

David Adams, 58, of Providence, formerly of Marion, was killed in a single-vehicle accident early Sunday morning on U.S. 60 West. His 2006 GMC pickup was found overturned just before 2 a.m. at the foot of Moore Hill. Adams was pronounced dead at the scene.

Students share state of education with board

By **ALEXA BLACK**
STAFF WRITER

Each year, parents, students and staff get an opportunity to meet face-to-face with the school district's decision-makers to offer a state of education update at a designated Crittenden County Board of Education meeting.

Nov. 13 marked the most recent Council of Councils meeting, allowing the delegation of those most affected by board decisions to offer an overview of accomplishments, give recognition and discuss the future of education in each school. It gives them a voice with the board of education in what they are currently proud of in the way of Rocket education. They also share where there is room for improvement.

Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark said that with many changes happening, the district's current theme of "Rocket Resilience" will help empower each student to build 21st century skills. "Rocket Resilience means a lot of things to different people, but to

us, it's all about fortitude and our staff and students overcoming adversity," Clark said. "Not only working through hard times, but learning from mistakes. Brandon Carlson spoke at the Veterans Day ceremony we had. Notice he had a long list of accolades, but there were some failures. That shows us that behind every success, there is something more to be learned from your failures."

Carson, a Crittenden County native and West Point graduate, was the featured speaker at the school system's annual tribute to veterans the day prior.

In the midst of the school year and with a long list of new hires totaling 30 new staff members, a central focus has been on highly qualified staff to ensure children connect to an adult with strong content knowledge and support for student learning. Keeping students engaged is important for the schools, said Clark, especially when standards-based grading is being introduced, tak-

ing the place of traditional grading. With standards-based grading, students are given more meaningful feedback to help accelerate learning, the superintendent explained. Instead of giving simplified scores like 8-of-10 or 85 percent, teachers give students input on the tasks performed and skills needed for improvement to reach the next level.

"It's a shift in thinking," Clark said. "It is putting learning central. When you put that standard in your work components, it becomes more about student learning than just the grade they get. Moving forward, I think it is very important we embrace it and see how it will enhance their learning."

Traditional grading has proven to be problematic for students learning at different rates, he added. Some would be disengaged due to the pace being too slow, while other students may be puzzled due to the course progressing too quickly. But in a learning environ-

ment guided by standards-based grading, teachers better understand how to help with student learning. They are able to customize the students' lessons and offer them level-appropriate work based on their progression.

"Going to standards-based grading has been a change for parents, and even teachers weren't sure of which direction they wanted to go," Crittenden County Elementary School Principal Jenni Gilkey said. "But the teachers embraced it, and got together to make it work for the students. The first nine weeks of our parent nights, we have had positive comments. Credit goes to the teachers, but also the parents of these students for being so deeply involved and wanting to be informed on how it will affect their kids."

The school announced it has also applied and received the Striving Readers Literacy grant and partnered with the Collaborative Center for Lit-

eracy Development. This includes the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, which is a book gifting program that mails free books to children who have yet to enter kindergarten in participating communities. The school was once affiliated with the program but had to cut back due

to funding, though they are now able to reinstate the Imagination Library.

"Kids from birth to age 5 get a new book mailed to them every month" Assistant Superintendent Tonya Driver said. "It's going to help parents understand how to read to their kids to get them ready for school and influence these young minds into education."

At the Council of Councils meeting, students were asked to pinpoint what they were satisfied with about their school and include areas of improvement needed. Many students felt the educators were doing their part in encouraging them to learn.

In terms of satisfac-

tion, students said they were happy overall with the shift to A/B block scheduling this school year, a system that offers students more time each period across two days rather than having the same seven-period schedule each day.

They also enjoy the new goal-oriented instruction and believed educators are doing well at explaining to students why they are learning certain material, rather than just being instructed to learn it.

Things that are a cause for concern from students are the conflicting club hours and the structure for them. Students are dissatisfied not being able to be in multiple clubs due to them holding meetings at the same time.

While Crittenden County Schools believes giving students a voice is important, said Clark, the benefits for students come not only from us hearing them, but in how their instructors respond to the student voices and help make their ideas come to fruition.

U.S. 641

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wheel," said Todd. "Too many of us are multitasking at work and carrying distractions with us into the driver's seat."

Todd, who lives in Marion, said earlier this week that the road will not be open by Thanksgiving (today), the most recent projection. However, it could come before the end of November or in early December, depending on Mother Nature.

"If weather holds, they could be ready to go in a week or two," he said. "We'll be doing what we can to alert the public prior to the addition of traffic on the new highway."

Though not certain of the construction date, Todd said he believes Ky. 506 was the last new highway built in Crittenden County, perhaps completed in the 1950s. Other highways were upgraded years later, but motorists had been using those roads for years.

"I know several of our rural secondary roadways that had been gravel were paved in the 1960s, but that was

mainly adding asphalt surface to mostly existing gravel roadways," he explained.

Perhaps the biggest concern with the reconstructed U.S. 641 for motorists and transportation officials is at the new intersections. While stop crossings have been present for more than a year along the four roads – Weldon, Crayne Cemetery, Loyd and Lilly Dale roads – the new highway bisects, Todd knows most drivers have

not been heeding the warning while construction was underway. Once the highway opens, it will be imperative that motorists obey all traffic signs, as the flow along U.S. 641 will be traveling at a high rate of speed. The expected speed limit is 55 mph, but the wide surface and relatively straight path are likely to tempt motorists to drive faster.

"We have folks who have been crossing without stopping and looking due to the lack of cross traffic," Todd reiterated. "We'll have standard stop signs up at all of the intersections, if they are not up already. Stop signs mean exactly that, stop. I had someone run a stop

sign in front of me a few weeks ago at the U.S. 641/Ky. 91 intersection in Fredonia, so that's a constant problem all over."

Recent history has shown inattention along new intersections in the area can be deadly.

"If you'll recall, the first couple of years the U.S. 60 Morganfield Bypass opened there were a couple of fatal crashes due to drivers failing to stop on the cross roads or failing to see oncoming traffic," Todd added.

A recent National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study of police crash reports attributed 94 percent of all crashes to driver inattention. About 50 percent of urban crashes are at intersections and about 33 percent of rural crashes are at intersections.

As for animal hazards, the entire stretch of highway should be considered a deer crossing.

"We'll watch for locations that may require deer crossing signs," Todd said. "My guess is that we'll likely put one at each end of new U.S. 641 to start."

Deer are an ongoing issue all over, the spokesman added.

"In our last survey of reported deer collisions,

Crittenden only had about a half dozen police reports listing deer," he said. "That's kind of odd considering Crittenden County is among the top statewide for deer taking by hunters. There are likely a lot of unreported collisions involving deer."

Todd said the Crittenden County Highway Crew has picked up as many as 50 deer in one week at the peak of the season.

"That indicates to me there are a lot of deer-car collisions that go unreported," he concluded.

JEOPARDY

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may take an online test once a year to be considered for the show, which Guess has done nearly each of the last 10 years.

"They are picking me up at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, and it can go as late as 6 p.m. They film all five episodes of the week in one day," Guess said, speaking from Crittenden County Public Library,

where she is children's librarian and regularly hosts the bimonthly Trivia Night.

Her siblings Neil Guess and Elizabeth Guess, sister-in-law and best friend will be in the audience as her knowledge is tested in six categories each in the first and second rounds and then one question in Final Jeopardy.

"I have been trying to brush up on U.S. presidents, early American history, watching current episodes and old episodes of 'Jeopardy,' playing a

'Jeopardy' card game and reviewing my atlas and brushing up on Shakespeare and major characters, titles and basic plots," Guess said. It's nerve wracking, I can't possibly study everything."

An art major who got her master's degree in art history, Guess feels fairly confident in that subject area, as well as geography, literature and world history.

Guess' episode(s) of "Jeopardy" will air in mid-January.

SATURDAY

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community and school activities, said Chamber President Randa Berry. It's only natural that the Chamber wants to call attention to its place in the community, she added.

"There are only 50 goodie bags, so it's first come, first served," said Berry.

Berry said this is the third year the Chamber has sponsored Small Business Saturday in its current form. It is a day celebrated not only in Marion, but across the country to support small businesses and communities.

U.S. consumers have reported spending an estimated \$85 billion at independent retailers and restaurants since the Small Business Saturday concept went nationwide in 2010.

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GILBERT

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where he served as a doorman and greeter. He is survived by his wife Patty “P.J.” Gilbert, four children and three grandchildren. (See complete obituary, Page 7.)

Gilbert also brought joy and wonder to the faces of countless children over the years. His death left organizers of local Christmas events scrambling to find a new Santa Claus. For the last few years, Barry and his wife donned their own costumes to play Santa and Mrs. Claus in Marion’s Christmas parade and an event sponsored by the local Lions Club that allowed children to pass along their wish lists and have their photo made with Santa.

Military career

Born and raised in Crittenden County, Gilbert left his hometown to pursue a long career in the National Guard. He achieved the rank of colonel, the most senior field grade officer rank, just below general. His distinguished 29-year military career and commands took him throughout Kentucky and around the world. He served in armories in Marion, Hopkinsville, Paducah, Louisville and Frankfort, with his death felt in each of those areas. According to his obituary, he twice trained during the Cold War with units on the East-West German border.

Brig. Gen. Scott A. Campbell, another Crittenden County native who made a career in the Kentucky Army National Guard, credits Gilbert with righting the ship of B Co., 1st Battalion, 123rd Armor Regiment, a unit that had fallen on hard times after a once-proud history.

“They had discipline, accountability and morale issues, and to be honest, I was treading water my first two years in command before Col. Gilbert took command of the battalion,” Campbell eulogized Sunday at Gilbert’s funeral. “Then (Lt. Col.) Gilbert established a positive climate of making organizational change without destroying the goodness of the organization. He realized you didn’t need to destroy an organization to save it. Under (Lt. Col.) Gilbert’s leadership, B Co. began to thrive, which resulted in the company being selected as the best tank company in the 2nd U.S. Army.”

Giving back at home

Though most of his success in the Guard was achieved outside of Crittenden County, he refused to leave the community behind. Upon returning to live out his retirement back home, Gilbert turned his focus and dedication to his hometown.

“Col. Gilbert was like many of us that leave our home county to make a living,” said Campbell, who lives near Elizabethtown, Ky. “Unlike many of us that just live with the guilt of abandonment and try to still contribute – often feebly – from afar, Col. Gilbert retired back here (in Marion) and immediately became a key contributor to the community.”

Extension board directors named

Two new directors have been appointed to the Crittenden County Extension Service Board of Directors. At Tuesday’s Crittenden Fiscal Court meeting, magistrates approved Stuart Collins and Brandi Potter to replace Carolyn Belt and Barrett Belt, whose terms expired.

New library trustees were also named. (See story on Page 8.)

After settling back here, Gilbert looked to return to public service and follow in his mother’s footsteps by seeking a political office. His mother had served 18 years as circuit clerk in Crittenden County. Though her son’s run for county clerk was unsuccessful, he found a



Alexander

different way to help guide the community. He was soon hired as Marion City Administrator, with Mayor Mickey Alexander giving Gilbert the reigns of day-to-day city government. Alexander said Gilbert was a great fit for the administrative duties of the job, and lauds his organizational ability. In fact, he credits Gilbert for much of the success of Marion’s sesquicentennial commemoration in 2001.

“That’s something he could hang his hat on,” Alexander said of the city’s 150th birthday celebration.

But the unforeseen pressures of the job ran counter to Gilbert’s cheerful personality, the former mayor said. As city administrator, Gilbert took personally many of the complaints residents typically have of government. Alexander said the gripes began to wear thin on him, leading to Gilbert’s resignation.

Pride and patriotism

The former military officer did not shy away from working behind the scenes, though. In 2002, he organized a patriotic service that has been held each year since around Independence Day in order to recognize those on the front lines of keeping the nation and community safe – military and emergency personnel. The event was spurred by the 9/11 attacks the year before, and was a prime example of Gilbert’s love of country and community. He continued to plan the service each year, just a couple of years ago relinquishing those duties.

In 2002, Gilbert was named Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year for his efforts to serve the community, primarily for his tireless work with the sesquicentennial.

“Any time there was something to organize, he was a good choice,” said Alexander, an Army veteran

who pointed to Gilbert’s military-like approach to organization.

That same approach kept city hall running efficiently during his tenure as city administrator, City Treasurer Melinda Gipson said.

“Boy, he sure didn’t like you to be late,” Gipson said after Monday’s city council meeting. “He’d stand there looking at his watch as you came in.”

But Gilbert was not a hard man to like, even as someone who expected others to work hard. Campbell said scaring his charges into success was not Gilbert’s style.

“Col. Gilbert was not that kind of leader,” the general recalls. “You worked hard, and succeeded for him because you truly knew his heart was in the right place. He gained your cooperation through respect (with) an even temperament, consistency and mutual understanding.”

Most who recalled Gilbert in the days after his passing referred to his jovial attitude, infectious smile and engagement in conversation, which often showed a respectful interest in one’s personal life.

“Barry was a good friend, and I enjoyed knowing and working with him through the past 18 years,” said Brenda Underdown, who served with Gilbert on several functions to preserve local history, including Crittenden County Historical Society, with which Gilbert served as a director. “He loved our local history and was always willing to support and help with any project that the Society was a part of.”

At the same time he was donating countless hours organizing a 150th birthday celebration for Marion, he worked with Underdown and others to gather pictures and information for Crittenden County Historical Pictorial Book published in 2001.

“Always pleasant, always positive, always smiling,” Underdown recalls of Gilbert’s demeanor. “He will be missed in so many ways.”

Gilbert was laid to rest Sunday in Maplevue Cemetery.



Underdown

City OKs short list of street fixes

STAFF REPORT

After a month of deliberation, Marion City Council approved a short list of streets targeted for repairs ... next year. Atop the list is Oak Hill Drive.

At the October meeting, a list of 10 streets was presented by City Administrator Adam Ledford to the six council members for consideration of new pavement. The list, compiled by Utilities Director Brian Thomas, was ranked based on degradation and usage. Though no one lives on the street, Industrial Drive landed at No. 1.

Returning to the list Monday, the council shuffled the order of priority, placing a street that did not make the initial inventory at the top and bumping what was considered the biggest need off a short list of only three. Next up were Court Street behind city hall and Watson Street, which serves the nursing home.

With only \$60,000 of municipal aid available to make fixes across a 39-mile system of streets, the council is limited with what they can afford to repair. Because the temperatures have dropped and most asphalt plants are closed, no asphalt work will be done until spring.

Some residents of Oak Hill Drive have appeared at each council meeting since July, urging the city to make repairs to their street. They say the dead-end street is crumbling and buckling to the point that some cars scrape the pavement as they pass over a problem area.

The council approved 5-1 to put Oak Hill Drive atop the list, with Councilman Darrin Tabor dissenting. He did not give a reason, but earlier appeared to advocate keeping Industrial Drive on the list. That street serves two of Marion’s biggest employers in Siemens and

Par 4 Plastics, the health department, ed-tech center and a heavy flow of elementary school traffic.

Thomas said repairs to Oak Hill Drive to fix the primary problem area would be about \$1,000. If the street continues to degrade this winter, the segment can be stripped up and replaced with gravel for a temporary fix.

There was no estimate on the repairs to Court and Watson streets.

The council also re-touched on annexation. Early feedback from letters sent to residents of Airport Road to test the waters has been mostly negative, said Ledford. Of the 10 or so he has heard from, none are in favor. Mayor Jared Byford, however, said he has heard from two property owners who are OK with it.

The council is in only the consideration stage regarding annexation to generate revenue.

County spends \$45,800 on audits

STAFF REPORT

At Tuesday’s meeting of Crittenden Fiscal Court, magistrates begrudgingly approved more than \$45,800 to pay for two 2016 audits of Crittenden County Sheriff’s Department.

The audits are mandatory and were conducted by State Auditor Mike Harmon’s office, which is required by statute every four years.

The fiscal court was forced to pay for 705 audit hours at \$65 per hour. Magistrates, Judge-Executive Perry Newcom and County Attorney Rebecca Johnson all believe the cost is burdensome to counties when audits could be conducted cheaper by private sector accountants.

“This is just another

case of legislators not taking care of their business and stealing from counties,” Newcom said.

In other action:

- Crittenden County Detention Center reported monthly revenue over \$200,000 for the eighth time through the first 10 months of the year. There were 203 total inmates housed as of Tuesday. In October, a daily average of 12.61 of those housed at the jail were in on local charges.
- The fiscal court OK’d spending up to \$2,500 for an 8- by 12-foot office building at the county convenience center to keep work release inmate supervisors from weather extremes while stationed at the trash disposal site. The building will be purchased locally from Valley

View Windows or Express Storage Buildings.

- The purchase of three plows to outfit four-wheel drive pickups used by the county road department for snow removal was approved. They will cost a combined \$13,350 and will be attached to the trucks when it snows. Newcom said the pickups are as capable of removing snow from roadways as larger dump trucks.
- All of the county’s employees will soon be getting paid by direct deposit. Starting with the first pay period in 2019, no more paychecks will be written. Instead, funds will be electronically transferred into workers’ bank accounts. This will save the county time and money by eliminating the cost of checks.



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KyTC: Before holiday travel, check expiration of license

STAFF REPORT

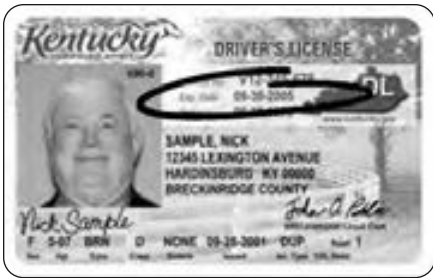
With large numbers of travelers expected to take to the skies and roads this holiday season, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) is encouraging license holders to check their card's expiration date to avoid delays at airport security checkpoints and possible citations on the road.

"Driver's licenses are a common form of identification used for domestic air travel, and checking the expiration date now can save travelers from being grounded during this prime travel time," said Department of Vehicle Regulation Commissioner Matt Henderson. "A quick check can also ensure motorists are not unknowingly driving with an expired license."

In late 2016, Kentucky quit mailing renewal notices to the commonwealth's 3.6 million license holders, saving the state about \$250,000 annually.

Prior to air travel, Kentuckians should check the expiration date on their license, permit or personal ID to make sure

it is valid for both their departure and return dates. Identity credentials can be renewed up to six months before the listed expiration date by visiting the circuit clerk's office in the cardholder's county of residence.



Identifying the expiration date now also helps cardholders interested in requesting a new Voluntary Travel ID – a REAL ID compliant Kentucky driver's license, permit or personal ID acceptable for air travel and restricted facility entry – know whether their renewal window occurs before federal enforcement begins Oct. 1, 2020. A phased, statewide rollout of the new standard and Voluntary Travel ID will begin in early 2019 and conclude in the spring.

Once implementation begins, all first-time cardholder applicants or

those requesting a Voluntary Travel ID will need to present documentation. KyTC has launched the IDocument Guide, an online interactive tool on Drive.ky.gov to help residents determine what documents they should gather before the rollout begins. The form guides visitors through a short series of questions to create a personalized list of documents to bring to the circuit clerk's office when applying for the card. The card will be received in the mail 5-10 business days later.

"This tool helps future applicants walk into the circuit court clerk office with confidence that they have the right documentation in hand by creating a tailored list of documents based on a range of individual considerations that affect what type of documents are necessary," said Henderson. "Sparing a few minutes now can really pay off later by avoiding unnecessary, repeat trips, and it helps residents begin the process of replacing or updating documentation before it's time to renew."

KyTC urging alternate holiday route to avoid I-24 work zone

STAFF REPORT

Lane restrictions along an Interstate 24 bridge are expected to cause lengthy delays for holiday travelers. In fact, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) is advising motorists to find an alternate route over the busy Thanksgiving travel period.

Current eastbound and westbound lane restrictions on the I-24 Tennessee River Bridge at mile-marker 30 will remain in place this week. While KyTC aims to lift work zone lane restrictions during holiday travel periods, maintaining the one lane restriction is necessary after unexpected construction delays during the installation of new joints on the bridge.

The eastbound and westbound lanes of I-24 in Kentucky are restricted to one lane with a 12-foot maximum load width restriction. This lane restriction between I-24 Exit 27 and Exit 31 means significant traffic delays are likely during peak driving periods throughout

Thanksgiving week.

While alternate routes may add several minutes of travel time, it may help motorists avoid delays of an hour or more when holiday traffic is heaviest.

Historically, the Thanksgiving holiday is one of the busiest and deadliest holidays of the year. With more travelers taking to the roads, chances are greater of encountering persons exhibiting unsafe driving behaviors.

In an effort to save lives and reduce injury-related crashes during the holiday season, the Kentucky State Police will be participating in the Operation CARE (Crash Awareness and Reduction Effort) Thanksgiving patrol blitz

that began Wednesday and runs through Sunday. This is a national effort by state agencies to increase officer presence on Interstate and U.S. highways across the nation during specific high crash periods.

Troopers will concentrate their holiday enforcement efforts on high traffic areas such as interstates and parkways, along with high crash locations. They will be observing for individuals exhibiting unsafe driving behaviors, such as speeding, reckless driving and impaired driving. This enforcement period will be highlighted by troopers aggressively targeting those people who choose not to wear seatbelts or use child safety restraints.

Newcom re-elected to mineral county org

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom was unanimously re-elected last week to the Kentucky Coal & Mineral County Coalition Board of Directors at the quarterly board meeting in Frankfort. He will serve through the 2019 calendar year.

"I'm honored to serve as Crittenden County Judge-Executive, and I am equally honored to be elected by my peers and serve our coal and mineral counties," said Newcom.

The coalition is a non-profit organization that provides a forum for respective counties where coal and minerals, like limestone in Crittenden County, are extracted. Its mission is aimed at addressing issues and opportunities in those regions of Kentucky, which are affected economically, socially and environmentally. It was formed in 1981.

"Judge Newcom brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the board of directors" said outgoing chairman and Hopkins County Judge-Executive Donnie Carroll.

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H&H small business of year finalist

STAFF REPORT

The national small business movement Independent We Stand announced H&H Supply of Marion is a quarterfinalist in the eighth annual Independent We Stand Independent Small Business of the Year or “Indie Award.”

Americans recently cast thousands of votes for 171 nominees during the nominations phase. The top 25 businesses garnering the most votes move on to the quarterfinalist round. This announcement precedes Small Business Saturday, encouraging holiday shoppers to support small businesses. Independent We Stand asks consumers to take it a step further by only supporting small businesses versus big box stores and national chains.

H&H Supply has operated independently in Marion since 2000, when it was opened by owners Alan and Stacy Hunt and Pippi and Phillis Hardin. Since that time, they’ve brought Alan’s daughter, Shanna West, on board, they’ve become Members of the Do It Best Corp. and have seen to it that H&H has grown into a local des-



H&H Supply in Marion is a quarterfinalist in the Independent We Stand Independent Small Business of the Year competition. Pictured above are (from left) Phillis Hardin, Shanna West and Alan Hunt of H&H Supply.

tinuation store for many of their customers home improvement and repair needs. They have been recognized in many ways for their commitment to customer service and community.

“We were pretty shocked to have made the top 25. It was the most exciting surprise,” said West. “We were up against some awesome businesses in some pretty big cities, and we thought it was a lot of

fun to just be part of it all. Just knowing that we had such an overwhelming base of local supporters voting every single day for us is enough of a prize; to feel like they appreciate us as much as we appreciate them. We just really want our customers and friends to know how amazing they are.”

“This year’s quarterfinalists represent the nation’s top 25 favorite independent businesses

who go above and beyond to support their local economies,” said Bill Brunelle, co-founder of Independent We Stand. “This award is our way of honoring the hard work they do every day to contribute to their communities.”

Voting is now underway at IndieBizAward.com through Dec. 16. Voters may visit the website to place up to three votes each day from the same IP address.

The 2018 Indie winner will receive prizes with a combined value of more than \$25,000, including:

- Branding, advertising and public relations makeover from independent advertising agency – The Meridian Group – valued at \$25,000.
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Fire damages Amish home last Thursday

STAFF REPORT

A fire last week in Crittenden County’s Amish community damaged a family home. The blaze created significant damage, but no one was injured and the home of Roy Byler and his family was still livable, said Crittenden County Volunteer Fire Department Chief Scott Hurley.

Firefighters were paged to the house fire on Mt. Zion Church Road in the northern part of the county just before 7:30 a.m. last Thursday. When firefighters arrived, said Hurley, neighbors using a pressure washer and fire extinguishers were already battling the flames.

“They had the fire pretty much knocked out by the time we got there,” Hurley said. “I doubt we even used 500 gallons of water.”

Hurley said the fire appears to have started in the attic, likely from the chimney. Part of the house had to be torn away to put out

the fire completely.

Mattoon Volunteer Fire Department also responded to the fire. By 8:50 a.m., firefighters were able to leave the scene.

Responding to the fire was made difficult due to the overnight snow that cancelled school in the county and made morning driving treacherous. A fire department tanker slipped off the roadway at one point, said Hurley, but was able to continue. He said the county’s road department helped by scraping slush off the roadway. The temperature at the time of the fire was just below freezing.

Hurley said this time of year, unfortunately, can be common for house fires due to chimneys not fully cleaned and improper use of space heaters.

“Space heaters need to be plugged in directly to the wall and space needs to be cleared around them,” the fire chief warned. “Just use caution around them.”

Marion parade will close U.S. 60; two others slated

STAFF REPORT

The City of Marion plans to close a section of U.S. 60 East/Main Street through downtown Marion for about one hour starting at 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 1. The closure is for the annual Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce Christmas parade.

U.S. 60 East will be closed from the intersection with U.S. 641/Gum Street eastward to the intersection with First Street. There will be no marked detour. Passenger vehicles may self-detour via side streets. There is no practical detour available for commercial trucks.

Marion Police Department, Crittenden County Sheriff’s Department and Crittenden County Rescue Squad personnel will provide traffic control during the closure of U.S. 60 for the parade.

Three area Christmas parades will be held within the next two weeks.

Marion

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce Christmas parade will be 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 1 along Main Street. This year’s theme is Sounds of Christmas. A grand marshal will be named next week. Prior to the parade, Crittenden County Lions Club will be hosting a snack with Santa from 2 to 4 p.m. at Marion Baptist Church. The event is free to the public, and families are invited to take photos with Santa at no charge.

Salem

The Lighted Christmas Parade, 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 8, Main Street. Franklin Stallion will be the grand marshal.

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Area Deaths

Gilbert

On the evening of Nov. 13, 2018, Barry E. Gilbert, beloved husband and father of four, died at the age of 71 in his hometown of Marion.

He was born on March 16, 1947, in Marion, that part of western Kentucky he would later describe to anyone he met as God’s Country. He distinguished himself here at an early age through a number of memorable events at Fohs Hall School. In first grade, his teacher had left the room, creating a leadership vacuum. At the urging of his classmates, he assumed that leadership position, and determined that everyone should leave. When he pulled the fire alarm, he evacuated the entire school. Another memorable event occurred on his 10th birthday, when he invited everyone in his class to his home for a birthday party... without alerting his parents beforehand. He led his singing band of friends marching to his home on College Street where his surprised mother scolded the birthday boy – but she also ran to the store for ice cream and treats.

Barry distinguished himself as a professional through his devotion to his country. As a member of the Kentucky Army National Guard, he served for 29 years in armories in Hopkinsville, Marion, Paducah, Louisville and Frankfort. As a full-time guardsman, he spent many weekends a month and many months a summer leading training exercises and maneuvers with the Armored Battalion. Twice he trained with units on the West Germany-East Germany border. His commitment to excellence and hard work drove him to lead by example, and he gained the trust of anyone who worked with him by never asking anyone to do anything he himself would not do. By the time of his retirement from active duty, he had achieved the rank of colonel, served as the state director of surface maintenance, sat on several national committees and earned numerous awards for meritorious service, commendation and achievement. For most of the last 40 years, his homes had flagpoles, and those flagpoles flew both the national and state flags.

He distinguished himself as an adult through his devotion to his family. His love and adoration for his parents and sisters brought him joy in childhood and inspired him as he and his wife Patty “PJ” started their own family. From their first date 50 years ago at the 88 Dip, through the numerous places they have lived, to fulfilling his lifelong dream of building a home on his family farm, they loved and adored each other and their children, persevering through good times and bad. If success is to be measured in the quality of the world one leaves for the next generation, then Barry and Patty have been wildly successful, raising children and grandchildren who are just as marvelous, just as hard-working, just as creative and just as attractive as their parents.

Also, Barry distinguished himself in “retirement” in so many ways. He served as city administrator for the City of Marion, and worked



for a time at Henry & Henry. He spent time driving members of the Amish community around the area, and loved sharing their jokes and stories. As a jolly old elf stepping in when Santa himself was unavailable, he donned the red and white uniform, tossing candy from the tops of fire trucks in local parades and listening intently to children’s requests for the holidays. On Sunday mornings, he enjoyed serving as a greeter at Marion Baptist Church, checking in on friends and neighbors. For many years, he organized and orchestrated a variety of patriotic services for the community, honoring and celebrating veterans.

Every morning he would call his sister Judy, and every week he would call his children. He remembered birthdays and anniversaries, sending cards and calling to “punish” you with his singing. Although he loved his family, he held a special place in his heart for his father’s Ford tractor, his own ’57 Chevy two-door hardtop, the Kentucky Wildcats, many baseball caps and walking sticks and all things chocolate including his faithful chocolate Lab Lucy.

Barry’s infectious laugh and outgoing personality will be sorely missed. He loved joking with the few people older than himself, and always enjoyed pointing out when he was the oldest person in the room. He adored small children, and jokingly pretended he could never remember their names. He enjoyed the company of others, and laughed loudest on his senior bus tours. He felt the importance of comforting others, and took seriously his role “working the door” at Gilbert Funeral Home, greeting everyone with a warm open spirit. And for those who always ask, the Gilberts of Gilbert Funeral Home are good friends, but no relation.

Barry’s friends and family had a startlingly wide range of nicknames and honors they bestowed upon him, including, but not limited to, Butch, Pop, Staaaanley, Pap-paw, Uncle Barry, Duke of Paducah, Kentucky Colonel, Honorary Captain of the Belle of Louisville and Honorary Knight of the Order of St. George. He was a very gracious host, and though he was very protective of his “toys,” he opened his home during the recent solar eclipse to a small platoon of friends and strangers from Louisville and Lexington – he even had enough room in his heart to let University of Louisville fans spend the night.

Surviving are his beloved wife Patty “PJ” (Perryman) Gilbert; a cherished sister, Judy (Gilbert) McDowell; children: Don (Misty) Gilbert, Chris (Helga) Gilbert, Wendy Gilbert and Fred Gilbert; grandchildren: Nick, Luke, Anna and Isabel; nieces, Angela McDowell and Rita (Armstrong) Schuessel; his cherished pet, Lucy, and granddogs, Roscoe, Sophie and Felix.

He was preceded in death by his dear parents, Crawford and Anna Gilbert; loving sister Barbara (Gilbert) Armstrong; and dear niece, Pamela (McDowell) Tindell.

Services were Sunday, Nov. 18 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion with interment at Mapleview Cemetery.

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Foreman

James H. “Bill” Foreman, 94, of Sturgis died Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018 at Lucy Smith King Care Center in Henderson.

He was a retired welder from Peabody Coal Company and had been a Kentucky State Trooper and a U.S. Army veteran, having served in World War II. He enjoyed boating, hunting, fishing, spending time at his cabin in Weston, carpentry and welding.

He was preceded in death by his parents Ressie and Frank Foreman; a son, Mike Foreman; a great-grandson Luke Whitsell; his brother Eugene Foreman; and sisters, Imogene Banks and Donna Foote.

Surviving are his wife of 71 years, Betty Foreman; granddaughters, Shanna Lovell and husband Danny of Sturgis and Missy Whitsell and husband John of Morganfield; great-grandchildren, Coul Holloran, Mason Holloran, Grace Holloran and Taylor Whitsell.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 17 at Whitsell Funeral Home in Sturgis with Rev. Rodney Raymond officiating. Burial was at Pythian Ridge Cemetery in Sturgis.



Butler

Monroe Butler, 93, of Marion died Wednesday Nov. 14, 2018 at Livingston Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Butler of Marion; three nieces; and a nephew.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Vera Butler; five brothers; and two sisters.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 17 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Mapleview Cemetery.

Little

Marie Little, 90, of Crittenden County died Sunday, Nov. 18 2018 at Morganfield Nursing & Rehab Center.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed painting and artwork. She was a member of Blackford Baptist Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Faye Holeman and husband Nicky of Sturgis; two sons, Dickie Little of Sturgis and Mark Little and wife Carolyn of Huntsville, Ala.; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by husband, Richard R. Little; and her parents, William Roland and Eula May Dalton Southerland; four brothers and sisters.

Graveside services were Tuesday, Nov. 20 at Crowell Cemetery in Crittenden County with Rev. Jerry Borders officiating. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church in Sturgis.

Press Obituaries

Most obituaries in The Crittenden Press are published at no charge. However, extended obituaries are available for a small fee. There is no charge for use of a photo. Please ask your funeral director about fee-based obituaries. Obituaries that appear in the paper are also accessible on the Web for free at The Press Online.

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Food bank to open Monday

Crittenden County Food Bank's next distribution day will be Monday. Due to an incorrectly published distribution date for November, some people may have missed out on Friday's giveaway. However, to compensate, food bank volunteer Fred Brown said a second distribution will be from 8 to 10 a.m. Monday at Crittenden County Assistance Center at 402 N. Walker St. in Marion. Food is handed out to residents of the county at risk for hunger. Next month's distribution is from 8 a.m. to noon Friday, Dec. 21 at the assistance center.

Burna Legion sends packages

Burna American Legion Auxiliary Unit 217 is looking for names and addresses to mail care packages to military members from Livingston and Crittenden County. Each December and as needed, the Legion honors those serving on foreign land. The organization is also looking for those serving in the United States. If you know of someone, please mail their addresses to American Legion Auxiliary #217 at P.O. Box 4, Burna, KY 42028. You may also send a message on Facebook to: American Legion Auxiliary Unit 217, Burna or kyma45@hotmail.com.

Library board sets meetings

Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees last week set its regular monthly meeting schedule for 2019. Crittenden Fiscal Court also approved two new trustees to fill expiring terms. On Tuesday, magistrates approved Wes Hunt and Brennan Cruce to fill vacancies left by outgoing trustees Daryl Tabor and Dulcie Hardin. Hunt and Cruce will be installed at the next regular board meeting on Thursday, Dec. 27. Terms on the volunteer board are for four years. Trustees typically meet the fourth Thursday of each month, but because of Thanksgiving, the November meeting will be moved up a week. All meetings begin at 5 p.m. in the library's meeting room and are open to the public. The 2019 regular meeting schedule is as follows: Jan. 24, Feb. 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, Aug. 22, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21 and Dec. 26.

Extension

– **Gingerbread cookie classes** will be held at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Monday at the Extension annex. The cost is \$2 and includes a batch of cookies to take home. Learn to decorate and enjoy cookies with hot apple cider. Prizes will be awarded for best decorated cookies. Call the Extension Office to register at (270) 965-5236. – **Quilt Club** will meet at 9:30 a.m., Monday at the Extension Office. – **Dog Club** meets at 3 p.m., Tuesday at the fairgrounds. – Sue Parrent will present a **Nutrition Education Class** at 10:30 a.m., Nov. 29 at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center.

Church notes

– The McNeill Family of Bailey, Texas will sing at **New Bethel Baptist Church**, 3140 U.S. 641 North in Eddyville at 10 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Sunday. A love offering will be received.

Friendly effort results in upgrades

The latest technology upgrades at Crittenden County Public Library (CCPL) come courtesy of its booster organization, the local Friends of the Library (FOL). FOL recently purchased three new computers for library patrons to use, replacing three old terminals used in the facility's bank of public internet workstations. The volunteer group spent \$1,500 on the hardware, which will provide more reliable, faster browsing for patrons. The library purchased a fourth computer to rotate out another aging terminal. According to the 2018 Kentucky Annual Report of Public Libraries, patrons logged more than 7,050 internet sessions in the last year at CCPL. FOL supports the library through dues to the organization and fundraising throughout the year. In addition to its financial contributions to the library, Friends routinely donate time to help with library events. The Friends' latest fundraiser is a raffle for a University of Kentucky blue rocking chair. The chair is on display inside

the library, and tickets can be purchased at the checkout counter. An open house at the library conducted by the FOL is set for Saturday, Dec. 1, the day of Marion's nighttime Christmas parade. The event will run from 2 p.m. until parade time at 5 p.m. Warm drinks and refreshments will be offered in the library meeting room. The facility's bookmobile will also be participating in the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce-sponsored parade. This year's parade theme is Sounds of Christmas.



Crittenden County Public Library patrons are benefiting from three new computers purchased by the Friends of the Library. Pictured alongside one of the new terminals is Friends President Brian Hodge and Library Director Brandie Ledford. Also pictured is a University of Kentucky rocking chair being raffling.

Engagement



Huddleston - Sutton

Rob and Mi'Chell Huddleston of Eddyville announce the engagement of their daughter, Colie Huddleston, to Warron Sutton, son of Quin and Amye Sutton of Eddyville. Miss Huddleston is the granddaughter of Georgia Foster of Princeton, Rick and Becky Blanchard of Gilbertsville, and Encil and Sharon Huddleston of Dawson Springs. She is a 2016 graduate of Lyon County High School in Eddyville; a 2018 graduate of Murray State University with an associate's degree in science; and is attending Liberty University for a bachelor of science degree in biblical and educational studies. She is employed by Christ Tabernacle Church in Princeton as the children's minister. Mr. Sutton is the grandson of Ronnie and Jo Patton of Eddyville and Leon and Carolyn Sutton of Eddyville. He is a 2012 graduate of Lyon County High School and a 2016 graduate of Murray State University with a bachelor of science in Chemistry. He is employed by Lubrizol in Calvert City. The wedding will take place at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at Christ Tabernacle Church in Princeton. Friends and relatives are invited.

Senior Center

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. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include: The center is closed until Monday due to the Thanksgiving holiday. – Monday: Menu is meat balls with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned peas, whet roll and tropical

fruit. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness begins at 9:45 a.m. – Tuesday: Menu is tomato chicken parmesan with noodles, cucumber salad, whole wheat roll and peach cobbler. – Nov. 28: Menu is pork roast, baked sweet potato, black-eyed peas, carrot raisin salad and cornbread. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m. The center will be closed Nov. 22-23 for Thanksgiving. All menu items are subject to change based on availability. PACS provides milk, coffee, tea or water each day.

CCHS principal speaks to Woman's Club of Marion

Amanda Irvan, principal of Crittenden County High School, was the speaker for the Nov. 13th Woman's Club of Marion meeting. The Springfield, Ill., native was employed by Trigg and Marshall county school systems before coming to Crittenden County. After serving one year as CCHS assistant principal, Irvan was hired as principal for the 2018-2019 school year. Irvan's goals for the high school include continuing to grow community partnerships with CCHS, allowing students to maximize opportunities for real world experiences and ensuring students are graduating with necessary skills and knowledge for success. Club members were informed about the new Rocket Graduate Profile and its six core elements which include communication skills, creativity, critical thinking, self-motivation and academic mindset. Club member Brandi Rogers gave a presentation on the Distinguished Young Women's Program which includes local, state and national level participation. The program is focused on inspiring high school girls



Crittenden County High School principal Amanda Irvan addresses members of the Woman's Club of Marion.

to develop their full, individual potential by experiencing workshops in life skills, interviewing, talent, fitness and self-expression. The club voted to sponsor the local program pending approval from the Crittenden County School Board. Brandie Ledford and Mary Beth Gobin, co-chairs for the Christmas Chocolate Candy Trays, distributed order forms, and announced due dates. Twelve-inch candy trays will sell for \$25 and 16" trays for \$30. Due date for all orders is 1 p.m., Dec. 7. Pick-up and delivery will be at the club building at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., Dec. 14. Delivery is limited to inside the city limits. Trays can be ordered from any club member or by contacting Ledford at the public library. The club's holiday outing will be Dec. 1 to the Harper House in Cadiz. The next club meeting will be 1 p.m., Feb. 6 with Serena Dickerson providing the program. The hostess committee door prize was won by Carolyn Belt.

Submit local events

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



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Talented Rockets face a Fifth that is tougher than most

STAFF REPORT

The Fifth District is generally a high-yielding opportunity for a basketball team fairly rich in talent. There aren’t too many years that the division – made up of some of the smallest schools in the region – has a fighting chance on the broader basketball scene, but this might be one of them.

Rocket basketball coach Denis Hodge likes his team. He likes his team’s chances of being very competitive by the time postseason arrives. And, he’s confident that it can be competitive against some of the more traditional powers in the Second Region.

In any given year, a team with those credentials might be the clear favorite for a district crown. Crittenden is also the defending Fifth District Tournament champion, for just the third time ever. The Rockets will no doubt be in the chase for another title, but it’s not going to be easy considering the lay of the land.

“The Fifth District is about as strong as it has been, top to bottom, in the last five or six years,” Hodge says.

Lyon County, the team Crittenden upset in the district tournament championship last winter, is the odds-on favorite with Gabe Board



Denis Hodge
8th-year coach

Rocket Results UNDER COACH HODGE	
2011-12	11-20
2012-13	15-16
2013-14	9-21
2014-15	16-12
2015-16	5-24
2016-17	7-24
2017-18	7-20
CAREER TOTAL	70-137

back for his senior season and a host of talented players around him. Trigg County has Kendrick Adams, its freshman phenom, and although Livingston lost lots of talent, it returns enough to bear watching. Board and Adams are clearly among the region’s best players and there are several others around the Fifth District who will undoubtedly esteem themselves this season – and Crittenden

County is not without those who are among them.

Beyond the strength of the district, Crittenden will have plenty to worry about. The team is highly dependent on athletes who also played football. Crittenden is coming off a long, successful season that saw its squad play for the regional championship for the second straight year. Bumps, bruises, aches, pains and sometimes broken bones will be rolling from the football field and onto the court in the coming days, and the Rocket basketball skipper understands the need for patience during the process.

Sophomore Preston Turley will be a key figure once again this season, but don’t look for the 6-foot-4 center to see the floor in the first couple of weeks. He broke the fibula in his left leg on Sept. 7 during the football season and had surgery shortly thereafter. Turley recently was released to begin basketball workouts, but Hodge says it will be a while before his sensational sophomore is ready for game-speed action.

Turley is one of the leading returning scorers and top rebounder. He averaged 10 points and eight boards a year ago when the Rockets lost every regular-season district game, then “upset

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the apple cart” as coach Hodge puts it, in the district tourney.

Turley had a very good summer, improved his ball-handling skills and continues to work farther and farther from the basket to add versatility to his game.

“He’s already one of the best rebounders in the region,” said his coach, “and now he can step out and play the two or three spot if he needs to.”

Senior Sawyer Towery is the team’s best returning scorer. He dropped in 11 points a game last year and grabbed four rebounds.

“When he’s hot, Sawyer is one of the most elite shooters in the region,” Hodge said.

A fierce competitor, Towery is the grandson of a former NBA player, the late Carlisle Towery, and

son of former Rocket basketball coach Rob Towery.

The senior guard/forward is just as good going to the basket as he is taking aim from long range.

Sophomore Gabe Mott has grown seven inches from the start of last season and put on several pounds. He will be back at the point for a second straight season and it’s not likely teams will be able to physically push him around like they did some last year.

“You will also see more floor coaching from him this time,” the skipper said.

Junior Erik O’Leary got extended playing time over the summer and in preseason workouts,

which has improved his game markedly, Hodge said. O’Leary is a streaky shooter that can drop three-bombs in rapid fire succession when he’s on a roll, and now he’s improved his driving and finishing at the basket. O’Leary will fill a key role this season, especially early in the season as some of the football players work their way into basketball condition.

Sophomore Tyler Boone has completely remade himself physically over the past couple of years, the coach said. A strong work ethic has helped Boone turn himself into a much faster, stronger and more athletic player and he will be

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The 2018-19 Lady Rockets are pictured (front from left) Lilly Perryman, Ashton Binkley, Ashley Wheeler, Shelby Summers, Chandler Moss, Kacie Easley, Matthia Long, (back) head coach Shannon Hodge, assistant coach Bristyn Prowell, Riley Smith, Addie Hatfield, Lilly Hayes, Jaelyn Duncan, Kate Keller, Nahla Woodward, Grace Driskill, Taylor Guess, Natalie Boone, Allie Geary, Macie Hunt and managers Abbie Kirk and Emily West.

Lady Rockets expect fertile ground in district

STAFF REPORT
The Fifth District will be fertile ground for the Lady Rockets to continue a long streak of successful seasons, despite having a very young lineup. Two seniors – one a first-year player – alongside a couple of untested juniors and a bushel basket load of sophomores will make up a majority of Crittenden County’s girls’ basketball hopes. And if that isn’t youthful enough, pencil in a couple of middle schoolers who are likely to see a great deal of playing time.

For most coaches, it would be a recipe for rebuilding, but not for longtime skipper Shannon Hodge. She’s been on the frontline of the Fifth District since she starred as a Lady Rocket back in the early to mid 1980s. She knows exactly what it takes to compete and has a comprehensive understating of the league. “In the district it’s going to be a war every night,” said Hodge, who begins her 26th season as the girls’ coach. Next year, she joins former football coach Al Starnes as the longest serving sports mentors in school history. “I don’t think there is any one favorite in the district,” Hodge contin-



Shannon Hodge
26th Season
Regional Tournament
Berths 7 out of last 10 years

ued. “Every team lost some big players.” Crittenden and Lyon have slugged it out the last few years for the district championship. Crittenden finished first or second seven out of the last 10 years, advancing to the regional tournament in those seasons and winning the Second Region title in 2011. The Lady Rockets have gone to the regional tournament the past four seasons. Crittenden has won back-to-back Fifth District Tournament titles. To continue that streak, coach Hodge says her girls will need to find some scoring amidst some young players and

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Under Coach Hodge	
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2001-025-20
2002-036-18
2003-0412-13
2004-0511-16
2005-0616-10
2006-076-20
2007-0813-12
2008-0911-9
2009-1013-14
2010-1121-9
2011-124-24
2012-134-23
2013-147-18
2014-1516-12
2015-1615-16
2016-1725-8
2017-1815-14
Total297-369

create offensive opportunities through an aggressive defense. With some size in the middle and acceptable athleticism, this team isn’t afraid to play in a half-court set, but it will most likely thrive on something a bit different. “We will be searching for our identity, especially early on,” said the

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coach, pointing out that the team’s point guard is still playing middle school games and hasn’t spent too much time working out with her varsity teammates. Eighth-grader Taylor Guess came on strong toward the end of last season, making her mark in the district tournament with some dramatic foul shots in a championship victory over Livingston Central. Guess is a cool customer with the ball, remarkably so for just an eighth-grader. Clearly coach Hodge has the utmost confidence in Guess, giving her the reigns to the team after proving she was worthy during summer league play. “She can score from

anywhere on the floor and has a very good basketball I.Q.,” the coach said. When she’s not on the floor, another middle schooler, Natalie Boone, will likely be on the point. Boone is a very good perimeter shooter. Crittenden will have most of its experience right around the basket with senior Shelby Summers working at the forward spot and sophomore Nahla Woodward at center. Although Woodward would be considered youthful in some camps, the 10th-grader is quite seasoned after playing a starting or regular role on the team since she was in seventh

grade. Woodward is an imposing physical presence in the low post but don’t be surprised when she bounces up top to knock down a three. Coach Hodge says Woodward may indeed be the team’s best long-range shooter. Woodward averaged eight points and eight rebounds last season, but will have to be a more double-digit contributor this go-round in order for the Lady Rockets to win a third straight district title. Summers has played a key role on the team the last couple of years and will be called upon to

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Player	Games	FGs	FG %	3-Pointers	3p %	FT	FT Avg.	Pts.	Pts. Avg.	Reb.	Reb. Avg.
Hunter Boone	25	48-117	41.0	23-75	30.7	8-8	100.0	127	5.1	50	2.0
Tyler Boone	26	38-122	31.1	8-38	21.1	44-80	55.5	128	4.9	121	4.7
Gabe Mott	27	65-165	39.4	9-44	20.5	59-85	29.4	198	7.3	55	2.0
Erik O'Leary	23	12-41	29.3	11-35	31.4	0-0	-	35	1.5	9	0.4
Sawyer Towery	25	88-233	37.8	55-147	37.4	41-54	75.9	275	11.0	102	4.1
Preston Turley	27	101-181	55.8	2-4	50.0	66-102	64.7	269	10.0	209	7.7
Sean O'Leary	24	8-21	38.1	0-1	0.0	0-6	0.0	18	0.8	27	1.1
Braxton Winders	24	4-24	16.7	0-5	0.0	10-17	58.8	18	0.8	26	1.1
Jayden Carlson	22	7-26	26.9	2-11	18.2	7-15	46.7	23	1.0	18	0.8
Ben Dobyns	2	1-2	50.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	-	2	1.0	1	0.5
Preston Morgeson	1	0-3	0.0	0-2	0.0	0-0	-	0	0.0	2	2.0

Rocket Roster				
Name	Number	Grade	Height	Weight
Boone, Hunter	32	12	5'10	205
Boone, Tyler	25	10	6'1	190
Carlson, Jayden	23	11	6'2	175
Dickerson, Gavin	10	12	6'0	210
Mott, Gabe	4	10	5'10	160
O'Leary, Eric	2	11	6'2	145
O'Leary, Sean	11	12	5'10	190
Towery, Sawyer	3	12	6'0	180
Turley, Preston	31	10	6'4	195
Winders, Braxton	12	10	5'10	185
Morgeson, Preston	1	8	5'8	145
Guess, Seth	5	8	5'8	140
Head Coach: Denis Hodge. Asst. Coaches: Ken Geary, Gaige Courtney, Ethan Hill. Video Tech: Lance Kayse, Managers Sadie Pile, Charity Conger.				

Crittenden County Rockets Schedule 2018-19				
Date	Time	Opponent	Teams	Location
Nov 20	6:00	Hickman	V JV	Away
Nov 27	6:00	Webster	JV V	Home
Nov 30	6:00	Trigg	GB	Away
Dec 4	6:00	Caldwell	GB	Away
Dec 7	6:00	Lyon	GB	Home
Dec 8	4:00	Stewart Co. TN	GB	Home
Dec 11	6:00	CFS	JV V	Home
Dec 14	6:00	Livingston	GB	Away
Dec 15	12:00	Hardin Co. IL	JV V	Home
Dec 18	6:00	Henderson Co.	JV V	Away
Dec 20-22	Hancock County Holiday Tournament			
Dec 28	4:00	Cheatham Co. TN	V	Stewart Co.
Dec 29	12:00	Sycamore	V	Stewart Co.
Jan 4	6:00	Lyon	GB	Away
Jan 11	6:00	Trigg	GB	Home
Jan 12	12:00	Hardin Co. IL	JV V	Away
Jan 15-18	All A Classic vs Lyon at Lyon/ Final Rounds at Dawson			
Jan 21	6:00	Community Christian	JV V	Home
Jan 22	6:00	Union County	JV V	Home
Jan 25	5:30	Ft. Campbell	F JV V	Away
Jan 29	6:00	Marshall County	JV V	Away
Feb 1	6:00	Livingston Central	GB	Home
Feb 5	6:00	Caldwell County	JV V	Home
Feb 7	6:00	Dawson Springs	JV V	Home
Feb 8	6:00	St. Mary	GB	Home
Feb 12	6:00	Central Hopkins	GB	Away
Feb 15	6:00	Ft. Campbell	GB	Home
Feb. 18-22	District Tournament at Livingston Central			

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a main attraction for the Rocket basketball team this season. Boone was the team's JV Player of the Year last season and he averaged five points and five boards a game on the varsity squad. Once he's full tilt from football, and fully recovered from a football hip injury, Boone will see those numbers go up.

Hunter Boone, the school's record-setting quarterback, will bring his leadership qualities back the hardwood this winter. He's a pure shooter, and the coach says the offense runs much more effectively when Boone's talking and orchestrating on the floor.

Another football crossover who's back for basketball is senior Gavin Dickerson. He blew an ACL in football last year and missed his junior year on the basketball court. As a sophomore, he was a key figure in the low post and would have been the leading returing scorer last season had he not

been injured.

Junior Jayden Carlson and sophomore Braxton Winders bring two different styles to the Rocket bench. Carlson is long, lanky and fast and will see time in the post. Winders is very physical and is quite versatile. Another football moveover, Winders can play any position on the floor.

Senior Sean O'Leary is coming over from football and he's big, strong and moves well for a big guy. He's a blue collar basketball player that brings some intensity to the lineup.

Junior Ben Dobyns and eighth-graders Preston Morgeson and Seth Guess will be key JV contributors and could eventually see some spot varsity action.

The Rockets open Tuesday with a long road trip to Hickman County in far western Kentucky. The road may be shorter, but it will be plenty tough when the Rockets play their second game of the year on Tuesday, Nov. 27 at home against Webster County. Then the Fifth District schedule begins with a trip to Trigg County.

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Ashton Binkley	7	1-3	33.3	0-1	0-0	0/0	2	0.3	4	0.6
Jaelyn Duncan	14	6-20	30.0	0-0	6-10	60.0	18	1.3	26	1.9
Kacie Easley	8	2-5	40.0	0-0	1-2	50.0	5	0.6	6	0.8
Lilly Hayes	8	1-6	16.7	0-0	1-5	20.0	3	0.4	4	0.5
Kate Keller	7	4-7	57.1	0-0	0-0	0.0	8	1.1	5	0.7
Matthia Long	26	10-30	33.3	0-0	5-28	17.9	25	1.0	34	1.3
Chandler Moss	29	45-106	42.5	0-0	20-39	51.3	112	3.9	142	4.9
Lilly Perryman	8	2-11	18.2	0-0	0-0	0.0	4	0.5	9	1.1
Shelby Summers	29	73-170	42.9	1-3	22-59	37.3	169	5.8	106	3.7
Nahla Woodward	29	86-246	35.0	6-18	41-75	54.7	219	7.6	222	7.7
Natalie Boone	8	2-6	33.3	0-0	0-0	0.0	4	0.5	3	0.4
Taylor Guess	19	9-35	25.7	0-0	20-29	69.0	38	2.0	37	1.9
Grace Driskill	4	2-5	40.0	0-0	0-0	0.0	4	1.0	3	0.8
Addie Hatfield	2	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

LADY ROCKETS SCHEDULE					
Mon.	Nov. 26	Ft. Campbell	VG	Away	6:00
Fri.	Nov. 30	Trigg Co.	VG/VB	Away	6:00
Sat.	Dec. 1	Ballard Co.	JV/V	Home	3:00
Tues.	Dec. 4	Caldwell Co.	VG/VB	Away	6:00
Fri.	Dec. 7	Lyon Co.	VG/VB	Home	6:00
Sat.	Dec. 8	Stewart Co., TN	VG/VB	Home	4:00
Tues.	Dec. 11	Dawson Springs	V/JV	Home	6:00
Fri.	Dec. 14	Livingston Co.	VG/VB	Away	6:00
Mon.	Dec. 17	Carlisle Co.	JV/V	Home	6:00
Wed/Sun.	Dec. 19-23	KSA Christmas Tournament - Orlando, Florida			
Fri.	Jan. 4	Lyon Co.	VG/VB	Away	6:00
Sat.	Jan. 5	Lyon / Livingston	JV	Home	12:00, 2:30
Tues.	Jan. 8	Dawson Springs	V/JV	Home	6:00
Fri.	Jan. 11	Trigg Co.	VG/VB	Home	6:00
Thur.	Jan. 17-19	All A Classic 1st Round Bye / Rocket Arena			
Tues.	Jan. 22	Mayfield	JV/V	Away	6:00
Fri.	Jan. 25	Union Co.	JV/V	Home	6:00
Sat.	Jan. 26	Caldwell Co.	JV/V	Home	6:00
Tues.	Jan. 29	Hardin Co., Ill.	JV/V	Home	6:00
Fri.	Feb. 1	Livingston Co.	VG/VB	Home	6:00
Sat.	Feb. 2	Paducah Tilghman	JV/V	Home	4:00
Tues.	Feb. 5	Caldwell / Trigg	JV	Caldwell	5:30, 6:30
Fri.	Feb. 8	St. Mary	VG/VB	Home	6:00
Sat.	Feb. 9	Union Co.	V/JV	Away	6:00
Tues.	Feb. 12	Hopkins Central	JVG/VG/VB	Away	5:00
Fri.	Feb. 15	Ft. Campbell	VG/VB	Home	6:00

CRITTENDEN COUNTY LADY ROCKET BASKETBALL ROSTER 2018-19				
Player	No.	Gr.	Ht.	Pos.
Shelby Summers	21	SR	5'6"	F
Ashley Wheeler	-	SR	5'7"	F
Ashton Binkley	4	JR	5'4"	G
Jaelyn Duncan	22	SO	5'8"	F
Kacie Easley	41	SO	5'5"	G
Allie Geary		SO	5'7"	F
Lilly Hayes	13	SO	5'6"	G
Kate Keller	20	SO	5'8"	F
Matthia Long	35	SO	5'6"	F
Chandler Moss	23	SO	5'5"	G
Lilly Perryman	25	SO	5'5"	F
Nahla Woodward	44	SO	5'8"	F
Grace Driskill	5	FR	5'8"	F
Natalie Boone	11	8th	5'6"	G
Brylee Conyer	-	8th	5'4"	G
Taylor Guess	10	8th	5'6"	G
Addie Hatfield	12	8th	5'7"	F
Macie Hunt		8th	5'0	G
Riley Smith		7th	5'3"	G
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GIRLS

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help control the boards. She has an uncanny ability to be where the ball is and her offense is improving. Summers averaged four rebounds and six points a game last season.

Chandler Moss averaged four points and five rebounds last season, but the coach expects those numbers to increase this time. Moss is one of nine sophomores on the roster and she is a returning starter.

"She's our spark," Hodge said, explaining that Moss is a defensive specialist first, but will be called upon to add to her offensive game, which she's worked specifically on during the offseason.

Another sophomore Matthia Long is another one who doesn't mind mixing it up around the basket. Defensively she plays hard all of the time and will be a strong rebounder.

Three more sophomores, Lilly Hayes, Lilly Perryman and Jaelyn Duncan will have regular roles. Hayes is long,

ROCKET RADIO

On the Air

WMJL's River Country 102.7 will once again be broadcasting Rocket Basketball on the radio. The station will broadcast district games, the All A Classic and post-season tournaments, plus other selected contests. Taylor Davis, Keith Davis and Chris Hardesty will call the games.

strong and plays good defense. Hayes is another defensive specialist off the bench and Perryman is a pretty good shooter out to about 15 feet.

Freshman Grace Driskill has a ton of energy on the court. The coach calls her an "Ener-gizer Bunny."

"She runs the floor like crazy and isn't afraid to take the ball."

The girls open play on Monday at Fort Campbell, a team CCHS has owned the last few seasons. Then it's straight into district play at Trigg County. The team will also be playing in Florida over the holidays.

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Coach Sean Thompson gave a passionate post-game speech to his team after Friday's loss. Watch it on our Facebook Page. More than 5,200 people already have.



Senior Gavin Dickerson and sophomore Caden McCalister (above) converge for a tackle and (at right) senior QB Hunter Boone needed a moment after the contest to gather his thoughts.



FOOTBALL

Playoffs at a Glance

Class A Playoffs

Last week's scores

Campbellsville 26, Crittenden 21
Beechwood 49, Frankfort 8
Raceland 14, Paintsville 7
Pikeville 57, Williamsburg 16

State Semifinal Round

This week's games

Class A Playoffs

Campbellsville (11-1) at Beechwood (10-2)
Raceland (11-2) at Pikeville (10-2)

Class 2A Playoffs

Mayfield (13-0) at Walton-Verona (11-2)
Christian Aca. (13-0) at Somerset (11-2)

Class 3A Playoffs

LaRue County (8-5) at Central (11-2)
Boyle County (13-0) at Corbin (12-1)

Class 4A Playoffs

Franklin-S'pson (12-1) at Taylor Co. (12-1)
Knox Cent. (10-3) at Johnson Cent. (12-1)

Class 5A Playoffs

So. Warren (13-0) at So. Oldham (12-1)
CovCath (13-0) at Pulaski Co. (11-2)

Class 6A Playoffs

Trinity (7-6) at Male (12-1)
Madison Cent. (10-3) at Scott Co. (10-3)

OUTDOORS

Hunting Seasons

Deer Archery	Sept. 1 - Jan. 21
Turkey Archery	Sept. 1 - Jan. 21
Raccoon Hunt	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Deer Crossbow	Nov. 10 - Dec. 31
Deer Rifle	Nov. 10 - 25
Squirrel	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Raccoon Trap	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Bobcat Trap	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Fox Hunt/Trap	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Dove	Nov. 22 - Dec. 2
Duck	Nov. 22-25
Canada Goose	Nov. 22 - Feb. 15
Snow Goose	Nov. 22 - Feb. 15
White Front Goose	Nov. 22 - Feb. 15
Bobcat Hunt	Nov. 24 - Feb. 28
Duck	Dec. 3 - Jan. 27
Deer Muzzleloader	Dec. 8-16
Dove	Dec. 22 - Jan. 13
Deer Youth Free	Dec. 29-30
Raccoon Youth	Dec. 29 - Jan. 4
Fox Youth	Dec. 29 - Jan. 4
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Goose Conservation	Feb. 16 - March 31

Crittenden top in state harvest after week one

Crittenden County hunters got off to a somewhat sluggish start to the rifle season, but have caught up rapidly, taking over the No. 1 spot on the state's harvest leaderboard. Crittenden hunters had taken 2,468 deer through the second weekend of modern gun season. Hardin County and Breckinridge are not far behind as the state's only other two counties with harvest figures beyond 2,400 deer. Crittenden County riflemen took 897 deer between the first Monday of gun season and the second Monday, about 36 percent of the entire harvest so far this year by all weapon methods. Buck totals make up 49 percent of the total harvest so far. The rifle season winds down over the Thanksgiving weekend, finishing up on Sunday.

BASKETBALL

Crittenden Middle School

Results This Week

Dawson 25, Crittenden 23
7th Boys: Travis Champion 8, Jaxon Hatfield 2, Micah Newcom 10, Tyler Belt 3.
Crittenden 42, Dawson 32
8th Boys: Preston Morgeson 19, Seth Guess 8, Evan Belt 2, Kaleb Nesbitt 2, Travis Champion 11.

Rocket dream ends at Campbellsville, 26-21

It was an epic season for first-year coach Sean Thompson, his 13 seniors and a Rocket football team that lost only twice in 13 weeks. Yet in the end, it was a Campbellsville junior who stopped the magical fall run.

Campbellsville's Malachi Corley was the go-to guy when the host Eagles needed big plays down the stretch in a Class A state quarterfinal battle between the No. 5 and No. 6 teams in the state. Corley and Campbellsville prevailed 26-21, but the Rockets poured every ounce of energy into the game's full 48 minutes. Thompson, the first Crittenden County alumnus to be head coach of the Rockets, praised his boys for their accomplishments. He told them in a post-game speech that they had united a community, captured the imagination of football fans young and old and had become one of those Rocket football teams that undoubtedly will go down in the annals of CCHS football lore.

"We won like men all year. This is the hard part. We have got to do this like men, too," Thompson said. "Good things in life end, but this is one of the greatest seasons Crittenden County has ever had."

As a throng of parents, fellow students and fans gathered around their Rockets on the field after the heartbreaking loss, Thompson spoke to his team with emotion and passion.

"Look around you, look at what ya'll did. Ya'll did this. Be proud of that," he said, pointing to the massive crowd of Rocket fans who drove three hours to the game. The CCHS fans outnumbered the host fans 2-to-1.

Thompson challenged his underclassmen to continue putting the work necessary to regain same magic that this year produced 11 victories – tying the second most in a single season ever.

The game was tight from start to finish. Campbellsville

Live Debut

The Crittenden Press in conjunction with the CCHS Tech Department streamed Friday's football game live on YouTube. Almost 3,000 views have been recorded. The replay is still available at the Rocket Football Website, along with volumes of other information such as all-time records, history of the program and contemporary statistics.

scored late in the second period to lead 7-0 at the break. The teams combined for 11 punts in a first half that was virtually a stalemate, other than on the scoreboard.

The Eagles took the second half kickoff and marched down field for their only sustained drive of the game. Senior running back Charlie Pettigrew punched it in from 14 yards. That 14-point margin disappeared quickly as Rocket senior Devon Nesbitt scored on a six-yard run and classmate Payton Riley caught a nine-yard pass from senior quarterback Hunter Boone to start the final quarter. Riley had recovered a fumbled punt a few plays earlier to set up that touchdown pass – Boone's first of two scoring strikes in the game despite struggles against Campbellsville secondary and a steady rush that afforded him precious little time in the pocket.

Corley – one of the most heralded juniors in the state who's drawing attention of Division I teams like Duke – took the Eagles on his shoulders in the fourth quarter, scoring twice. Once on a 73-yard kickoff return then again on a tackle-breaking 47-yard run.

With the Rockets' backs against the wall, trialing 26-14 with less than a minute to play, Boone struck again. This

Best Rocket Seasons

1985 . . .13-1	2002 . . .10-3
1996 . . .10-2	2008 . . .10-4
1998 . . .11-2	2009 . . .10-3
1999 . . .10-2	2018 . . .11-2

time finding his sophomore brother, Tyler Boone, over the middle. After the catch, Tyler Boone dodged, dipped, leapt over and outran the entire Eagle defense en route to the end zone. That brought the Rockets to within five, but a last-ditch onside kick was successfully covered by Campbellsville and the Eagles were able to run out the final 41 seconds in victory formation.

"Last year they thrashed us. This year they snuck away," Thompson said, pointing to Crittenden's 44-8 loss in 2017 to the Eagles in the same round of the playoffs – the regional championship game.

Nesbitt, who has gained the nickname Mr. Six for his record-setting career touchdown mark, finishes his career as the third most prolific running back in school history, just 26 yards behind No. 2 all-time, Ronnie Moss. Boone has shattered nearly every passing record in his career as a three-year starter and senior Ethan Dossett has done the same in receiving numbers. It has unquestionably been a storybook – and record book – run for the Rockets.

Campbellsville advances to play Beechwood this week in the state semifinal round.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Crittenden Co.	0	0	7	14
Campbellsville	0	7	7	12

SCORING PLAYS

Camp-Malachi Corley 15 run (Mark Rigsby kick) 2:33, 2nd
Camp-Charlie Pettigrew 14 run (Rigsby kick) 7:45, 3rd
Critt-Devon Nesbitt 6 run (Parker Johnson kick) 4:58, 3rd
Critt-Payton Riley 9 pass from Hunter Boone (Johnson kick)

10:02, 4th
Camp-Corley 73 kickoff return (kick failed) 9:48, 4th
Camp-Corley 47 run (run failed) 4:58, 4th
Critt-Tyler Boone 59 pass from H.Boone (Johnson kick) :41, 4th

TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: Crittenden 10, Campbellsville 8
Penalties: Crittenden 6-62, Campbellsville 7-40
Rushing: Crittenden 42-186, Campbellsville 35-180
Passing: Crittenden 3-21-3, 78 yds., Campbellsville 7-16-0, 35 yds.
Total Yards: Crittenden 264, Campbellsville 215
Fumbles/Lost: Crittenden 0-0, Campbellsville 2-1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing

Crittenden: Nesbitt 34-152, Caden McCalister 2-8, Xander Tabor 2-13, H.Boone 4-13. Campbellsville: Corley 12-94, Pettigrew 13-63, DeaSean VanCleave 4-16, Reggie Thomas 2-1, Blase Wheatley 1-7, Arren Hash 3-(-1).

Passing

Crittenden: H.Boone Passing: Crittenden 3-21-3, 78 yds. Campbellsville: Hash 7-16-0, 35 yds.

Receiving

Crittenden: T.Boone 1-59, Branan Lamey 1-10, Riley 1-9. Campbellsville: VanCleave 3-0, Thomas 2-20, Corley 1-11, Wheatley 1-4.

Defense

Dickerson 3 solos, assist, TFL; Dossett 2 assists; Joyce 3 solos, 2 assists; Lamey 3 solos, assist; O'Leary 2 solos, 5 assists; Porter solo; Riley solo, assist, fumble recovery; Guess solo; Jones 4 solos, assist; 2 TFLs; T.Boone 9 solos, 2 assists, 4 TFLs, sack; Easley 3 solos, 3 assists, TFL, sack; McCalister 4 solos, 5 assists; Tabor 6 solos, TFL; Winders 3 solos, assists, TFL.

Players of the Game Offense Devon Nesbitt; Defense Tyler Boone and Xander Tabor; Lineman Jake Gibson.

Records: Crittenden 11-2, Campbellsville 11-1

Basketball Cheer!

Crittenden County High School cheerleaders for the upcoming basketball season are (front from left) Kaylee Conger, Addyson Faughn, Hadlee Rich, Hannah Faughn, Jessie Potter, Ryleigh Tabor, (second row) Kirsten DeBoe, Cortne Curnel, Jenna Potter, Sydney Cooms, Hannah Cooksey, Shelby Brown, Jaylin Blackburn, Madison Johnson, (back) Kenlee McDaniel, Taylor Stoner, Belle Minton, Raina West, Josie Tapp, Trinity Hayes, Calie Brown and Morgan Johnson.



Soccer Awards

Crittenden County High School soccer team held its awards ceremony last weekend. Among those honored were (front from left) Shelby Summers, Leadership Award; Ashley Wheeler, Offensive Award and MVP; Hannah Easley, Defensive Award; (back) Hannah Harrington, JV Defense Award; Leah Long, JV Most Improved; Maggie Blazina, JV Coach's Award; Jaelyn Duncan, Coach's Award; Allie Geary, Keeper Award; Raven Hayes, JV Offense Award; Taylor Guess, JV MVP, and Kali Champion, Hustle Award. Not pictured were Taylor Stoner, Most Improved Award; Emilee Russelburg, JV Hustle Award; Destiny Knight, JV Keeper Award and Lyli Wesmolan, JV Offense Award.

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All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executrix with will annexed on or before 14th day of May, 2019 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-22-c)

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Suggses adoptive family of year

STAFF REPORT

A Crittenden County family was named 2018 Adoptive Family of the Year in the three-county judicial circuit, underscoring the month of November's focus on the need for fostering and adoption in Kentucky.

Howard and Willa Suggs were honored Friday by 5th Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers for creating a family of 10 adopted children over the last two decades. The recognition came on the eve of National Adoption Day and prior to Judge-Executive Perry Newcom's proclamation of November as Adoption Awareness Month in Crittenden County.

"So many children need a home," said Rogers, who had multiple adoption hearings scheduled for Friday. "Today is to recognize families that bring children into their home."

The Suggses married in 1996, but were unable to conceive children.

"Our story is like so many others," said Willa, speaking after her family was recognized, "there were rounds of fertility treatments."

In 2000, they were approved as foster parents.

"I am impatient and just wanted to be a mom," said Willa, a special needs adoption coordinator.

Willa and Howard Suggs, a world civilizations teacher at Crittenden County High School, started off with a pair of



The Suggs family of Crittenden County was named last week as the 5th Judicial Circuit 2018 Adoptive Family of the Year. Pictured above are (from left) Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers and the Suggs family of Aerie, 11; mother Willa; Brooklyn, 5; Adam, 13; Cameron, 15; Jacob, 14; father Howard; Cassie, 17; and Destiny, 20. Not pictured are Johnathan, 23; Trevor, 23; and Veronica, 25.

foster children that eventually turned into 10. Those 10 then became their very own after formal adoption procedures were completed. Their children now range in age from 5 to 25.

"I can't imagine my life without children," said Willa. "They are beautiful."

Rogers said Kentucky needs more couples like the Suggses. There are currently 9,551 children in foster care in the commonwealth, with 2,883 of those with a goal of adoption. More than half of those, or 1,538, are legally

available for adoption.

That's why Rogers and her staff have organized Adoption Day events since 2015, a year after she was elected judge. And she urges families to consider adopting or fostering children in their own county.

"It's tough for kids that have to change schools when I have to place them in other counties," the judge said.

Five thousand children were adopted last year on National Adoption Day, held each year on the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Seventy thousand have been adopted on the adoption weekend since 2000. Currently, there are 117,000 children waiting to be adopted in the United States.

"We need more families for these kids," said Ashley Gamblin, supervisor for the 17 counties of the Lakes Region of the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS).

She said families are encouraged to foster or adopt children. If neither

of those, she hopes individuals will donate, educate or advocate in order to help children awaiting placement.

So far in 2018, 100 children have been adopted in the Lakes Region.

Informational meetings on fostering or adopting children are held at 5:30 p.m. at the Hopkinsville CHFS office at 115 Hammond Drive on the following dates: Dec. 18 of this year and next year on Jan. 5, Feb. 19, April 16, May 21, July 16, Aug. 20, Sept. 17 and Oct 15.

Pre-service classes to meet requirements for adopting or fostering are slated for next year from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at locations to be determined on the following dates:

- Feb. 19 and 26 and March 5, 12 and 19.
- May 14, 21 and 28 and June 4 and 11.
- July 23 and 30 and Aug. 6, 13 and 20.
- Oct. 15, 17, 22 and 29 and Nov. 5.

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Sheriff Wayne Agent

Fill the Humvee nearing

Fill the Humvee, a holiday food, coat and toy drive for local families, is nearing. The annual Christmas charity is a joint effort by Marion Police Department and Cash Express.

Fill the Humvee will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 10 at Cash Express on Morningside Drive

at Darben Plaza in Marion. New toys, coats and non-perishable food items will be accepted to benefit underprivileged families in Crittenden County.

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