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Christmas parades taking shape

Marion's annual Christmas parade will take place after dark on Saturday, Dec. 5 along Main Street. Shelly Davidson of Partners Insurance Agency, which is sponsoring the lighted parade, said Tuesday that about two dozen entries have registered so far. The grand marshal will be announced in next week's issue of The Crittenden Press.

Salem's annual lighted Christmas Parade will be the following weekend, Saturday, Dec. 12. The parade starts at 5:30 p.m. along Main Street.

Many offices shut Friday for holiday

All city, county and state offices in Crittenden County will be closed today (Thursday) until Monday for the Thanksgiving holiday, including the Extension service and senior center, as well as Crittenden-Livingston Water District in Salem. Post offices, though, will be closed only today for Thanksgiving. Meantime, Crittenden County Public Library will be closed today and Friday, but will be open its usual half-day on Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Crittenden Press will also be closed today and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

December should see bridge progress

Last week's soggy weather delayed progress on repairs to the bridge over Caldwell Springs Creek

along Main Lake Road in southern Crittenden County, keeping the road closed for a couple more weeks. Crittenden County Road Department Foreman Audi Maraman said he expects the bridge to be completed and the road reopened sometime next week, weather permitting.

The decking is being replaced and concrete work on the approaches has to be completed before the road can re-open to traffic.

Meantime, work to replace the county's last wooden bridge on a public roadway is tentatively slated to begin early next month. That bridge is on White Road in the eastern portion of the county.

Meetings

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

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Yooper trooper

Upper Peninsula native Graves settling into KSP, Kentucky living

STAFF REPORT

The new state trooper assigned to Crittenden County knows he's going to fit right in despite being a "Yooper."

"Yooper" is a term - somewhat akin to yankee - that applies to folks hailing from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, also known as the "UP."

"This is the farthest south I've ever been," said Brian Graves, a 23-year-old graduate of the Kentucky State Police Academy.

And, yes, he's a Michigan Wolverine fan. And a hockey enthusiast. The Detroit Red Wings are his team, and he hopes to catch a game in nearby Nashville, Tenn., or St. Louis.

Graves is the first trooper assigned specifically to Crittenden County - other than homegrown Trooper 1st Class Darron Holliman - since Brent



Graves

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Turkey talk

2nd graders offer holiday cooking tips

It's difficult to think of anything more traditional on Thanksgiving in America than turkey and the fixings with the family gathered around the table.

But after almost 400 years since the first Thanksgiving on our shores, methods for cooking the holiday bird are as varied as the make-up of our country's population. While slow-roasting in the oven seems to remain the preferred method, in recent years, deep frying has become popular. But one Crittenden County Elementary School student has his own unique method:

"First, you shoot a turkey. Next, you clean the turkey. Then, you boil it in a

pot. Last, you can cut it into strips and put ranch on it," offers second-grader Quinn.

In fact, The Crittenden Press asked all second graders at CCEs for their turkey recipes, and local students' directions on "How to Cook a Turkey" are no less entertaining than those read long ago each Thanksgiving season by the late Johnny Carson on "The Tonight Show."

While some students prefer to cook their turkeys on a low heat, like 6 or maybe 15 degrees, others preferred a

flash-roasting method, though most conventional ovens don't reach 700 degrees. A few young chefs would opt to shoot and kill their own turkey, though not forgetting to shave the bird before cooking it.

Eggs seemed to be a popular stuffing, and jalapenos even made the mix. Butter, salt and pepper to taste. And don't forget dessert and a prayer.

Following are instructions on How to Cook a Turkey in the words of a few

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Student input helps guide school district

Last Thursday, Crittenden County Board of Education held its semi-annual Council of Councils meeting at Rocket Arena. The Council of Councils meeting provides open dialogue between school-based decision-making council members, student council representatives from each school, principals, administrators, the superintendent and elected board of education members in order to highlight current events and what's forthcoming for the district. It's also an opportunity for the students themselves to lend their voices to what they enjoy about their school experience and what they feel can be improved upon. Superintendent Vince Clark emphasized the importance of engaging and empowering each student in their educational experience at Crittenden County Schools. Above, Crittenden County Elementary School student Natalie Boone (right) explains an idea to Principal Melissa Tabor. Also pictured are students Brilee Crittendon (green), Brylee Conyer (white) and Hattie Hatfield (denim), Board member Phyllis Orr (second from left) and teacher Tammy Brantley.

This year's buzz word not even a word at all



It's always interesting to see our vocabulary evolve. As the parent of a teenager, you've probably found yourself a bit perplexed by their use of certain terms, seemingly out of context, as you pick up on the latest slang.

In the 1970s, "groovy" was the buzz word. "Cool" became a word of the 1980s, applying to all things hip or popular, but definitely not defined by something coming out of the fridge. Today, you're likely to hear your teen talk about something that is "hype," "savage" or "legit."

As our language changes and definitions of words are upgraded - or downgraded by

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

To their own pleasant surprise, Lynsey and Charlie Day welcomed their son Brody (right) into the world following the adoption of Parker.

National Adoption Month

Double blessings: Pair of cousins' pregnancy miracles follow adoptions

By ALLISON EVANS
ADVERTISING MANAGER

Pregnancy after adoption. It happens more often than you might think.

Coincidentally, it happened to a pair of first cousins who grew up in Crittenden County.

Both Lynsey Taylor Day and her cousin Cori Davidson Farrar first became mothers after taking differing paths to adoption. Both were happy and fulfilled at the blessing that adoption had bestowed upon their families. The Days adopted a newborn, while the Farrars chose the foster-to-

adopt route, which allowed two brothers to live in their care until their adoption was complete.

In each couples' case, they were able to conceive naturally - unexpectedly - within a year after their adoptions.

PUSH

Lynsey and her husband Charlie knew God answered their prayers with the birth of their adoptive son Parker on Jan. 2, 2013. Fast forward nine months and they had what Lynsey calls a miracle - a pregnancy that brought

them Brody.

"I tell Parker he's my answered prayer and Brody is my miracle," she said recently. "Parker was our answered prayer and our reward for waiting, and Brody was just the icing on the cake, and I believe a little extra something special from God!"

After four years of unsuccessful infertility treatments, a miscarriage and an attempt at IVF in which her mother Robyn offered to be the surrogate, the couple turned to

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Public library saves readers estimated \$670,000 annually

STAFF REPORT

Librarian Regina Merrick says the public library in Marion is one of the greatest values in the community.

Merrick gave her annual Crittenden County Library Report to the Crittenden County Fiscal Court last week. She said the impact of the library on lives of local citizens is "priceless."



Merrick

However, to more precisely quantify the library's impact, she pointed out that the nearly 35,000 books borrowed from the facility over the last year accounts for about \$670,000 in savings to area residents.

"If they bought those books they would cost at least \$20 each and most books are more than that," Merrick said. "The value we get as a community is about three times the tax we collect for the library."

County property owners are levied 5 cents for every \$100 of assessed property value. That money goes directly toward operation of the library. Last year, the library's tax revenue was \$235,152.

"A library is 'The Great Equalizer,'" Merrick told magistrates last week. "No matter where you are on the socioeconomic scale, we're all the same at the library whether you're looking up information on the stock market or looking for a job. People come to the library for recreation, information and education. It's all there at the library."

The library is perhaps the only public place where citi-



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Last Thursday, Crittenden County Attorney Rebecca Johnson gave the oath of office to Crittenden County Public Library trustees Brad Guess and Brenda Underdown. Guess was re-appointed earlier this month by Crittenden Fiscal Court after finishing an unexpired term left vacant when former library board Chair Brandi Rogers was elected 5th Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge. Underdown, who had served on the board several years ago, was appointed to replace outgoing Chair Linda Myrick. Others on the board include Vice Chair Daryl K. Tabor, Treasurer Cletus Hunt and Secretary Dulcie Hardin.

zens can use computers connected to the Internet. Many government forms require on-line registration nowadays.

Merrick's report shows that last year, there were 7,168 computer sessions at the library. That equals about 20 a day. Merrick said the value of Internet access is difficult to enumerate, however, if it was \$10 a session that would be over \$70,000 in savings to the community. There is no

charge for using the computers at the library.

Last year, the library loaned out 4,679 DVDs. Had those families gone to the video rental store, or purchased from an online source, they would have paid up to \$4 a movie, according to the librarian's report.

Some other interesting library numbers from last fiscal year ending June 30:

- 880 magazines read.

- 1,233 audio books borrowed.

- 518 people attended library programs.

- There were 24,879 library visits.

- The meeting room was used 104 times.

Merrick said 39 percent of the county's residents are registered library cardholders. There are 3,554 personal cardholders on file at Crittenden County Public Library.

Livestock report

Livingston County Livestock Market, Ledbetter
Precondition Feeder Calf Sale | Cattle weighed at time of sale

Nov. 20, 2015										7	400-450	430	185.00-195.00	187.83
Receipts: 994										14	450-500	456	177.00-184.00	182.78
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Legend: VA=Value added, LD=Low dressing, HD=High dressing, BX=Brahman X.

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Source: Kentucky Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture Market News, Frankfort, Ky
www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/SV_LS166.txt

This report reflects price of majority of cattle with a USDA grade, weight and sex on sale date. This report does not represent all animals at sale.



Quality Day Care selling, Bright Beginnings to open next week

STAFF REPORT

While a new daycare center is set to open in Marion next week, the only private daycare currently in operation is on the block.

Pat Winn, owner of Quality Day Care off Country Club



SUBMITTED PHOTO

5th Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers (right) held a balloon release Friday on the lawn of the Crittenden County Courthouse to celebrate National Adoption Day, which was Saturday. Fifth Judicial Circuit Judge Rene Williams, Department for Community Based Services employees, Crittenden Circuit Clerk employees, local churches and adoptive families, joined Judge Rogers in what she plans to make an annual celebration of adoption.

ADOPT

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GLAD Adoption Agency in Evansville, Ind. The Christian-based agency requires counseling for birth mothers and insists adoptive parents be Christians who attend church regularly. It also limits adoptive mothers' work outside the home to 15 hours a week.

GLAD requires families to prepare portfolios of photos depicting family activities and letters to prospective birth mothers explaining their stories.

"Our process in total took about six months. A normal domestic adoption usually takes anywhere between 10 to 24 months to make a match," Lynsey said. "(The speed of the process) is one of the many reasons why I know for a fact that adopting Parker was God's will."

Though they have no contact with the biological mother, the Days do send photos through the agency upon request.

Lynsey wrote about her infertility struggles and adoption anticipation in a blog she titled PUSH.

"While going through our infertility journey I was reading a Karen Kingsberry book about a character who wore a bracelet with the letters PUSH, which stood for Pray Until Something Happens. The moment I read that I knew that would be our motto for this journey," Lynsey said. "I knew that was what it was going to take, I would pray until something happens."

"My blog started out as

more of a way to tell our hilarious encounters, and it actually turned into a beautiful way to tell our story that touches me every time I read/write it and also a story of hope for others who may be going through infertility."

Farrar baby makes five

After seven years of trying to conceive, Cori Davidson Farrar and her husband Michael, who live in Missouri, finalized the adoption of two boys ages 4 and 20 months. Their path was through the social service department's foster to adopt program.

The Farrars were the boys' first experience in foster care after being removed from their home for neglect and/or abuse.

"We looked into foster to adopt when my former boss told me that she fostered to adopt," Cori recalls. "She asked me to come into her office one day and said that she felt God was leading her to encourage me to look into foster to adopt. At that point she didn't know anything about our story of infertility so I knew God was at work!"

After taking classes and obtaining a license to become foster parents, the Farrars sought God's guidance, which eventually led to the adoption of the boys, who are now 7 and 5 years old.

"A year (after the adoption) we found out we were expecting. I was in complete shock when I became pregnant," Cori said.

"God had given me a peace and contentment when we adopted our boys and I thought our family was complete. God had other plans for our family and I'm glad he

did."

On Nov. 8, Decker Clyde Farrar was born.

Day baby makes four

Parker Day was nine months old when the Days found out Lynsey was pregnant.

"I'd like to say we were excited, but in all honesty based on previous experience we knew I'd more than likely miscarry. It wasn't until my eight-week appointment that our doctor told us we had a 98 percent chance of having a successful pregnancy that we started to get excited."

Today the Day household is bustling with activity, with two small boys 17 months apart.

"If I've learned anything, it's that God's timing is always perfect. If I would have had my way I would of never had Parker and I can't imagine my life without him. I would go through every heartache, failed test, miscarriage all over again if it led me to Parker and Brody," Lynsey

said.

"God knew Parker needed us and that we needed Parker. He has had that all planned out since the day I was born."

It depends on who or when you ask if the Days would consider expanding their family, either naturally or through adoption.

"I personally want to adopt again. It's something that's so special to me. There's something beautiful about the adoption process, the love, the trust and the beauty of loving a child that you did not carry," Lynsey says. "There's a saying by Jody Landers that says "a child born to another woman calls me mom. The depth of the tragedy and the magnitude of the privilege are not lost on me."

Right now the Days are content to wait and see what God has planned for their family.

"One thing we've learned, His plan is far better than any we could ever imagine," she said.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Marion native Cori Davidson Farrar and her husband Michael welcomed newborn Decker Clyde to their family on Nov. 8, three years after adopting Andrew, 7, and Seth, 5. Like her cousin Lynsey Taylor Day, Cori believed she was unable to get pregnant, leading to adoption. While pregnancy after adoption may be a rare occurrence, it is not unheard of. November is National Adoption Month in the United States.

BUZZ

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some standards – Oxford Dictionaries is on the scene to monitor the situation and present a word of the year.

Last year, it was "binge-watch," or the act of watching episode after episode of your favorite television series, most likely from Netflix or modern digital recording mechanisms.

But this year the word of the year isn't even a word.

True story.

Not surprising since our language is developing to the point that we're speaking without words. Instead we react with emojis, little yellow faces that depict emotion. There is the heart eye emoji, the wink face emoji, the angry emoji, the shocked emoji – all used to convey feeling via text message or online messaging.

Oxford Dictionaries' Word of the Year for 2015 is the Face with Tears of Joy, aka, the laughing crying face emoji.

Emoji, if you are wondering, is derived from the word emoticon, or a facial expression comprised of keyboard characters, like a smiley face made by using a colon for eyes and an end-parenthesis for a smile, such as this:).

As parents, we're a bit confused as we attempt to communicate in a day and age where cool doesn't mean cold and savage doesn't mean brutal. So honestly, it might be easier to get the true meaning of a text message from your child if you're seeing little yellow faces depicting an emotion.

Seems lots of text conversations include an emoji of varying facial expressions and symbols, whether for sports, transportation, holidays and special occasions – so it is really any wonder that the 2015 word of the year isn't even a word at all?

Not really.

Apparently the Face with Tears of Joy was the most used emoji globally in 2015.

From the Oxford Dictionaries website, here are some runners-up for Word of the Year and their definitions.

- "ad blocker," noun: A piece of software designed to prevent advertisements from appearing on a web page.

- "Brexit," noun: A term for the potential or hypothetical departure of the United Kingdom from the European Union, from British + exit.

- "Dark Web," noun: The part of the World Wide Web that is only accessible by means of special software, allowing users and website operators to remain anonymous or untraceable.

- "on fleek," adjectival phrase: Extremely good, attractive, or stylish.

- "lumbersexual," noun: A young urban man who cultivates an appearance and style of dress (typified by a beard and check shirt) suggestive of a rugged outdoor lifestyle.

- "refugee," noun: A person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution or natural disaster.

- "sharing economy," noun: An economic system in which assets or services are shared between private individuals, either for free or for a fee, typically by means of the Internet.

- "they" (singular), pronoun: Used to refer to a person of unspecified sex.

So there you have it, a brief lesson in linguistics, 2015 style.

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Adoption celebrated locally

STAFF REPORT

A first-ever Adoption Day Celebration was organized by the 5th Judicial Circuit County Family Court, which serves Crittenden, Union and Webster counties.

November is National Adoption Month, and this year, National Adoption Day was celebrated Saturday. Thousands of adoptions are finalized in courtrooms all across the United States on this special occasion.

On Friday, 5th Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers and other organizers participated in the celebration by doing a balloon release on the court square in Marion, giving recognition to a local adoptive family. There were representatives from the Foster Care Review Board, Kentucky Department for Community Based Services (DCBS), local government and

church families.

"When we do adoption proceedings in our court we get to see love in action," Judge Rogers said. "The act of adopting is under recognized and underappreciated. We hope to change that."

DCBS is the primary adoption agency in Kentucky. In 2012, 780 children were adopted from foster care in Kentucky. However another 1,999 children in Kentucky Foster Care were waiting to be adopted. The longer these children remain in foster care waiting to be adopted the less likely it is they will be adopted. Then for those that are never adopted research shows many will face obstacles such as homelessness, unemployment, early parenting and substance abuse.

"Every adoption is such a special occasion," Judge Rogers said.

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8TH GRADE COURT

Members of the eighth-grade homecoming court are flower girl Mollie Blazina and crown bearer Caden Blazina, (from left) Jenna Potter, Jaimie Burt, Queen Kyron Hicks, King Tanner Way, Gavin Davidson, Ethan Shaffer, Josie Tapp and Hayleigh Bradham.



7TH GRADE COURT

Members of the seventh-grade homecoming court are (from left) Taylor Stoner, Caden McCalister, Prince Tyler Boone, Princess Ashlyn Hicks, Gabe Mott, Lance Kayce, Cameron Howard and Lily Atchison.




6TH GRADE COURT

Members of the sixth-grade homecoming court are William Watson, Trace Derrington, Hayden Adamson, Duke Luke Crider, Duchess Raina West, Courtney Fulkerson, Hadley Rich, McKenzie Quertermous and Ryleigh Tabor.

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**Happy birthday
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November 29**



This gorgeous amaryllis was given to me by Mrs. Ethel Tucker several years ago. This past spring, it blossomed out in it ravenous beauty, just like its giver has blossomed year after year for 98 years. Sunday is Ethel Tucker's birthday, and I would like to wish the lady I call the "gracious, classic Queen of Main Street" a happy birthday. She and her late husband Thomas are to credit for our community having so much history preserved for us.

— Lucy Tedrick

Black Friday SALE
Small Business Saturday



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Taverns, distilleries once thrived in Marion

Did you know that Marion once had a whiskey distillery?

It was housed in the old tan yard building that was located where Conrad's parking lot is today. The distillery, as did the tannery and later the Bigham flour and feed mill, used the water from the gushing spring that was located there.

Let's take a look back at some of the taverns and the colorful history surrounding this era in our past. As always, the wet-dry issue was very controversial.

There is no comparison between the beer joints and saloons of today and the mid-19th century tavern. One hundred fifty years ago, a tavern was a rest stop for weary travelers. The taverns served meals, provided overnight lodging and stabling for their animals and sold the "spirits" in the same manner, as does a modern supermarket in a wet territory.

Since a tavern was such an asset to the reputation of a state, Kentucky law required that each applicant apply for an annual \$10 tavern operation license, furnish proof of his good reputation and his ability and intention of performing full normal services and furnish a \$100 performance bond.

On Sept. 9, 1844, John S. Gilliam was issued a license to keep a tavern in his home in Marion. It is quite likely that Gilliam did this only with the intention of providing what in those days was considered a necessity to a new town, for he could not have had more than two guest rooms in his one-story cabin.

E.A. Calvert built on the northwest corner of Salem and Fords Ferry streets, which is the site where Marion's fire station is today. This building became Calvert's Tavern, the second tavern and first real hotel in Marion.

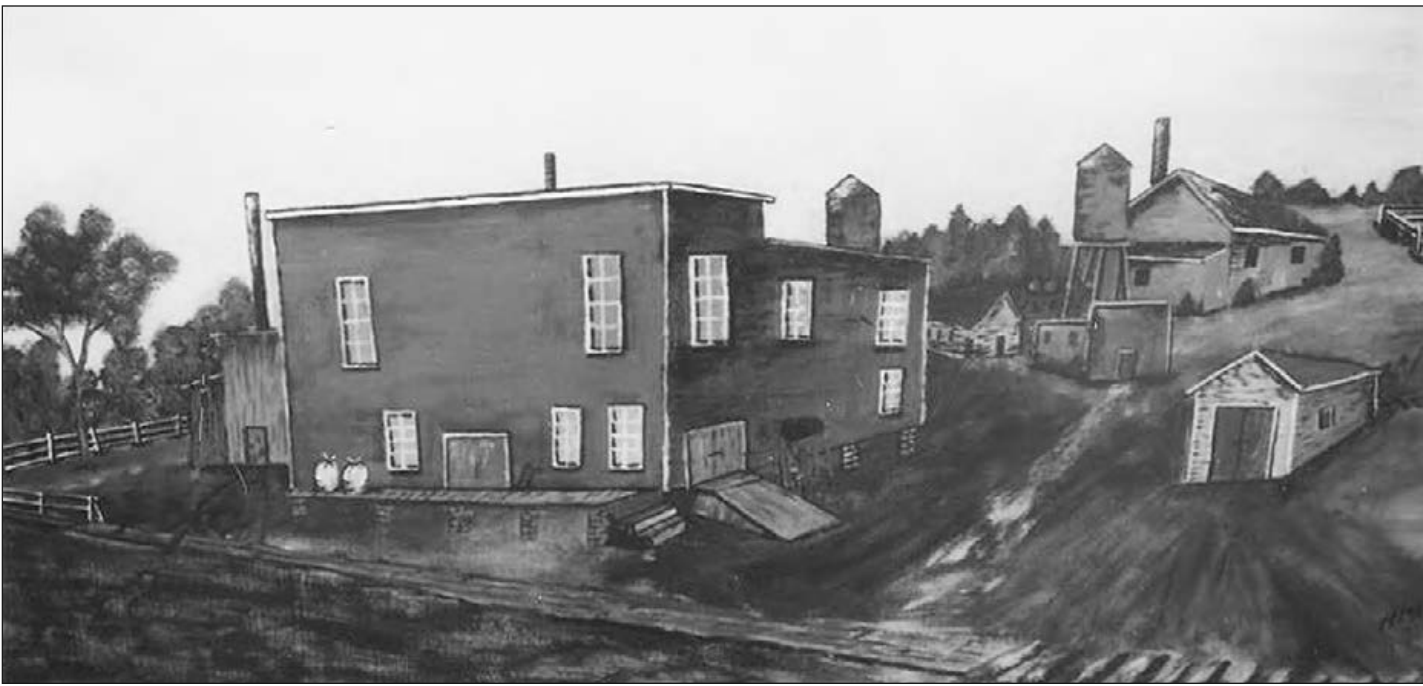
On Feb. 9, 1846, John W. Williams rented this building and was issued a license to operate Calvert's Tavern for one year. In 1870, Calvert's Tavern was run by N.B. Douglas, and it was called White's Tavern. It was the first stagecoach tavern stop in Marion.



Wet again

After four years of being dry, Marion again is to have saloons by a vote of 4 to 1. Since Jan. 14, 1890, there have been no saloons in Marion – local option having been voted the August previous and since that, there has been a standing fight between the wets and dries, and whenever occasion offered in the courts or at the polls, each has taken a whack at the other.

For four years, the dries have practically held the long end of the string, but now, it seems that the wets are to have their running. In January of 1894, the new Marion board of trustees, having been qualified, convened Monday, Jan. 2. The board was composed of J.P. Pierce, J. H. Clark, S. Gugenheim, W.D. Cannon and H.H. Loving.



Above, this artist-drawn picture of the old Marion Whiskey Distillery belongs to the Floyd “Rip” Wheeler family. He knew the artist, Howard McCain, and was kind enough to share it with me. Inset below, Old Hickory Distillery and C.E. Doss & Co. are old ads that appeared in The Crittenden Press in the early 1900s.

C.E. Doss & Co. will upon payment of \$500 into the city treasury be granted licenses to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors.

One saloon will not be all that the town will have. At next week's meeting, Mr. W.H. Copher will be on hand with \$500 asking for a permit to do business, and doubtless, he will secure licenses. It is said that still other parties are contemplating starting the third saloon. In past years, the saloons did not complain of a rush of business. Marion seemed to be not much of a drinking town, and the few who did drink enjoyed a quart more than one drink.

they contrived to get 'a wee drap' of the mountain dew occasionally. To a certain cave they went; an oyster can and a string would successfully bring from the bowels of the earth a pint or quart. You put some silver in the can, lowered it with the string, you pulled on the string and behold, the can had been transformed into a bottle."

An officer went on the search for that distillery, but he never captured it. He found "bar signs" but no "bar."

Some of the wooded hills of Crittenden with their caves and shadowy valleys afford ample security for the business of making moonshine. If one couldn't legally purchase a drink, there were other ways of getting one.

Robertson's distillery and removing it to a different location. But after spending a short time in the city and viewing the rapidity with which the city was rebuilding after the great fire, he found the business prospects so flattering that he decided to leave the distillery where it was.

Mr. Hipple, the new owner, named his company the Old Hickory Whiskey Distillery. It produced some of the finest sour mash whiskey around. With a mash capacity of 25 bushels a day, the distillery could yield up to 112 gallons a day. The distillery supplied the whiskey for the surrounding area, and at the time, some of the town citizens were happy to see the distillery stay and not be moved away somewhere else.

there were no complaints about it going out of business.

No legal whiskey was sold in Marion after then; although, it wasn't until 1919 that Prohibition came into effect.

Some of Marion's saloons or places of business that sold Old Hickory Whisky in the time period of 1900 to 1906 were:

- The Victor Bar at 270 Main St.
- Eberle, Hardin & Co.
- The Cameron House.
- E.W. Taylor next door to the Cook Hotel.
- Orme's Drug Store.
- Billart Old Stand on Hotel Block.

Reminders remain

A few local residents are fortunate to have reminders of this time in our history when saloons and whiskey were available on the streets of Marion. They are the proud owners of stone crocks with the various names printed on them that were used to hold the whiskey and were probably used as advertisement for their business. A few of these known treasurers are:

- Doss & Co.
- The Victor Bar.
- The Palace Saloon.
- Eberle, Hardin & Co.
- The Old Hickory Distillery.

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

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1893 editorial

From an editorial in The Crittenden Press dated June 22, 1893, Deputy Sheriff John Pickens shared this information: "Yes sir, a reputable citizen of the eastern portion of the county told me that he had every reason to believe that 'moon shine' liquor was being manufactured in his neighborhood, but as for proving it or locating the worm, that was something that could not be done, even though you might be cocksure it is within three miles of you."

Two or three years ago, continued Sheriff Pickens, a still was operated in that section.

"Men have told me how

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Religion

The Crittenden Press

Ingratitude is death wielding poverty

Ingratitude is a cancer that has destroyed civilizations throughout history. Its malignancy metastasizes until the whole is sick unto death.

It is evident in every phase of our culture, and too many are not taught to be thankful to God or man. Parents and grandparents are not teaching those coming on to be grateful for anything that is done for them.

Professors, politicians and the main media outlets teach all who will listen that we all deserve to have everything done for and given to us at no cost to us, all for us giving nothing in return. The politicians who preach this, however, expect their vote so they can keep handing out the freebies and keep milking everything they can get out of those who will work. This is so they can stay in power and live off of us for the rest of their lives.

We see the ingratitude of those who hate the military every time we turn on the news, yet these people want the armed forces to keep fighting off the enemy so they can keep living off someone else. We see the ingratitude of so many not respecting the police, but these people sure want them to come running when their lives or possessions are being threatened.

This ingratitude is seen



Rev. Lucy Tedrick
Marion Church of God
Religious Views

also by so many, weeks before we can even celebrate Thanksgiving Day, with decorations and commercials for Christmas thrown in our faces. Christmas has been turned into a "gimme" holiday instead of a very special time to praise God for sending Jesus to a sin-cursed world to die for a sin-cursed people.

How true the scripture, "The love of money is the root of all evil."

The ingratitude for what Thanksgiving Day really means to this sin-cursed nation is appalling.

The month of November is for this nation to pay special attention to the miracle of America even being here and praising God for those who risked all – and many paid all – to get here in 1620 and beyond for freedom to worship God according to God's Word and spread God's Word to the lost and dying natives.

Then the divine arranger of all important things arranged for us to have the whole month of December to meditate and share God's

goodness to all of the world.

But the arranger of all evil has almost erased the real celebration of Thanksgiving and so drained the minds, pocket books and nerves of most Americans by the time Christmas gets here. People are soured on Christmas instead of truly being able to enter into the joy the angels praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace, good will toward men."

There is so little thankfulness in the hearts of most of the world. God has been forsaken by too many, with some of them proclaiming to believe in Him, yet they live like they want to instead of living like God tells us to. God is daily withholding His favor and blessings He once poured on this nation.

Where do we see the miracles, signs, wonders and prayers answered as they once were?

Over and over, God gave the Jews a warning, and when unheeded, He sent suffering. They would repent, and God would turn and bless them. But in 70 A.D., He said it is finished, as He hung on the cross. He then turned to the Gentiles.

Now, He has given the world warnings since then, and when unheeded, he sends judgment. When repentance was made, He gave a reprieve. But one day

– and it won't be too far off – He will come as a thief in the night and all the earth will be in flames. All people of all ages will stand before Him, as He said in Ecclesiastes 12:14, which reads, "For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil."

Jesus reminded us there will be no arguing or justifying on that day, only what God says will stand.

Thanksgiving is not only for us to reminisce and be grateful, but to be reminded that spring is long gone, summer has ended and the cold and bleak days of winter are swiftly coming upon us.

My hope is that all of us can enjoy the beautiful, ravaging colors of fall representing our harvest of a life well lived. May we gloriously look forward to the quiet days of memories enjoyed and the expecting time of peace, perfection, and the joy of a wonderful, eternal family reunion with all who have gone on and those coming on behind.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving Day in Jesus!

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



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Spirit of Thanksgiving

Youth from Marion United Methodist Church purchased more than \$1,000 worth of groceries and personal products that they packaged for Thanksgiving baskets for local families this week. The youth, led by Samantha Peek, held a church fundraiser and youth auction to raise money for the community project.

CHURCH NOTES

- Barnett Chapel Church will be having Thanksgiving dinner Sunday following worship service at 11 a.m. There will be local singing in the afternoon. Pastor Steve Tinsley and congregation welcome everyone.

- Emmanuel Baptist Church in Marion will be celebrating it's 50th anniversary on Dec. 6. Steel Dove Band will be performing at 10 a.m. and again during worship service at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Curtis Pre-witt will be the speaker. A potluck meal will follow the

worship service.

- The food pantry of First Baptist Church of Fredonia is open from 1 to 3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in Coleman Hall of the church. The next distribution date is today (Thursday).

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

True thanks goes to Christ this holiday

By JOEY DURHAM
GUEST COLUMNIST

Today, my Thanksgiving devotion is centered on this thought, "Thanks to Calvary," and my text is found in 2 Corinthians 1:10, where we see, "Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver us."

Here in this verse, the "who" the Apostle Paul is referring to is none other than the darling Son of God. Paul is declaring the power of Christ's deliverance because of the victory Jesus accomplished at Calvary.

I emphasize, once again, the gross spiritual ignorance of any religious person who would degrade and demoralize the work of Christ on Calvary by associating the

word "failure" to it in any way, shape or form. Jesus Christ has never failed and will never fail anyone in any way.

In this verse, Paul is actually resting in and offering praise and thanksgiving to His Savior for the deliverances he has enjoyed in his life and ministry. I also rejoice in my deliverances because of Calvary. Because of accepting the Christ of Calvary, I am not appointed to the wrath of God that is sure to come on this earth immediately following the rapture of the true church as found in 1 Thessalonians 5:9.

Because of accepting the Christ of Calvary as my Savior, if I die before the rapture takes place, I'll never feel the hopelessness, be tormented by the flames and experience

the horrors of hell that Psalms 86:13 tells of. Because of being saved by the Christ of Calvary, the lake of fire will not be my eternal home after this life is over that can be found in Revelation 20:14-15.

Along with the Apostle Paul, I am so grateful to the great God of Heaven for the deliverances that Calvary has brought to this underserving sinner who has been touched by Calvary's triumph. Once again, I shout, "Hallelujah!" and "Thanks to Calvary!"

(Editor's note: Joey Durham, pastor of Sturgis Baptist Church, shares his views periodically in this newspaper. His opinions are his own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.)

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Area Deaths

Adams

Clarence Lewis Adams, 78, of Marion died Friday, Nov. 20, 2015 at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

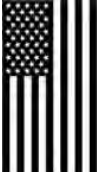
He was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

Surviving are his son, Tim Adams of Marion; daughters, Tammy Lynne Wolfe of Essex, Mo., and Penny Rene Wolfe of Gilbertsville; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lema Louise Adams; and parents, Clarence M. and Thelma Elouise Adams.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 24 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, Nov. 25 at Vinton Memorial Park Cemetery in Vinton, Ohio.



Todd

Margaret Todd, 62, of Marion died Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015 after a long illness. She passed away at St. Anthony Hospital in Henderson.

Surviving are a son, William Todd and wife Debra of Marion; and a half-sister, Sue Downing of Fredonia.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Edward Todd; and parents, Samuel Buntley and Charlene Lewis Brinkley; a brother, Marvin Brinkley; and sister, Dale Humphrey.

There was no visitation. Memorial services will be Sunday, Nov. 29 at White Chapel Church in Crittenden County. Morgan Funeral Home in Eddyville is in charge of arrangements.

Alvey

Darrell Alvey, 49, of Murray died Monday, Nov. 23, 2015 at his home.

He was a heavy equipment mechanic, a member of Pinckneyville Baptist Church and a Mason, belonging to the Smithland Lodge.

Surviving are his wife, Vanece Ramage Alvey of Murray; a son, Eric Tyler Alvey of Murray; a daughter, Tayler DeVan Alvey of Murray; his father, Dewey Alvey of Cromwell, Ky.; four sisters, Ruth (Harold) Nix, Carolyn Kellems, Diana Jackson, all of Cannelton, Ind., and Becky Gaines of Smithland; a step-sister, Shenna Romans of Morgantown, Ind.; and a step-brother, Danny Phelps of Hartford, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Delois Blacklock Alvey.

Services were Wednesday, Nov. 25 at the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem. Burial was at Dyer Hill Cemetery. Mason Rites were performed at the funeral home.

Area Death

McKinney

Nancy L. McKinney, 66, of Henderson, formerly of Marion, died Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015 at Methodist Hospital in Henderson.

Surviving are her son, Sean McKinney of Henderson; brothers, Leon Shewmaker of Gary, Ind., and Eddie Shewmaker of Marion; three grandchildren, Travis Dobbins of Evansville, Ind., and Logan and Lacon McKinney, both of Henderson; and a great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Mary Geneva Shewmaker; sons, Donnie Paul and Josh McKinney; three brothers; and four sisters.

Services are at 3 p.m., Friday Nov. 27 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial will be at Mapleview Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 1 p.m., Friday until service time.

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Boy, woman in trouble for tossing tobacco-filled balloons into jail

STAFF REPORT

A Marion woman and a 14-year-old boy are in trouble for trying to sneak tobacco, and perhaps other contraband, into the jail.

A passerby reported to police last Friday that a young boy was seen throwing something over a wall at the Crittenden County Detention Center.

Police Chief Ray O'Neal and Patrolman Heath Martin immediately responded and caught a 14-year-old boy near the Crittenden County Public Library who matched the description. The library is next door to the jail.

Police then entered the detention center where they located an inmate who is believed to have orchestrated the introduction of the contraband. The inmate was in possession of three small balloons, which are believed to have been filled with tobacco and maybe even marijuana, and tossed into the recreational area at the jail.

Tobacco was found inside the jail, but no marijuana. Other evidence has led police to believe there may have been some pot involved, too.

The inmate, Brian Prater, has since been moved to a Tennessee facility to face unrelated charges. He has not been formally charged in this incident; however, police say he will be in time.

A 32-year-old Marion woman, Raquel Workman, was charged with felony complicity to promoting contraband, first degree; misdemeanor complicity to promoting contraband, second degree; and felony unlawful transaction with a minor, second degree. She is now lodged in the jail herself.

Police say she is the inmate's girlfriend. They think she and the young boy arrived together at the jail in a vehicle, then the boy went around back and tossed into the recreation area balloons filled with rocks to weight them down, and contraband.

Jailer Robbie Kirk said inmates and the recreation



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Instead, burglars made off with about three pounds of barbecue, three soft drinks and three bags of chips.

Understandably, police think there may have been three intruders.

West is following up on leads in the case. Anyone with information can contact Marion Police Department at (270) 965-3500 and remain anonymous. If information leads to a conviction, there could be a reward.

The other burglary was at an unoccupied residence at 168 Country Club Drive where the late Nina Winn had lived. The break in occurred between noon Saturday and Monday morning.

A passerby noticed a window broken on the front of the home. When police investigated they found that someone had cut the window screen and broken out the glass to gain entry.

Only a few items appeared to be taken, including a .20 guage auto-loading Browning Gold Hunter shot-gun, some coins and cigarettes.

Police say the house appeared to have been gone through fairly thoroughly by the intruders.

As with the other burglary, if anyone has information, they can call the police department.

Authorities are still looking for information in a burglary at Marion Discount Tobacco a couple of weeks ago. A surveillance video of that burglary is posted at The Press Online.



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Crittenden County School District 2014-15

K-PREP Awards | Grades 8-9

Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress

Crittenden County Middle School

Last Thursday, Crittenden County Middle School hosted an awards presentation in the school's gymnasium for its students receiving Distinguished and Proficient status in any of the subject areas tested on the 2014-15 Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress exam, or K-PREP.

The ninth-grade awards, or last year's eighth-graders, recognized Distinguished and Proficient ratings in four subject areas – Math, Reading, On Demand Writing and Social Studies. Those who earned Distinguished in all four were presented a certificate, medal and plaque. Those who received a combination of Distinguished and Proficient ratings in all four areas took home both a certificate and medal. All other students with a Proficient or Distinguished on any given test earned a certificate.

PLAQUE, MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE	
Gavin Dickerson	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Shelby Summers	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing

MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE	
Julia Davidson	Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Ethan Dossett	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies / Proficient On Demand Writing
John Duvall	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies / Proficient On Demand Writing
Hanna Easley	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies / Proficient On Demand Writing
Jake Gibson	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Paige Gilbert	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies / Proficient On Demand Writing
Mitchell Joyce	Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Caitlyn Lynch	Distinguished Reading, Math / Proficient Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Matthew Lynn	Distinguished Reading, Social Studies / Proficient Math, On Demand Writing
Jonathan Maness	Distinguished Reading, Math, On Demand Writing / Proficient Social Studies
Shea Martin	Distinguished Reading, Math, Social Studies / Proficient On Demand Writing
Kenlee Perryman	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Devin Porter	Distinguished Reading, Social Studies / Proficient Math
Payton Riley	Distinguished On Demand Writing / Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies
Rheavynn Tabor	Distinguished Reading, Social Studies / Proficient Math, On Demand Writing
Sydney Taylor	Distinguished Reading, Social Studies, On Demand Writing / Proficient Math
Sawyer Towery	Distinguished Reading, On Demand Writing / Proficient Math, Social Studies
Leah Williams	Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
McKenzi Zahrt	Distinguished Reading, Proficient Math, Social Studies, On Demand Writing

CERTIFICATE	
Baileah Barnes	Proficient Social Studies
Brandy Book	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Hunter Boone	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Jennifer Bricken	Proficient Math, On Demand Writing
Zachary Claybrooke	Distinguished Reading, Math / Proficient Social Studies
Madison Conger	Proficient Math
Kayley Cook	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Hannah Cooksey	Proficient Reading, Math
Sydney Coomes	Proficient Social Studies
Jesse Curnel	Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies
Rebecca Davis	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Brianna Elder	Proficient Reading, Math
Devin Ford	Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies
Christopher Haire	Proficient Math, Social Studies
Hunter Holeman	Proficient Reading, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Kalysta Jones	Proficient Reading
Joshlyn Kirk	Proficient On Demand Writing
Ashton Lamprecht	Proficient Social Studies
Cole Lamprecht	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Rose Lewis	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math, Social Studies
Chiann Loyd	Proficient Reading
Stephen Madden	Proficiency Reading, Social Studies
Marcus Manns	Proficient Reading, Social Studies, On Demand Writing
Shalynn Marvel	Proficient Reading
Devon Nesbitt	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math, Social Studies
Sean O'Leary	Proficient Reading, Math, Social Studies
Jesse Rose	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Mayce Simpkins	Proficient Reading, Math, On Demand Writing



Trace Adams receives a certificate of recognition last Thursday from Crittenden County Middle School Principal Teresa Marshall for his performance in last year's Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress testing, or K-PREP, as middle and high school Curriculum Coach Tiffany Blazina reads the names of subsequent recipients and CCMS Guidance Counselor Valerie Jennings looks on. Two hundred and seventy-seven sixth, seventh and eighth graders and high school freshmen were recognized for their status as Distinguished or Proficient in tested subject areas. Next week's issue will list both sixth- and seventh-grade K-PREP achievements.

Aidan Smith	Proficient Social Studies
Preston Tinsley	Proficient Math, Social Studies
Ella Travis	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Jenna Wallace	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Shelby Wallace	Proficient Math
Jaci Watson	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Kelsie Webster	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math, Social Studies
Ashley Wheeler	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Charity Wolosonowich ..	Proficient Reading, Social Studies
Bradley Wood	Proficient Social Studies

The eighth-grade awards, or last year's seventh-graders, recognized Distinguished and Proficient ratings in two subject areas – Math and Reading. Those who earned Distinguished in both were presented a certificate, medal and plaque. Those who received a combination of Distinguished and Proficient ratings in both areas took home both a certificate and medal. All other students with a Proficient or Distinguished on either given test earned a certificate.

PLAQUE, MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE	
Morgan Barnes	Distinguished Reading, Math
Hannah Bell	Distinguished Reading, Math
Lily Berry	Distinguished Reading, Math
Shelby Cooper	Distinguished Reading, Math
Kirsten DeBoe	Distinguished Reading, Math
Jaycie Driver	Distinguished Reading, Math
Lauren Gilchrist	Distinguished Reading, Math
Kyron Hicks	Distinguished Reading, Math
Jodie "Benny" Shirley ..	Distinguished Reading, Math
MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE	
Ashton Binkley	Proficient Reading, Math
Jaylin Balckburn	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Shelby Brown	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Jaimie Burt	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Jayden Carlson	Proficient Reading, Math
Douglas Conger	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Alaina Cowser	Proficient Reading, Math
Cortne Curnel	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Gavin Davidson	Proficient Reading, Math
Mackenzie Dennis	Proficient Reading, Math
Autumn Derby	Proficient Reading, Math
Ashleigh Dunkerson	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Caleb Estes	Proficient Reading, Math
Riley Gobin	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Michael Haire	Proficient Reading, Math
Jagger Hayes	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Mason Henderickson	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Jayden Hill	Proficient Reading, Math

Skyler James	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Hunter Jones	Distinguished Reading, / Proficient Math
Ellie McGowan	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Justin Phillips	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Jenna Potter	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Kyonna Ross	Proficient Reading, Math
Elijah Shook	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Andrew Smith	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Ellie Smith	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Emmie Smith	Proficient Reading, Math
Victoria Starrett	Proficient Reading, Math
Ethan Stone	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Skye Tercero	Proficient Reading, Math
Alexander Tucker	Proficient Reading, Math
Jordan Urbanowki	Proficient Reading, Math
Tanner Way	Distinguished Math / Proficient Reading
Zackery Weathers	Distinguished Reading / Proficient Math
Harley Wesley	Proficient Reading, Math

CERTIFICATE	
Hayleigh Bradham	Proficient Reading
Abigail Darrow	Proficient Reading
Chase Day	Proficient Math
Jared Dimaggiao	Proficient Math
Troy Ford	Proficient Reading
Anzie Gobin	Proficient Reading
Lukas Graham	Proficient Reading
Kerstie Gregory	Proficient Reading
Courtney Hall	Proficient Reading
Trinity Hayes	Distinguished Reading
Emma Herrin	Distinguished Reading
Madison Johnson	Proficient Reading
Michael Kirk	Proficient Math
Allie Little	Proficient Reading
Lynzee Lynn	Proficient Reading
Kaitlyn Mathieu	Proficient Math
Seth Millikan	Proficient Reading
Alivia Parrent	Proficient Reading
Andrew Polk	Proficient Reading
Winter Sitar	Proficient Reading
Emma Stoner	Proficient Math
Josie Tapp	Proficient Math
Joshua Thompson	Proficient Reading
Caitlin Tramel	Proficient Math

Grades 6-7

K-PREP Awards

next week

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Community Calendar

Tuesday, Dec. 1
-Bigam Lodge No. 256 will have Stated Communication on Tuesday at the Masonic Lodge located on Sturgis Road. The meal will be at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m. Officers for 2016 will be installed. All members and fellow Master Masons are urged to attend.

Thursday, Dec. 3
-The Kentucky Public Retirees will have their combination November/December meeting at noon at the County Cupboard with guest speaker Gina Munger, a city retiree, who has started a new career as a professional photographer. Members are encouraged to attend and bring a spouse or guest.

Saturday, Dec. 5
- The Crittenden County Animal Shelter will pass Spay/Neuter vouchers from 9 a.m. until noon to the residents of Crittenden, Livingston and Lyon counties. They can be used for cats or dogs, males or females at several area participating vets. The cost is \$50. Must be used within 90 days, no refunds.

Monday, Dec. 7
- West Kentucky Regional Blood Center and Crittenden Health Systems will sponsor a blood drive, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Crittenden County Hospital Educational building. Each donor will receive a long sleeve t-shirt.

Senior Menu

Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those 60 and older or \$5 for those under 60. Milk, coffee or tea are available each day. Reservations are requested. All menu items are subject to change based on availability.

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

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

Upcoming activities and menu include:

- Today: The center will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Friday: The center will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Monday: Menu is pollock fish, pinto beans, cole slaw, cornbread and vanilla pudding parfait.
- Tuesday: The menu is ham and bean soup, hot beets, seasoned greens, cornbread and pear crisp.
- Wednesday: Call ahead to enjoy the Kentucky Opry Christmas show. The menu is sloppy joe on whole wheat bun, hash brown casserole, baked beans and apple crisp.
- Next Thursday: Craft Day starts at 10 a.m. The menu is oven-fried chicken, baked sweet potato, buttered broccoli, whole wheat roll and pears.

Gift ideas for this holiday season

By REBECCA ZAHRTÉ
GUEST COLUMNIST

The Christmas season is upon us!

Almost everyone I know is excited and overjoyed for this time of year. The thought of families gathering together in laughter and joy, good meals and presents brings a smile to everyone's face. Bright Christmas lights and decorated trees, yards and store windows seem to blink into existence a magical world filled with wonder and delight for the young and old.

However, this is also a stressful time of year. Families are working hard trying to figure out how to fit those wish lists into already screamingly tight budgets. They may not really want to use those credit cards, because they know it will take the next 12 months to pay them off, they also do not want to disappoint those bright, shining, expectant faces they see sitting under the Christmas tree each year.

So how do you balance between the two? How do

you as a parent, grandparent or family member fulfill those beautiful faces without making yourself miserable and resentful?

Why not try out a new tradition!

Please allow me just two minutes to make a suggestion.

Several years ago, our family chose to break the traditions of old and start something new, and I love it! I no longer purchase individual gifts for every adult in my family. Instead, I make a "home" basket that I give the entire family. This basket can be filled with goodies that you buy at a low price, items like new kitchen towels, hot mitts, a nice candle and baking mixes.

Or if you are a crafty person like me, I fill my family's baskets with crocheted pot towels, crocheted dishcloths and canned goods from this year's bounty, like pickles, peaches, applesauce or the like. I make it personal, making sure the colors I choose are ones that go with

their décor. I might make some homemade bread the day before and add a loaf to the basket as well.

So my parents' home, my sister's home and my brother's home, all get one basket each. No fancy gift wrap and no major stress over the cost, but a nice and truly thoughtful basket filled with goodies that are needed and can be used over the year.

Now, the little ones were a bit more difficult. As a small child, they could not understand why a basket, so I chose to start a new tradition with them as well.

Since my family doesn't live here, and I see them only a handful of times a year, I decided I no longer wanted to purchase them expensive meaningless gifts. They are not going to remember five years from now who purchased them the big dollhouse, let alone will it survive that long without being sold at yard sale for a fraction of what I paid for it.

So now, my nieces and

nephews get something even better, my time. Now, I know you are saying, "Yeah, right": but hear me out.

I pick out two or three small children's age appropriate crafts that I can do with them each year. When the families are all gathered together for Christmas, I steal my nieces and nephews away. They get to spend time with their Aunt Becky alone, and we make fun stuff! We giggle and laugh and have fun making things like homemade slime, Christmas ornaments with their handprints or reindeer with bright red noses.

This is something their moms will appreciate and can be hung each year on the tree as a reminder of how much they have grown. It's also something they will remember making with me.

My gift to them is my undivided attention, listening to them talk about their life as they work on making a new masterpiece each year. They tell me how things are going in school, what they

really think about their older cousins (my kids), how things are going at home, what they want to be when they grow up and their dreams and desires as only a 7-year-old can imagine.

Not only is my present to them my time and craftiness, but what they don't realize is the present they give me. I get to spend time with them individually, making memories I will carry with me for the rest of my life. Memories that cannot be sold at a yard sale, or forgotten as soon as it is broken.

So this year, instead of stressing of how we can pay for Christmas gifts, why not try something new? Make a new tradition. Make some memories instead of bills, joy instead of frowns and laughter instead of worry. Make this a wondrous holiday season and shine your light for years to come!

(Editor's note: Rebecca Zahrté is president of the Woman's Club of Marion. Her column appears periodically in this newspaper.)



Retired Army National Guard Col. Barry Gilbert of Marion (standing) made a Veterans Day presentation on Nov. 17 to the After Hours Extension Homemakers Club. Also pictured at the meeting are (from left) Tabby Tinsley, Debbie Padgett, Guest Micki Crider, Jerrell James, Darl Henley, Gilbert, Dawn Hollamon and Reagan Parrent. Not pictured are Sue Parrent, Nancy Hunt and Thays Flores, Crittenden County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

Homemakers club meet to discuss Veterans Day, upcoming events

After Hours Extension Homemakers Club heard a presentation on Nov. 17 by Barry Gilbert, a retired colonel from the Army National Guard, for their observance of Veterans Day. Gilbert explained the date Nov. 11 has been the date Veterans Day has been observed since the conclusion of World War I.

Gilbert's military career began in 1969 and included serving in Paducah, Louisville, Frankfort and Marion. He said there are currently 700 veterans in Crittenden County.

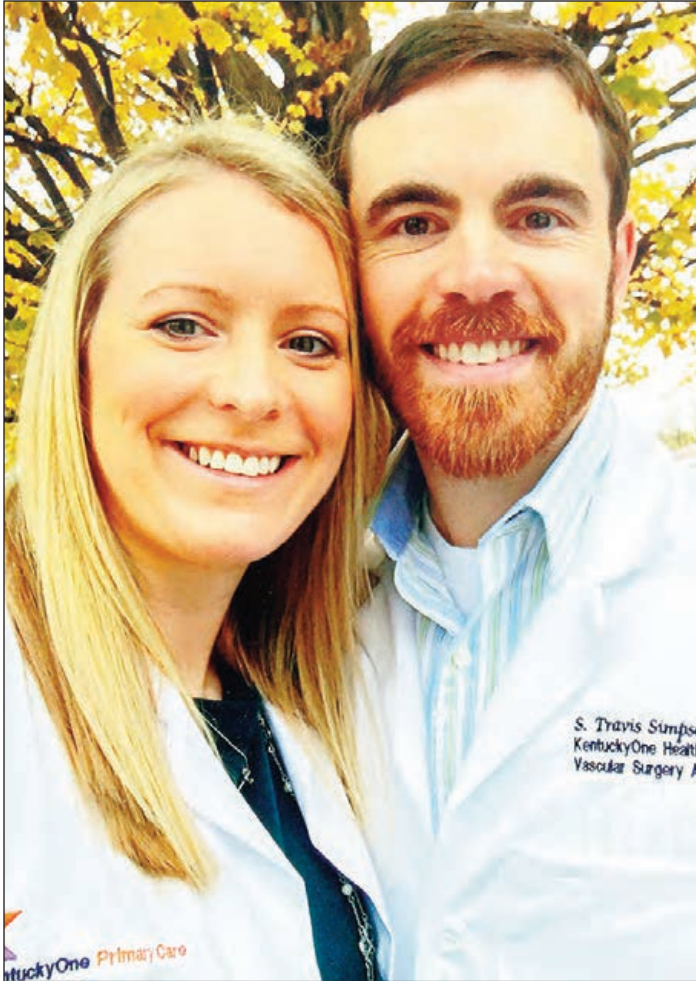
The After Hours members sent thank you notes for Veterans Day to all current members of the local VFW.

What do a wood pallet, plastic bag, bread bag tie

and an empty juice container have in common? They all represent different things which can be repurposed or upcycled, according to Hollamon and Henley, November lesson leaders for After Hours Extension Homemakers Club.

Hollamon demonstrated how individuals utilize Pinterest to keep up with new trends in repurposing items. Other sources for ideas include magazines, books and antique stores.

The top five reusable containers include juice bottles, baby wipe containers, canning jars, parmesan cheese containers and salad dressing cups. Clothing items which work well for repurposing include t-shirts, sweaters, vintage linens and



Travis and Tiffany Simpson completed their medical degrees this summer.

Couple receive medical degrees

Travis graduated from Crittenden County High School in 2002 and Murray State University in 2006 with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. He has worked at Jewish Hospital in Louisville for the past nine years as an intensive care unit nurse.

He attended Spalding University in Louisville and graduated in May with a Master's Degree in Nursing and is now a board-certified family nurse practitioner. He now works for Jewish Hospital with Vascular Surgical Associates.

Dr. Tiffany Simpson graduated from Madisonville

North Hopkins High School in 2004 and from Bellarmine University in Louisville in 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in Theology and Chemistry. In 2012, she graduated from the University of Louisville School of Medicine with a doctorate of medicine.

In June 2015, she completed her residency in Family Medicine at UofL and affiliated hospitals. Dr. Simpson now works at Jewish Hospital and Associates of Primary Care in an in-patient and out-patient position.

The couple resides in Louisville.

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Gardening doesn't end after autumn freeze

You may be delighted to put gardening behind you for the season, but fall is the time to manage and prevent disease in next year's garden.

Summer crops may still be standing, even after being killed by heavy frosts and cold temperatures. At this time, you can take pre-emptive measures to help ensure a successful and bountiful garden next season.

Cleaning things up in the fall can help cut back on disease in the following harvest season. Many pathogens responsible for diseases commonly seen in



home gardens can overwinter or survive between crops on equipment and plant residue. Here are tips to prevent the spread of disease and be ready for the next growing season:

- Remove old plant debris and trash from the garden

or greenhouse and burn or bury it.

- Thoroughly clean tools and equipment and sanitize with disinfectant. This is also a good time to oil shovels and other blades to prevent rust.
- Turn dead plant matter under as soon as you are finished with the garden. Several plant pathogens can survive in these residues during the winter, and they can threaten next year's crops. Plowing them under now allows more time for plant matter to break down and the pathogens to die.
- Rotation is another powerful tool that should be

implemented to prevent disease. Rotation slows the buildup of pathogens in the vegetable garden, preventing problems in the long run. For best results, avoid planting the same or closely related crop species in the same place more than once every three years.

Even though spring is months away, start thinking about what you'll grow and where it will go in the garden. Making notes of variety, placement and yield from the past season while it is fresh in your mind is especially useful, since it is easy to forget the details

over the long winter months.

Also start mulling over the varieties you are likely to plant. Resistant varieties can significantly reduce or eliminate damage from disease and can allow a gardener to lower (or possibly eliminate) use of fungicide for a particular crop. Do keep in mind that resistant varieties do not eliminate disease. Consult your seed supplier or catalog for more information.

A garden does take planning and careful consideration, but successful disease management begins with the few simple steps out-

lined above. If you start now, you'll have built a strong foundation for a successful disease management program in your home garden.

(Editor's note: Dee Brasher is the agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources with the University of Kentucky Crittenden County Cooperative Extension Service. She can be reached at (270) 965-5236. Educational programs of the Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.)



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4-H members recognized for their accomplishments

Crittenden County 4-H recently held its annual awards banquet to recognized youth program accomplishments throughout the year. Winners for Outstanding Service are (from left) Morgan Barnes, 2014-15 Outstanding Junior 4-H'er; Emmalea Barnes, 2014-15 Outstanding First-year Senior 4-H'er; Mauri Collins 2013-14 Outstanding Junior 4-H'er, 2014-15 Outstanding Senior 4-H'er and Silver Achievement Award; Maegan Potter, 2013-14 Outstanding First-year Junior 4-H'er; and Tessa Potter, 2014-15 Outstanding First-year Junior 4-H'er.

Marion insurance agent receives top honors from Independent Insurance Agents of Kentucky

STAFF REPORT

A Marion woman has been named the top customer service representative (CSR) in the state by fellow independent insurance agents.

The Independent Insurance Agents of Kentucky (IIAK), the state's leading insurance agent trade association, awarded the 2015 CSR of the Year Award to Carolyn Belt of Marion. She received the award at the 119th Annual Convention on Nov. 12 in Louisville.

The CSR of the Year Award is given to an individual working in an IIAK member agency as a customer service representative, who typifies the ideals of service.

Belt is an agent with Partners Insurance Agency in Marion and has more than 25 years of experience. She is also active in the community, serving as treasurer of Crittenden

County Extension District Board, treasurer and council member of Crittenden County 4-H Council, secretary of the Marion Woman's Club and Crittenden County Coordinator and Leader for the Crittenden County 4-H Shooting Sports Club.

"Carolyn has worked in all aspects of the insurance industry and takes pride in her work. She also sets an example for youth in the community and takes pride in their accomplishments," said Denise Byarley, KACSR, owner of Partners Insurance Agency. "Carolyn creates a motivational environment for the other office staff, enabling them to be engaged in their work and contribute their best. She has a way of teaching others to be selfless in achieving goals that benefit the agency as a whole. I cannot say enough about Carolyn Belt as an individual, employee and co-worker."



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Carolyn Belt (left) of Partners Insurance Agency in Marion was presented on Nov. 12 the Independent Insurance Agents of Kentucky 2015 CSR of the Year Award by Partners owner Denise Byarley.

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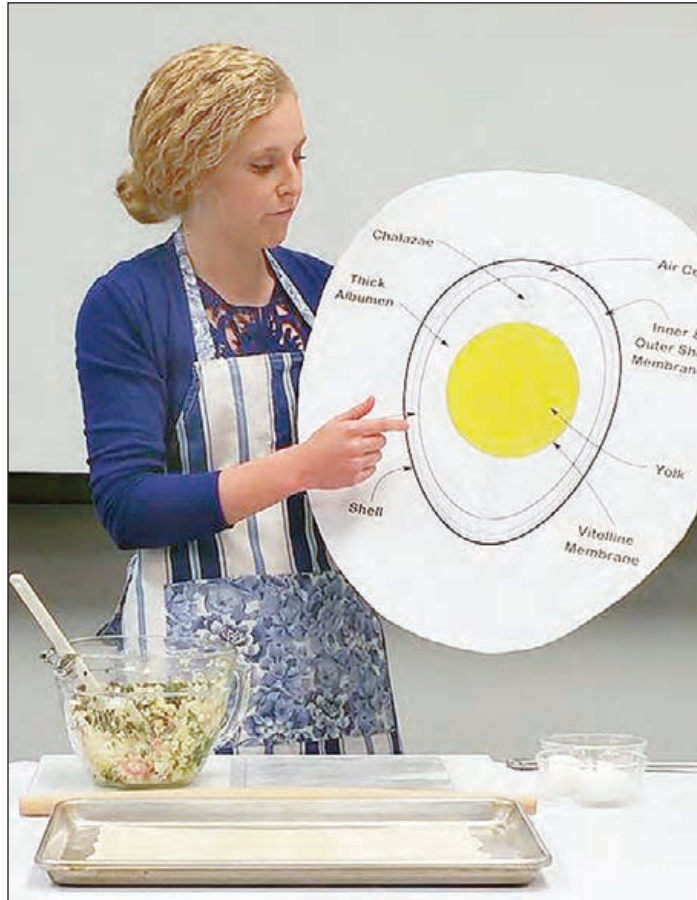
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Local 4-H'er places first at state level

Mauri Collins placed first in the 2015 Egg Preparation Demonstration contest at the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference held in Louisville last Wednesday and Thursday. There were nine contestants from various states, some from as far as California. Collins, the daughter of Pam and Stuart Collins of Marion, demonstrated the recipe for a ham and eggs puff pastry and also had to add in some educational facts about eggs. She qualified for Nationals at the state contest held in July. If schedules can be arranged, she may have the opportunity to be featured in a television commercial next May to celebrate National Egg Month as sponsored by the Kentucky Poultry Federation.

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Notice of Public Hearing, Conditional Use Permit: A request for a Conditional Use Permit for the property located at 206 Watson Street, Marion, Ky., has been filed with the Marion Board of Adjustments. A Public Hearing will be held at 5 p.m. on Dec. 8th, 2015 before the Marion Board of Adjustments in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 217 South Main Street, Marion, Ky. For further information contact the Planning and Zoning Coordinator at (270) 965-2266. (2t-23-c)

No hunting on the Evans property, Sisco Chapel Rd. (8t-22-p)

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that on November 18, 2015 Peggy Sue Brown of 1860 Ky. 1901, Marion, Ky., 42064 was appointed Administratrix of Micky Allen Brown, deceased, whose address was 1860 Ky. 1901, Marion, Ky., 42064. Rebecca Johnson, attorney.

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THE APPLICATION OF KENERGY CORP.
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Kenergy Corp., 6402 Old Corydon Road, Henderson, KY 42420, filed an application for an adjustment in existing rates on October 30, 2015 with the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Case No. 2015-00312. The proposed changes shown in the original notice and this supplemental notice are designed to increase revenues \$2,563,807, and are proposed to be effective on November 29, 2015. The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Kenergy Corp., but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice.

The present and proposed rates for items **(not included in the original notice)** are as follows:

Special Charges: (per trip)	Present Rate <u>Schedule</u>	Proposed Rate <u>Schedule</u>
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The effect of the proposed rates on the average monthly bill by rate class **(not included in the original notice)** is as follows:

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A person may examine this application on Kenergy's website at kenenergycorp.com or at Kenergy's headquarters at the above stated address or at one of its branch offices at 315 Hawes Blvd, Hawesville, KY 42348; 1441 U. S. Highway 231 North, Hartford, KY 42347; 2620 Brown Badgett Loop, Hanson, KY 42413; 3000 U.S. Highway 641, Marion, KY 42064; or 3111 Fairview Drive, Owensboro, KY 42303.

Any person may examine this application at the commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

Comments regarding this application may be submitted to the Kentucky Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Kentucky Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

Any person with a substantial interest in the matter may, by written request, within thirty (30) days of initial publication of this notice request to intervene in the proceeding. That written request must be submitted to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, establishing the grounds for the request, including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication or by mailing of the notice, the commission may take final action on the application.

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TURKEY

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local second graders:

At first, I think to cook a turkey you have to cut it up, and then I would put spices, and then I would put it in the oven, and I would put it on 50 degrees.

– Wyatt

First, I cook a turkey with some eggs. I like to make a turkey because it is fun. My turkey has a funny face, and you will be excited that it is thanksgiving.

– Alivia

A turkey can make you sleep, but gravy is good on a turkey. A turkey with Thanksgiving is even better than raw turkey. It is gross. Cooked turkey is good.

– Riley

Go in the woods and shoot a turkey and bring it home. Pull all the feathers out. Then put it in the oven for 100 minutes. When it beeps, you get it out cut it up and eat it.

– Payne

First, you get a turkey, then you bake the turkey, than you eat the turkey, than you can take the paper off.

– Landyn

I kill a turkey, and I skin the turkey when it is dead, and then I will turn on the heat before I put it in the oven.

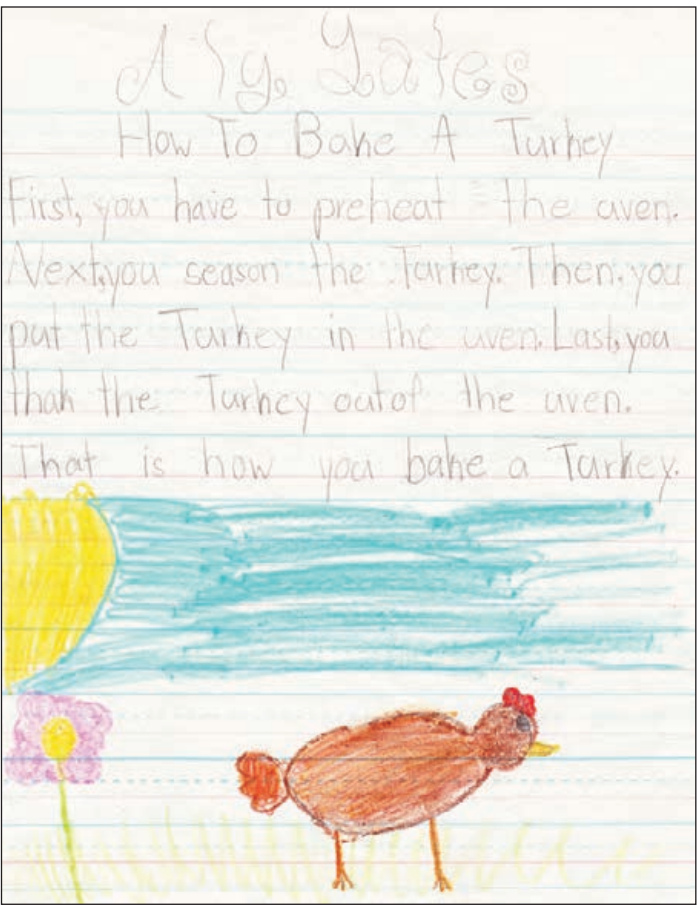
– Taylor

First, you get the turkey out. Then, read the instructions. Next, put the temp that is need. Finally, cook it. Last, get it out of the oven and eat it with your family.

– Cooper

First, you preheat the oven to 300 degrees. Then while you're waiting, you need to go find a big round pan. After the timer goes off, you put your turkey in the pan. Then you set the oven too 700 degrees. Next you put it in the oven. Then when it's done, you eat it.

– Kodi



First, you by a turkey. Then you heat it for 6 degrees and let it sit for 7 seconds. Next, you butter the turkey. Then you eat the turkey. Mmm! It is good turkey, and then you're full.

– Andrea

So if I cook a turkey, here's how I do it. I would put some spices on it. Then I'm going to put it the oven for 15 minutes and let it heat up to 15 degrees. Then when it his out, I will put some more spices on it. Mmm!

– Dixie Hunter

First, I cook a turkey with some eggs. I like to make a turkey because it is fun. My turkey has a funny face, and you will be excited that it is Thanksgiving.

– Alivia

I think you cook a turkey like this: First, you go to the woods and kill a turkey and cut the feathers off and put some salt on it so it has a taste. Then you put it in the oven at like 60 degrees and take it out and let it cool off.

– Anna

First, I would cut the top off the turkey and stuff it with eggs and other good things. Next, I would put the turkey in the oven with the oven at 50 degrees. Then I'd take the turkey out and put salt and pepper on it. Last, I would get the bones out of the turkey.

– Gracie

First, I go hunt for a turkey. Next, I kill the turkey and take it home. Then I put the ingredients in my turkey. The ingredients I put in my turkey are hot peppers, jalapenos, salt, peppercorn, meat, butter and the final ingredient is peppers, too. Finally, I put it on 2 hours to cook.

– Bobby

First, I go hunting. Next, I clean my turkey I killed. Then I get the ingredients which are pans, pots, knives, forks, salt, pepper, measuring cups and turkey. Finally, I go to the market and ask them for a list of the directions. When I get home, I can start on cooking my turkey.

– Brayden

First, you will kill a turkey. Next, you will peel the skin off. Then you put the turkey in the oven at 300 degrees. Then you will take the turkey out of the oven. Then you will cut it to bits. Last, you can give it to your family, and you and your family can eat!

– Breylen

First, I go hunting for a turkey for Thanksgiving. Next, I read the directions. then I get a pan out. I put some salt and pepper on my turkey. I stuff the turkey. Finally, after all of that, I will decorate the table up. Then I can eat the turkey with my family and friends.

– Elle

First, get a turkey from the super market. Next, get the turkey out of the bag. Then, preheat the oven and take the wrapper off the turkey. Last, read the directions and put it in for 30 minutes. When it beeps, take it out. Have a fun Thanksgiving.

– Rianna

First, buy the turkey. Second, preheat the oven for 30 or 40 minutes. Third, take the package off. Forth, put it on a pan. Fifth, put it in the oven for 3 or 4 hours. Sixth, let it cool, then put spices on it. Seventh, make dessert and put everything on the table. Eighth, invite friends and family. Ninth, say a prayer. Tenth, eat the food. Eleventh, have a happy Thanksgiving.

– Elliot

First, I will buy a turkey. Next, you would probably get to wash it off. Last, you put it in oven for 314 minutes. Finally, I would grab my family and say our prayers and eat.

– Naizayah

First, I get the turkey from the store. Next, you preheat a turkey for 50 minutes. Then you get the turkey out of the stove and add salt, pepper and butter. Finally, you go get your stuffing out of the refrigerator and put the stuffings inside. And carefully put your turkey on the dish and you check everything and check if it's good enough and wait for your guests.

– Gavin



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Cheerleaders honored

Crittenden County Junior Pro Football held its annual awards ceremony Monday. The cheerleading squad honored its four-year participants. They were (front, from left) Mallory Lynn, Hadlee Rich, Aliyah Frutiger, (back) Laurel Brown, Emma Williams, Raina West and Callie Brown. Not pictured is Ryleigh Tabor.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ky. should be thankful for KET

To the editor

Thanksgiving is a perfect time of year to pause and reflect with gratitude on who and what is important in our lives. For me, that list includes KET.

KET's mission is to serve all of Kentucky! It is committed to making quality and educational programming available to all families, so whether you enjoy arts and history, science, or drama and documentaries, there's something for everyone. And we can trust PBS KIDS programming, delivered through KET, to help young children learn reading, math, and other essential skills.

This November, two of KET's most popular productions, "Kentucky Life" and "Kentucky Collectibles," launched

new seasons. "Kentucky Life" welcomes its new host Doug Flynn, a remarkable storyteller, and on "Kentucky Collectibles," host Amy Hess uncovers the interesting stories behind antiques and other treasures. And for those that love the British programs, soon "Doc Martin" begins a new season along with the final, sixth season of the acclaimed "Downton Abbey" on "Masterpiece."

All Kentuckians can count on KET for insightful discussion and information about the issues that impact us in our state.

We as a community and state can be both thankful and proud for the quality programming available to everyone on KET. Thank you for watching and supporting!

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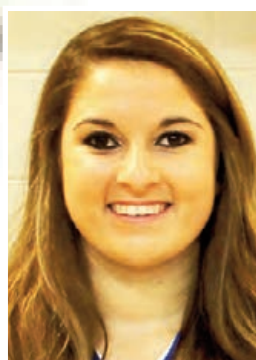
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Cassidy Moss
Junior - Guard



Meredith Evans
Junior - Forward



Kiana Nesbitt
Junior - Forward



Amanda Lynch
Junior - Guard



Francesca Pierce
Junior - Guard



Madison Champion
Sophomore - Guard



Mauri Collins
Sophomore - Guard



Kenlee Perryman
Freshman - Forward



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Freshman - Forward



Ellie Smith
8th Grader - Guard



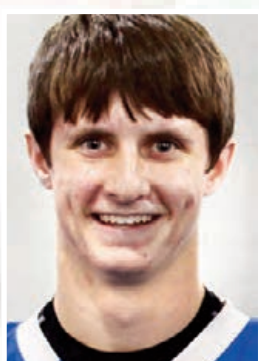
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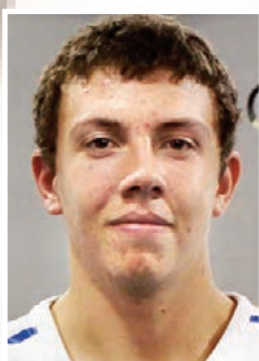
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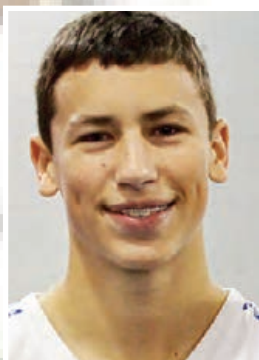
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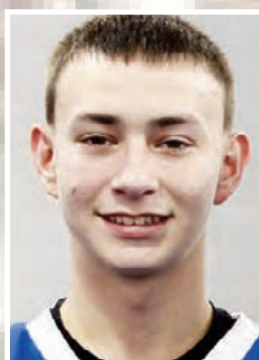
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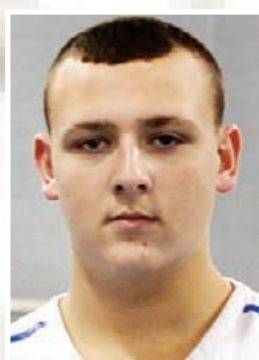
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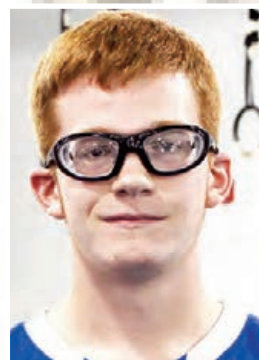
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Sean O'Leary
Freshman - Forward



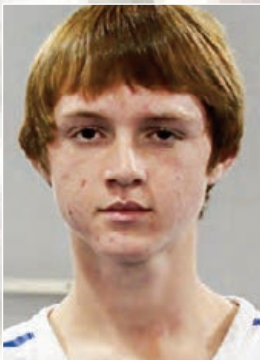
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Crittenden County Middle School girls eighth-grade basketball players (are front from left) Emmie Smith, Ellie Smith, Morgan Barnes; (back) coach Mandy Hunt, Ashton Binkley, Lauren Gilchrist, Loren Morris, Tori Starrett, Christa Sisco and coach Kenley McNamara.



Crittenden County Middle School girls seventh-grade basketball players (are front from left) Mary Holeman, Kasey Easley, Chandler Moss, Kate Keller, Lilly Perryman; (back) coach Mandy Hunt, Raylee Belt, Mathia Long, Nahla Woodward, Destiny Knight, Lilly Hayes, Grace Driskill, manager Isabella Holliman and coach Kenley McNamara.



Crittenden County Middle School boys eighth-grade basketball players (are front from left) Doug Counter, Jaimie Burt, Erik O'Leary, Jayden Hill, (back) coach David Perryman, Gavin Davidson, Troy Ford, Jayden Carlson, Dillan West and Rhett Parish.



Crittenden County Middle School boys seventh-grade basketball players (are front from left) Trace Adams, Landon Crider, Gabe Mott, Chase Stevens, Cameron McNeely, (back) coach Bryce Winders, Xander Tabor, Tyler Boone, Jasper Morrison, Preston Turley, Braxton Winders and Caden McCalister.



Crittenden County Middle School cheerleaders are (font from left) Callie Brown, Hadlee Rich, Hannah Faughn, Jessie Potter; (middle) Ryleigh Tabor, Kenlee McDaniel, Taylor Stoner; (back) Ashlyn Hicks, Belle Minton, Charity Conger, Cortne Conger and Cameron Howard.



CCHS cheerleaders are (seated from left) Kali Travis, Katie Travis, Lauren McKinney; (middle) Hannah Bell, Shelby Wallace, Jessie Potter, Jaylin Blackburn, Ellie McGowan, Jenna Potter; (back) Kirsten DeBoe, Brittany Minton, Sydney Leibenguth, Makensie Simpkins, Shelby Brown and Hannah Cooksey.

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The 2015-16 Rockets are (front from left) Gavin Dickerson, Dylan Hollis, Bobby Stephens, Will Tolley, Maeson Myers, Devon Nesbitt, Hunter Boone, (back) coach Sean Thompson, Tyler Coleman, Dylan Hicks, Dakota Watson, Jared Lundy, Tyson Steele, Logan Belt, Sawyer Towery, Ryan James, head coach Denis Hodge and coach David Perryman.

Adaptability is key to Hodge retooling Rockets for another 5th run

STAFF REPORT

Being an old Army Ranger, Rocket basketball coach Denis Hodge is accustomed to improvising in order to meet an objective.

Since basketball players come and go in the high school ranks, Hodge has come to fully understand that to be successful coaching at that level, one must be willing to adapt.

"It's going to be a different style for us this year," Hodge said, pointing to his plan to be more of an up-tempo team.

"As a coach, I have to change depending on the personnel," he added. "This year we are going to be much better in transition. To be successful, we will have to create more possessions and use our numbers to wear people down."

Depth will be an asset, but Hodge has very few returning players with varsity experience. Back in the starting lineup are seniors Dylan Hicks and Dakota Watson. Both will play integral roles this season, but even those two will have to adapt to changing roles.

Watson has improved his game tremendously over the off-season. He will be one of the best players in the district and Hodge will count on his 6-foot-2 senior to be a little bit of everything for this year's Rockets.

Watson is running the floor with more confidence, his shooting and ball skills are better.

"We want to get him in transition," Hodge said.

Running and gunning will be the name of the game no matter the situation. The Rockets relied heavily on its half-court offense to earn two straight regional tournament berths over the last couple of years, but don't expect much of that this time.

Hicks will either play the point or two-guard. Right



Denis Hodge
5th-year coach
51-69 overall
16-12 last year

now, Bobby Stephens is pressing for the starting job at running the offense. Senior Dylan Hollis, junior Will Tolley and sophomore Logan Belt will figure into the mix at guard or forward and freshmen Hunter Boone, Sawyer Towery and Devon Nesbitt are sure to figure into the rotation somewhere. Hodge plans on going deep into the bench every night in order to achieve his team's mission of wearing down the opponent.

Once junior Maeson Myers is recovered from a football ankle injury, he, too, will be part of the depth chart.

Around the basket Hodge thinks senior Tyler Coleman and junior Jared Lundy could become major contributors. Coleman is a good shooter and Lundy could become a real factor playing with his back to the basket. The play of those two frontliners could go a long way to-

ward improving the Rockets' chances of repeating as a district finalist.

Senior Ryan James and freshman Gavin Dickerson will also be contributors in the post area. They are both very competitive, Hodge said.

The Rockets will rely on its speed, athleticism and depth to win games.

"And I think we are going to surprise some people because collectively, we shoot the ball pretty well," Hodge said.

Physically, the skipper thinks his team can go toe to toe with most teams it will face.

"Hollis, Watson, Coleman, Dickerson... they will mix it up with anybody," Hodge explained. "And, Tolley and Stephens, they're as tough as they come."

It appears that Trigg County will be the odds on favorite to win a third straight Fifth District cham-

pionship. In fact, with nearly everyone back from last year's regional quarterfinalist club, the Wildcats are arguably among the top four teams in the entire region right now.

"They're a regional contender, no doubt," said Hodge.

As for the rest of the Fifth District, the Crittenden skipper knows his team has a great shot at getting back to the finals.

"Put us all in a hat and throw us out," Hodge said. "It could be any one of us."

Lyon returns a good inside and outside threats with Josh Mincey and Jack Rooyakker, but otherwise has a fresh lineup. At Livingston, it's tough to know what to expect. The Cardinals will be very young with one senior and one junior to go with a bunch of underclassmen.

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The 2015-16 Lady Rockets are pictured (front from left) Meredith Evans, Cassidy Moss, Kiana Nesbitt, Francesca Pierce, Amanda Lynch, Madison Champion, Mauri Collins, (back) coach Shannon Hodge, Emmie Smith, Shelby Summers, Nahla Woodward, Kenlee Perryman, Ellie Smith, manager Landry McKinney and assistant coach Heather Boone.

Focus is key element for Lady Rocket success

STAFF REPORT
Expectations are high in Lady Rocket camp this pre-season. Coach Shannon Hodge, in her 23rd season, believes her junior-led team will be very competitive within and outside of the district.

The girls won 16 games last year, tied for second most since 1997. Lost, however, are the team's leading scorer and its point guard to graduation.

Coach Hodge has rearranged the pieces and thinks the personnel will be up to the challenge. Led by junior Cassidy Moss, Crittenden will be in position to compete for a Fifth District championship.

"It's up for grabs," Hodge said about the league title. "I think you'd have to give Lyon the early edge because they won it last year and return three starters."

"But I feel like we can compete and win against anyone in the district," she added.

Moss averaged 12.4 points last year behind the team's top scorer, Chelsea Oliver, who is gone, along with her 14 points per game. Moss was the team's best rebounder a year ago with 6.3 per game. Crittenden returns four of its top seven rebounders, but scoring is where the Lady Rockets will be looking for some new leadership.



Shannon Hodge
23rd Season
Overall record 242-331

Juniors Amanda Lynch and Francesca Pierce appear the likeliest candidates for filling the basket with junior frontliners Kiana Nesbitt and Meredith Evans handling the bulk of the board work, and perhaps some inside scoring. Between Evans and Nesbitt, they averaged seven rebounds last year. They will have to do more this time. Help on the block will also come from seventh-grader Nahla Woodward, who performed well during summer games with the varsity team.

Lynch, Nesbitt, Evans and Pierce combined for just 10 points per game last year.

They will be expected to produce much more as the season opens next week.

Moss or Lynch will likely be on the point, but sophomores Madison Champion and Mauri Collins can also handle the team's quarterbacking role.

Champion and Collins got some spot play last year, but will be called upon for more key roles this season. Champion is rangy and can be a big scorer. Collins is a good shooter and handles the ball very well.

Freshmen Shelby Summers and Kenlee Perryman have also shown in preseason games that they can help with points. Also, eighth-grade twins Emmie and Ellie Smith will figure into the mix when their middle school season ends.

"This group has so much potential," coach Hodge said. "The factor that will define us is our focus. If we can lock in and stay locked in I think we will be okay."

"We can play half court, press, run, set up and run some sets, be big or be quick. We have lots of combinations because we have a lot of girls who are versatile," the coach added.

With seven girls measuring in at 5-foot-7 or above – and four at 5-foot-10 – the Lady Rockets know they can match up with just about anyone size wise.

"We have very good length," the coach said. "This is probably better length than we have had in a long time and that can be a difference maker for us if we play as big as we are."

Nesbitt, Evans, Perryman and Woodward are the tallest girls on the team but Amanda Lynch is just an inch behind them and her wing span can look like a jet plane. Their height and long arms should give the Lady Rockets a tight zone defense.

"I think we can put a physically strong team on the floor when we want to," the coach said.

There is also good speed. Moss, Lynch, Pierce, Collins and the younger girls all run the floor very well. For that matter, Hodge is pleased with the way most of her bigs are moving down the court, too.

"(Nesbitt) has got to be a warrior night in and night out," Hodge said. "She will have to run the floor and get some cheap buckets."

Hodge said Nesbitt will be a key player, asked to defend, rebound and run the floor.

Lynch, the coach said, could be the real surprise. She's worked tirelessly in the gym during the off-season. She can score off the dribble and works well toward the rim.

Evans has a good shot from 15 feet and in, but rebounding and passing are

the things she will have to do for team. Pierce can be a fierce perimeter defender and she has a nice shot from long range.

Champion will be a strong defender, play a number of positions and score inside and out. Collins is also a pesky defender and good shooter.

Summers has improved markedly over the summer. She's one of the team's most athletic players, and Perryman is versatile enough to play inside or out. At 5-10, she creates some mismatches at guard.

The Lady Rockets will play their normal schedule against customary rivals, and will also play in holiday tournaments at Ballard Memorial and Russellville. The Russellville field is set and Crittenden will open with Christian County and face either Central Hardin or Logan County in the second round.




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Basketball

Varsity Roster

Player	No.	Gr.	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.
Tyler Coleman	12	12	5-11	190	F
Dylan Hicks	11	12	5-11	170	G
Dylan Hollis	21	12	5-10	175	G
Ryan James	22	12	5-11	175	F
Dakota Watson	24	12	6-2	180	F
Jared Lundy	25	11	6-5	190	C
Maeson Myers	3	11	5-8	165	G
Bobby Stephens	2	11	5-3	135	G
Will Tolley	5	11	5-9	145	G
Logan Belt	14	10	6-1	165	G
Hunter Boone	32	9	5-11	195	G
Gavin Dickerson	10	9	5-11	195	F
Devon Nesbitt	20	9	5-9	165	G
Sawyer Towery	4	9	5-10	160	G
Wyatt Gipson	23	9	5-10	160	G

Rocket Schedule

Dec. 1	Webster County	H
Dec. 4	Trigg County	H
Dec. 8	Caldwell County	H
Dec. 11	Lyon County	A
Dec. 12	Hardin County, Ill.	A
Dec. 15	Union County	A
Dec. 17	Livingston Central	H
Dec. 21	Carlisle County	A
Dec. 22	Calloway County	A
Dec. 28-30	at Larue Tournament vs. Glasgow	
Jan. 5	Hopkins Central	A
Jan. 8	Lyon County	H
Jan. 11	Dawson Springs	A
Jan. 15	Trigg County	H
Jan. 16	Marshall County	A
Jan. 19-22	3 Rivers Tourn. at Lyon Co. vs. Livingston Central	
Jan. 26	Union County	H
Jan. 29	Livingston Central	A
Jan. 30	Madisonville	A
Feb. 2	Webster County	A
Feb. 5	Dawson Springs	H
Feb. 6	Hardin County, Ill.	H
Feb. 9	Caldwell County	A
Feb. 12	St. Mary	A
Feb. 13	Ft. Campbell	H
Feb. 16	Hopkins Central	H
Feb. 19	Ft. Campbell	A
Feb. 22-26	District at Lyon County	



Dakota Watson is the leading returning scorer and rebounder for the Rockets.

Rocket Boys

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CCHS GIRLS

Basketball

Varsity Roster

Player	No.	Gr.	Ht.	Pos.
Cassidy Moss	43	11	5-3	G
Meredith Evans	24	11	5-10	F
Kiana Nesbitt	32	11	5-10	F
Amanda Lynch	41	11	5-9	G
Francesca Pierce	13	11	5-5	G
Madison Champion	1	10	5-8	G
Maurie Collins	11	10	5-4	G
Shelby Summers	21	9	5-7	F
Kenlee Perryman	10	9	5-10	G
Ellie Smith	20	8	5-8	G
Emmie Smith	3	8	5-8	G
Nahla Woodward	44	7	5-10	C



Cassidy Moss is the top returning scorer and rebounder.

LADY ROCKETS

Basketball

Schedule

Nov. 30	St. Mary	H
Dec. 1	Dawson Springs	A
Dec. 4	Trigg County	H
Dec. 8	Caldwell County	H
Dec. 11	Lyon County	A
Dec. 14	Hopkinsville	H
Dec. 17	Livingston Central	H
Dec. 21-23	at Ballard Tournament vs. Joppa, Ill. and Ballard Memorial	
Dec. 28-30	at Russellville Tournament	
Jan. 5	Hopkins Central	A
Jan. 8	Lyon County	H
Jan. 11	Ft. Campbell	H
Jan. 15	Trigg County	A
Jan. 16	Wester County	H
Jan. 18	UHA - All A	H
Jan. 21-23	All A Classic at Lyon	
Jan. 26	Union County	A
Jan. 29	Livingston Central	A
Jan. 30	Caldwell County	A
Feb. 2	Webster County	A
Feb. 5	Dawson Springs	H
Feb. 12	St. Mary	A
Feb. 13	Union County	H
Feb. 16	Hopkins Central	H
Feb. 19	Ft. Campbell	A
Feb. 22-26	District at Lyon	



Crittenden County Middle School basketball player Tyler Boone (32) races down the court after stealing the ball during a recent game against Livingston Central at Marion. In the background is CCMS Rockets teammate Trace Adams.

No Class A for Rockets

Crittenden County's boys will not play in the Class A Tournament this year. Crittenden, Livingston and Lyon are boycotting the event to protest private school University Heights' involvement. Instead, those three teams and Christian Fellowship will play a Three Rivers Tournament at Lyon County.

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OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Archery Deer	Sept. 5 - Jan. 18
Archery Turkey	Sept. 5 - Jan. 18
Gun Deer	Nov. 14 - Nov. 29
Crossbow Deer	Nov. 14 - Dec. 31
Crossbow Turkey	Nov. 14 - Dec. 31
Rabbit, Quail	Nov. 16 - Feb. 10
Squirrel	Nov. 16 - Feb. 29
Duck	Nov. 26-29
Dove	Nov. 26 - Dec. 6
Western Goose	Nov. 26 - Jan. 31
Pennyrile Goose	Nov. 26 - Jan. 31
White-front Goose	Nov. 26 - Jan. 31
Snow Goose	Nov. 26 - Jan. 31
Wilson Snipe	Nov. 26 - Jan. 31
Shotgun Turkey	Dec. 5 - Dec. 11
Duck	Dec. 7 to Jan. 31.
Muzzleloader	Dec. 12 - Dec. 20
Dove	Dec. 19 - Jan. 10
Youth Deer	Dec. 26 - 27
Snow Conservation	Feb. 1-5
Snow Conservation	Feb. 8 - March 31
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 6-7
Coyote Daytime	Year Round

Hunter ed coming up
The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife will be holding a Hunter Education Class from 6-9 p.m., on Tuesday, Dec. 15 and Thursday, Dec. 17 and at 10 a.m., on Saturday, Dec. 19. The class is free and participants must go online to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wild life website to pre-register.

Ducks for Turkey Day
The duck season will open for four days starting Thursday and running through Sunday.

BASKETBALL
Middle School Results
Games from the past week
8th Grade Boys
Crittenden 45, John Paul 23
CCMS: O'Leary 3, Davidson 5, Carlson 19, Mott 7, Turley 4, Winders 2, West 3.
Crittenden 54, Livingston 52
CCMS: O'Leary 2, Davidson 5, Carlson 13, Mott 16, Turley 11, Winders 7.
Crittenden 53, Dawson Springs 36
CCMS: O'Leary 10, Davidson 1, Carlson 12, Mott 9, Turley 6, Winders 11, Ford 2, Conger 2.

Caldwell 65, Crittenden 38
CCMS: O'Leary 5, Davidson 7, Carlson 14, Turley 8, Winders 4.

7th Grade Boys
Crittenden 41, Livingston 33
CCMS: Mott 13, Adams 2, Boone 11, Turley 15.
Crittenden 36, Dawson 31
CCMS: Mott 12, Adams 4, Boone 12, Turley 8.
Crittenden 39, Caldwell 35
CCMS: Mott 5, Adams 6, Boone 5, Turley 23.

Alumni basketball game
Anyone wanting to participate in the men's and women's alumni basketball games against Livingston Central should register by Dec. 15. Registration form is available at The Press Online. The games will be played Jan. 9 at Smithland. Cost is \$20 per player or cheerleader. Players must have graduated before 2005. There will two men's games and two women's games, including play for older and youngsters players. Cost of admission will be \$5. The basketball programs from the two schools will split the proceeds from this event.

FOOTBALL

High school awards
Crittenden County High School will host its annual awards banquet at 2 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 20 at the school's multi-purpose room.

Junior Pro equipment
Crittenden County Junior Pro football players who have not turned in equipment should do so by Dec. 4. Drop equipment off at The Crittenden Press office.

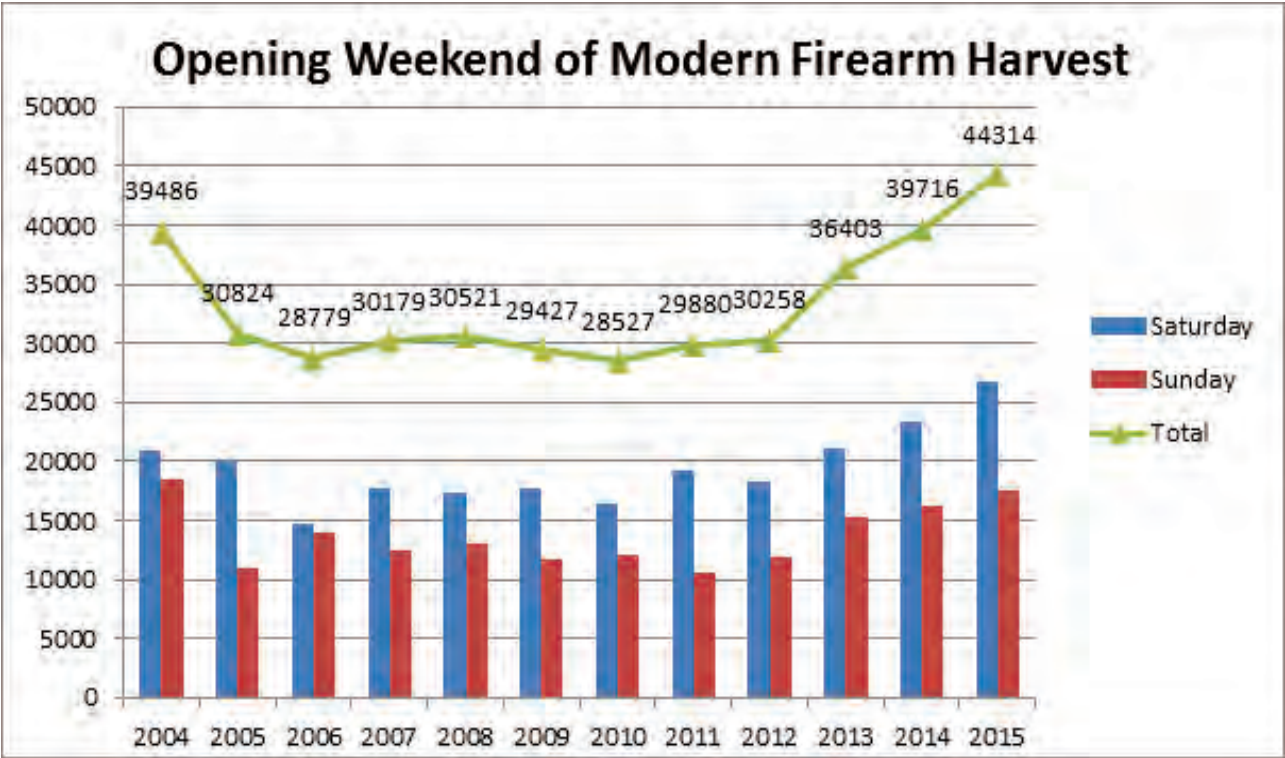


The 10u ThunderCats claimed a third soccer championship of the season Oct. 24 with a first-place finish in the fifth annual Pumpkin Kickin' It tournament at Marion's City-County Park. Kneeling from left are Micah Domingez, Jackson Cartwright, Carly Beavers; (standing from the left) Eli Neitz, Austin Whitt, Ava Domingez, Emily Payne, Tia Stoner, Lizzy Campbell and Destiny Reed. Coaches are Jessie Domingez and Danny Stoner.

Buck Bang

Stars aligned for great deer hunting

STAFF REPORT
All of the stars lined up for a near perfect opening to the 2015 rifle deer season and hunters in Kentucky responded with a record number of whitetails taken on the first two days.
The accompanying chart shows harvest results from the opening Saturday and Sunday of seasons from 2004 through present. Saturday's statewide deer take was the best ever recorded and the first Sunday was second only to 2004's season.
The moon phase and peak estrogen and testosterone levels in whitetails lined up with other factors such as food availability to make this one of the most memorable opening weekends ever.
Hunters not only scored often, they scored on some huge bucks. At least two 200-plus deer were taken in nearby counties and reports of other mature trophies were common.
Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources biologist Philip Sharp of Marion said hunters were helped by the lack of acorns available, which pushed deer from



forested sanctuaries into open areas where they are more vulnerable.
"As predicted opening weekend was a blast!," Sharp said.
Although he has not been able to see data specific to Crittenden County, Sharp said older deer seem to have been a big part of the overall harvest during the first few days of season.
"Almost no 1½-year-old bucks were harvested opening weekend

which is excellent and I have seen several 4½-year-old bucks harvested which is rare," Sharp added.
"Most of our bucks are harvested at 2½ but may boast 130 to 150 inches of antler. The older, 4½-age class bucks exhibit much more mass but maybe not any larger spread or tine length, yet they score higher due to the multiple mass measurements."
The biologist said the term trophy can be defined in many different ways, depending on who's

keeping score.
"Each sportsman must decide what's the right one for them," he said about the decision to harvest a deer.
"If it makes your heart jump up and down and you are shaking sometimes quite uncontrollable then that is what it is all about," he said.
Rifle deer season continues through Sunday.



Justin Sutton of the Frances community took this bizarre buck last week. The non-typical rack had 18 scoreable points.



Riley Smith 9, took her first deer Sunday afternoon. It was a nice 8-pointer.



Clifton Etheridge of Marion took this wide-rack 10-pointer on the opening week of season.



Jacob Perryman helped Trace Derrington score on this nice buck, then Perryman took a whopper of his own, a big 8-pointer during the rifle season.



Davis Perryman filled the freezer with this nice buck.



Shelia Gregory took this 11-pointer on the first Sunday of rifle season near Tolu.



Josh James, 6, bagged his first deer on opening morning. He also got in the picture to help show of his sister's buck. Chloe James, 11, took this nice 7-pointer on a 200-yard shot with a .223 opening afternoon.



Jordan Roberts took this whopper last week during the early part of the rifle season.



TURKEY DAY!

Up next is the last segment of the fall shotgun season for turkeys. It opens December 5.

2015 DEER HARVEST DATA (through Monday)

County	Archery	Firearm	Muzzleloader	Crossbow	Total
Crittenden	421	1,871	153	49	2,494
Livingston	199	1,035	121	19	1,374
Union	192	520	63	14	789
Webster	293	1,256	84	36	1,669
Caldwell	187	983	106	16	1,292

High school baseball considering pitch counts

STAFF REPORT
The Kentucky High School Athletic Association is considering a pitch count to limit the use of high school pitchers.
The pitch limit for baseball was discussed at the Board of Control's November meeting. The review

comes through working with USA Baseball, the National Federation of High School Associations, Major League Baseball and other youth organizations and medical groups.
"Again, the safety of our student athletes is requiring us to review our pitch-

ing limitations," said KHSAA Commissioner Julian Tackett. "There is sports medicine based research, as well as play at other levels, that clearly illustrates that a pitch count limitation is likely a much better injury minimization strategy than the long-exis-

tent innings limitations for pitching."
Colorado and Alabama are two other state associations to recently adopt limitations based upon pitch counts. The Board will discuss the matter further at its January meeting and likely make a final decision

at that time, with implementation to begin for the 2016 playing season.
Currently, there is no limitation on high school pitchers in Kentucky.
Youth baseball, including recreational leagues in Marion, have been using a pitch count for two years.



Junior Pro fifth- and sixth-grade awards went to (front from left) Dylan Yates, Most Improved and 4-Year Award; Dalton Wood, 4-Year Award; Preston Sisco, Rocket Award; Trace Derrington, 4-Year Award; Tanner Beverly, 4-Year Award and Sportsmanship; Paul Combs, Courage Award; (back) Maddox Carlson, Mr. Football and 4-Year Award; Holden Cooksey, 4-Year Award; Ben Evans, Defensive Lineman Award and 4-Year Award; Coleman Stone, Rocket Award and 4-Year Award; Preston Morgeson, Offensive MVP; Sam Impastato, Newcomer Award; Tucker Sharp, Offensive Lineman Award and 4-Year Award; and Luke Crider, MVP and 4-Year Award.



Junior Pro third and fourth-grade awards went to (front from left) Rowen Perkins Defensive MVP; Micah Newcom, MVP; Bennett McDaniel, Warrior Award (back) Tyree McLean, 3rd Grade MVP; Travis Champion, Offensive MVP; and Jason Millikan, Rocket Award.