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## NEWS

### ONE OF COUNTY'S LAST WORLD WAR II VETS DIES

One of the last surviving World War II veterans in Crittenden County has died.

William Earl Clarke, 95, of Marion died Nov. 19 at Christian Care Center in Kuttawa. (See obituary, Page 7.)



Clarke

An Evansville, Ind., native, Clarke was drafted into the U.S. Army at the age of 19 in January 1943. Just more than three weeks after D-Day, he landed at Normandy, France, to take part in the Allied invasion of Nazi-occupied Europe. Clarke gathered intelligence as part of an anti-aircraft mobile battery attached to the VIII Corps of the U.S. Army. For his contributions to the war effort, he was awarded the Knight of the Legion Honor in 2014, an honor bestowed by the French government to those who fought to liberate France and Western Europe during the war.

Clarke was a member of the Virgil Jones VFW Post 12022 in Marion, where he had served as quartermaster. He was laid to rest Monday at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West in Hopkinsville.

### PATTI'S HOLIDAY LIGHTS FEATURED ON ABC SHOW

Patti's 1880s Settlement's Festival of Lights display in Grand Rivers will be featured on "The Great Christmas Light Fight" airing on ABC at 7 p.m. Monday. Filming of the Patti's grounds took place for four days last November and has remained a secret until this month according to Patti's online newsletter. The Patti's grounds will compete against three other large Christmas light displays for a \$50,000 prize.

### SPAY, NEUTER VOUCHERS AVAILABLE SATURDAY

Crittenden County Animal Shelter will sell vouchers for reduced-cost spay and neuter procedures from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday to the residents of Crittenden, Livingston and Lyon counties. They will be distributed at the shelter and can be used for cats or dogs at several participating area vets. The cost is \$50, and they must be used within 90 days. There are no refunds. Limit one per household.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Extension Board will meet at noon on Friday, Dec. 14 at the Extension Office.



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## Lease payment could jeopardize disc golf

By **DARYL K. TABOR**  
PRESS EDITOR

A sudden proposal to charge Marion Tourism Commission hundreds of dollars per month for use of city-owned property to operate a disc golf course could jeopardize the project altogether, according to at least one voting member of the Commission. But Mayor Jared Byford, an ardent support of installing the recreational attraction, says it's too early to suggest anything, as the two sides have not

even begun to negotiate the contract.

At last week's Marion City Council meeting, the body introduced an ordinance to give Byford authority to finalize a lease with the Commission to allow use of the city's 42 acres off Old Morganfield Road for a proposed 18-hole course for what is sometimes called Frisbee golf. But during discussion, Councilman Donnie Arfleck introduced the idea of adding a \$500 to \$600 monthly payment

to cover what the city is still paying on the property.

Until the Nov. 19 meeting, charging for use of the property had never been discussed, according to City Administrator Adam Ledford, Byford and Marion Tourism Director Michele Edwards. And Victory Gardens Inc., the non-profit that would continue to operate its gardens on the site alongside the disc golf course, paid only \$1 to the city for its current five-year lease to grow produce for give-

away.

But the idea to add a charge to Tourism for the property lease was borne from its chairperson, Philis Hardin. She suggested at a recent council meeting that her agency would be OK with paying higher rent for use of its office space at city hall if council members thought that was fair. But Tourism's rent is locked in at \$1,500 per month until the lease is up for

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## Sounds like Christmas

### Alexanders tapped to lead parade

STAFF REPORT

Community service has been a staple in the lives and careers of Marion couple Mickey and Susan Alexander. On Saturday, they will be formally recognized for continuing to fulfill that personal mission. The two will be grand marshals of the annual Marion Christmas Parade.

This year's holiday procession begins at 5 p.m. Saturday along Main Street. The 2018 theme is the Sounds of Christmas. The parade is hosted by Partners Insurance and Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce.

Unlike most of those who have headed the holiday march along Main Street, the Alexanders will have the unique opportunity of spearheading the processional right past their own home, which sets on a section of downtown previously known as Silk Stocking Row. Theirs is a stately two-story house into which the couple has poured their souls, making a showplace out of the historic dwelling that was built in 1910 by A.H. Clement, a county farmer with a taste for quality. Construction lumber was cut from his farm near Crayne, and only two families have ever resided there. The Alexanders purchased it in 1980 from the Clements' daughter, Marian VanPelt, a charter member the local Woman's Club.

It is distinctly apparent that the pride the Alexanders have taken in grooming their very conspicuous home is a direct reflection of their dedication to the broader community. They grew up here - Mickey, a farm boy from Piney, and Susan, a self-proclaimed city girl. Although they were well acquainted by the constraints of small-town rearing, the two didn't spark a mutual attraction until they became more quickly acquainted by sitting a few rows apart at the First Cumberland



CHRIS EVANS/THE PRESS

Mickey and Susan Alexander, pictured Monday inside their Main Street home in Marion, have been selected as grand marshals of Saturday's Marion Christmas Parade through downtown.

Presbyterian Church, where they remain active members. It wasn't until Mickey had finished his conscripted Vietnam-era stint in the U.S. Army that he and Susan dating and soon became a lifelong team. Together they have forged a legacy in Marion that will long be remembered.

Today, Mickey is a financial advisor at Edward Jones Investments a block off the court square, and Susan is the executive director of the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce, headquartered next to city hall. Their offices are on opposite ends of downtown proper, yet they're both within a few steps of where they live.

Mickey gave up being the mayor of Marion early last year, but not before earning the distinction of being one of the

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### Parade particulars.

- Starts at 5 p.m., with line-up beginning at 4 p.m.
- 44 entries at press time
- Emcee will be Taylor Davis
- Partners Insurance and Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce are hosts of the parade
- The Press will broadcast live online from the parade
- Farmers Bank Elf Mystery is at 5 p.m., with a \$100 prize
- Snack with Santa is 2-4 p.m. at Marion Baptist Church

## High school leading way in accountability

STAFF REPORT

The most recent assessment of school accountability in Kentucky shows student performance declining in most subjects and achievement gaps widening in many of the commonwealth's schools and communities.

Locally, the number of students in the school district rating proficient and distinguished dropped across most subject areas, and the majority of the measures used to determine accountability at each school were below the norm. However, Crittenden County High School appears to be adequately preparing teens for their next step in life.



Clark

"Every year, we carefully review and consider state assessment results," said Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark. "We do this, however, mindful that they are only one of many data points that we use to gauge student learning and growth. We will continue to be diligent in our efforts to ensure student success and growth in all areas."

Tiffany Blazina, a spokesperson for Crittenden County Schools, cited a number of diagnostic and benchmarking programs used at all three schools that go beyond state assessments.

"The results of all of these tests, in addition to the data

from the state test results, help us to construct a plan for improvement, as well as a plan for monitoring progress throughout the year, not just when state assessment scores are released.

With a new accountability system implemented in Kentucky, comparisons of the most recent data with previous years are not valid. But local schools can be compared against the statewide measurement at each level. Accountability is based on three indicators at each school level. Elementary and middle schools use proficiency, separate academic indicator and growth. High Schools use proficiency, transition readiness and graduation rate. All three local schools were

off the pace for achievement in reading and math, evidenced by a Proficiency Indicator that measures students having reached the desired level of knowledge and skills in both subjects based on Kentucky's Academic Standards (KAS). At the high school, the Proficiency Indicator on a scale of 0 to 125 was 54.1 compared with the state rating of 59.3. The elementary school scored 64.4 against 70.5 statewide, while the middle school tallied 66.5 versus a 72.8 average.

"We did have a math teacher and language arts teacher leave in the middle of the year," first-year middle school Principal Kara Turley told board of edu-

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# Mills gains roles on Senate panels

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Senate Majority Caucus announced committee assignments for the 2019 General Assembly, with Crittenden County's new representing earning a chairmanship. Sen.-elect Robby Mills, R-Henderson, will serve as the new Chairman of the Senate Standing Committee on Enrollment.



Mills

Mills will also serve as a member of the Senate Standing Committees on Agriculture, Natural Resources & Energy and State & Local Government. Additionally, he will serve as a member of the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee.

"I'm very pleased to have receive all my re-

quested committee assignments and to have the honor of serving as Chairman of the Enrollment Committee," Senator-elect Mills said. "Agriculture and the Energy sectors are extremely important to the 4th District, and I am happy to be in a position to make sure that we see growth in these areas. As a former 16 year City Commissioner, I understand how important local government is to our communities in Western Kentucky and I'm thankful for the opportunity to participate in forming government."

The Senate Committee on Committees will officially confirm the new chairmanships upon the start of the 2019 Legislative Session.



DARYL K. TABOR/THE PRESS

# Active shooter training

Faculty and staff at all three Crittenden County schools underwent active shooter training Monday under the direction of Kentucky State Police. Above, Sadie Easley and other employees at the elementary school react to the staged sound of three rapid gunshots as they have been trained to do during drills, grabbing volunteer students to protect them and running for the door to shut and lock it to prevent entry by a possible shooter. The school district has rehearsed active shooter drills with all faculty and staff a number of times in order to better prepare them in the event of a real attack. Trooper William Braden (shown above) offered tips to employees on how to better react and what to expect. No drill, he said, can fully prepare anyone for the real event, but locking the door and waiting for police is the best method for protecting students and staff inside a room. "To date, no one has breached a locked door in a real active shooter incident," the trooper said. The students in Monday's drills were volunteers, as school was not in session.

# LEASE

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renewal in 2020.

City Treasurer Melinda Gipson said the city currently pays \$454 per month on the undeveloped land purchased years ago for \$100,000. The loan will be paid off in December 2024.

No one from Tourism was present at last week's meeting of city government, but some on the council seemed to like the idea of charging as much as \$1,000. The idea to up the ante came after city resident Linda Schumann urged the council to take advantage of the Commission's resources in order to

help fund day-to-day functions of government the city has struggled to fund in recent years.

"Why such a low amount?" she questioned, referring to Arflack's initial proposal. "I don't see any reason to not get a substantial amount of money (from the lease) that you can put into streets and personnel."

The tourism commission takes in an estimated \$225,000 in annual tax revenue from a 3 percent prepared foods and lodging tax inside the City of Marion and maintains more than \$100,000 in savings. Schumann believes they should turn loose of more of that money to help city govern-

ment.

But Darrick Myers, a council-appointed tourism commissioner, defends the group's money management practices. He also suggested a fee to lease the property for the course could spell the end of the project before it even gets off the ground, particularly since monthly usage fees had never been discussed.

"If they want more, it could put this in jeopardy," Myers said, indicating his statement was not a threat, but merely a hint at what the seven-person Commission could decide.

Tourism currently has about \$5,000 in development of a plan for the disc golf course, which commissioners claim could

draw hundreds of visitors to Marion each year.

"I don't want that at all," said Byford of the notion that Tourism could scrap plans for the course. "I am very supporting of disc golf."

In September, the city council OK'd use of the land for a disc golf course, but money was never part of the discussion for allowing use of the land.

Byford is hopeful of negotiating a resolution before the Council meets next month to give final approval to the ordinance allowing him to finalize lease. He planned to begin discussions with tourism commissioners this week.

At press time, the next meeting date for the Tourism Commission had not been set.

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Marion Tourism Commissioner Michele Edwards shows a map indicating the layout of a proposed disc golf course utilizing both Marion-Crittenden County Park and the city-owned property where the Victory Gardens are located.

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TESTING

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cation members at a recent meeting. “That group of kids is lower performance-wise.”

At the high school, performance based on the most recent assessment indicators show teens are



at or above the average Kentucky student finishing their compulsory education. The graduation rate was 90.7 percent at CCHS, just a notch below the Kentucky Graduation Rate Indicator of 90.8 percent.

“The data shows that we are progressing in the area of graduation rate,” said Blazina. “We have varied programs to meet the differing needs of our students, which contributes to this successful graduation rate.”

On a scale of 0-125, the local high school Transition Readiness Indicator was 72.0, far surpassing the statewide measure of 60.9. Transition-ready high school students should be able to enter and succeed in entry level postsecondary courses without remediation or enter the workforce possessing the knowledge and technical skills needed for employment in their desired career field.

“From the time students enter high school, we have our eye on their transition to the real world,” said Blazina. “This

Local student performance vs. statewide

The Kentucky Department of Education earlier this fall released 2017-18 student assessment results that show academic performance has remained largely flat in

Kentucky public schools. The chart below shows the combined percentage of local students who achieved proficient and distinguished status on the K-PREP tests versus

those statewide who achieved the same status. Of note are the differences locally in male and female performance across many subjects at all three school levels.

	Reading		Writing		Math		Science		Social Studies	
<b>ELEMENTARY</b>	<b>CCES</b>	STATE	<b>CCES</b>	STATE	<b>CCES</b>	STATE	<b>CCES</b>	STATE	<b>CCES</b>	STATE
Proficient + distinguished	<b>45.7</b>	54.6	<b>32.4</b>	40.5	<b>43.0</b>	48.8	<b>36.6</b>	30.8	<b>53.9</b>	53.0
Female/Male	<b>49.0/42.5</b>	57.5/51.8	<b>47.7/20.7</b>	49.5/31.9	<b>44.3/41.8</b>	48.4/49.3	<b>41.7/29.3</b>	30.4/31.2	<b>50.0/56.9</b>	51.1/54.8
<b>MIDDLE</b>	<b>CCMS</b>	STATE	<b>CCMS</b>	STATE	<b>CCMS</b>	STATE	<b>CCMS</b>	STATE	<b>CCMS</b>	STATE
Proficient + distinguished	<b>53.4</b>	60.0	<b>36.4</b>	44.3	<b>38.9</b>	47.0	<b>22.8</b>	25.9	<b>48.5</b>	60.2
Female/Male	<b>57.7/49.4</b>	65.5/54.7	<b>54.8/22.8</b>	57.3/31.8	<b>46.2/32.1</b>	49.7/44.5	<b>20.5/24.5</b>	26.1/25.6	<b>50.0/47.4</b>	61.3/59.3
<b>HIGH</b>	<b>CCHS</b>	STATE	<b>CCHS</b>	STATE	<b>CCHS</b>	STATE	<b>CCHS</b>	STATE	No K-PREP assessment for social studies at the high school level in 2017-18	
Proficient + distinguished	<b>43.1</b>	45.4	<b>43.2</b>	51.8	<b>27.4</b>	37.5	<b>20.0</b>	29.6		
Female/Male	<b>48.6/37.1</b>	49.2/41.9	<b>51.4/35.1</b>	62.2/41.7	<b>23.7/31.4</b>	37.6/37.4	<b>21.6/18.4</b>	29.4/29.7		

is a solid indicator of how diligently the high school works with our students to ensure their readiness post-graduation.”

Meantime, the Separate Academic and Growth indicators at both the middle and elementary schools were below the state average.

Designed to measure how students achieve on KAS in science, social studies and writing, the Separate Academic Indicator at the local elementary school was 63.7 (64.8 statewide), again on a 0-125 scale, and 58.9 (66.8) at the middle school. The Growth Indicator at Crittenden County Elementary School was 16.5 versus the state measure of 17.1 on a scale of -150 to 150. The focus of the



Blazina

growth indicator is the progress – or lack thereof – the student has made in the current year and the projection of that path toward proficiency. At CCMS, Growth was 11.7 against the state average of 12.1.

Subject areas

As for specific subject areas measured by annual assessments, only local elementary school performance in science and social studies bested the statewide average. But administrators caution to not read too much into the most recent testing results due to the changes in testing over the previous year and future changes to come.

Assessment data from testing in the 2017-18

school year shows writing and math to be the weakest subject areas across the entire school district when compared with statewide scores. The combined percentage of students reaching or exceeding the desired level of knowledge and skills at all three schools was well off the pace of the average Kentucky school.

In writing, test results from high school juniors fared much better (43.2 percent proficient or distinguished) than those from eighth- (36.4 percent) and fifth-graders (32.4 percent) representing the middle and elementary schools, respectively. Blazina said the school system is buckling down on writing curriculum helped by a recently-awarded Striving Readers Grant, which has

an emphasis in writing as well as reading from birth through graduation.

“We will be embedding writing into our improvement plan and researching what might contribute to the trend that we saw in these results,” she said. “Writing across the curriculum will be emphasized in all grade levels to ensure growth in this area.”

Interestingly, male students in the district scored significantly lower in writing proficiency than their female counterparts.

Reading performance system-wide was also below the mean of Kentucky schools.

Science measures at the middle and high schools were also below normal, while social studies results also fell below average at the middle

school. There was no assessment for social studies at CCHS.

But CCES exceeded the typical Kentucky elementary school with 36.6 percent of students rated proficient or distinguished in science compared with 30.8 statewide. In social studies, 53.9 percent of local elementary students achieved the proficiency mark against 53 percent for the average Kentucky elementary-schooler.

“Student performance is very important and we believe in accountability as we evaluate student growth through daily formative classroom assessments to end of year state tests,” Clark said of the accountability results. “It’s important to know what we are doing good while pinpointing areas for improvement.”

### Christmas events

- **Marion Christmas parade** begins at 5 p.m. Saturday. Mickey and Susan Alexander are grand marshals. Theme is Sounds of Christmas.
- **Snacks with Santa** will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at Marion Baptist Church. Crittenden County Lions Club invites families to stop by, have a snack and get children's pictures made with Santa at no charge.
- **Crittenden County Public Library open house** hosted by Friends of the Library will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday.
- **Deer Creek Baptist Church live nativity** is 6-8 p.m. Dec. 8-11 at the church on Ky. 287.
- **Fredonia Christmas parade** begins at 6 p.m. Friday. Dale and Virginia Faughn are grand marshals. Theme is Joy to the World.
- **Salem Christmas parade** will begin at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 8. Franklin Station is grand marshal. Theme is Christmases of the Past.

PARADE

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state’s longest serving city leaders. When he retired as mayor, Mickey had been in that position for almost 30 years. He has twice been the Chamber’s Person of the Year, most recently in 2017.

While local politics was at the center of Mickey’s community service, Susan’s most notable efforts were largely societal. She’s been instrumental in bringing national and international attention to the Marion Woman’s Club and its affiliates. She was a bastion of community outreach as resident director of the Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation, where she did some of her best work, organizing and participating in productions such as community theater, musicals and other forms of indigenous entertainment.

The couple says their hometown has given them so much, and for that they’re eternally grateful. It’s been their motivation for giving back.

In their early careers, Mickey was a local banker and Susan was a dental assistant. Those positions brought them face to face with a cross section of the community, and they’ve created bonds of friendship both far and wide.

“When we travel, Mickey is always proud to say he is from Marion, Kentucky,” Susan said. “He doesn’t introduce himself as being from

Kentucky or western Kentucky. It’s Marion, Kentucky.”

Susan served as state president to the General Federation of Women’s Clubs, a laudable position in which she traveled extensively to represent the commonwealth. The Federation’s international body recognized her leadership with the Charlotte Emerson Brown Award, and under her direction, the state won seven international awards. She has been a member of the Woman’s Cub of Marion for more than 30 years.

Mickey graduate from Crittenden County High School in 1967 and Susan in 1970. The both studied for a time at Murray State University, then came home to serve and lead in their hometown, something they are quite proud of.

“People here are good and kind,” said Susan.

“This is a great place to live and raise a family,” said Mickey.

Together they raised a son, Max, who now resides in Virginia and works at the Pentagon in cyber security.

Honored and humbled, they say, was the reaction to being named grand marshals of the parade.

How fitting it will be for two people who have been at the forefront of Marion’s growth and prosperity for more than three decades to ride at the vanguard of a parade that never ceases to capture the heart and soul of the community.

Faughns to lead Fredonia’s parade

STAFF REPORT

A longtime Caldwell County teacher and his wife who graduated from Marion High School will be honored as grand marshals of Fredonia’s Christmas parade.

Married for 69 years, Dale and Virginia Faughn will lead this Friday’s parade in Fredonia. The couple has lived in the Fredonia Valley for 65 years and will be honored Friday for their contributions to the community by heading up the 6 p.m. holiday procession through the streets of Fredonia.

The Faughns married in 1949 and moved to their current farm home on Good Springs Road in Fredonia in 1953. They have seven children – Phillip, Timothy (deceased), Stephen, Nathan, Mark, Ruth and Paul – and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dale, 93, a longtime teacher in Caldwell County, attended two one-room schools – Fungo and Friendship in Lyon County. He graduated from Eddyville High School in 1944 and was inducted into the Marine Corps one week after receiving his diploma. He is a World War II veteran of Iwo Jima and the occupation of Japan. He received his bachelor of science degree from then-Murray State College in 1949 and later his master’s degree and Rank I credentials.

Virginia, 91, moved to Kansas as a young child and attended school there



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Dale and Virginia Faughn have been selected grand marshals of Friday’s Christmas parade in Fredonia. Dale is a longtime Caldwell County teacher and Virginia is a graduate of Marion High School.

and in Florida, where her father’s military service in the Navy took them to live. After World War II ended, the family moved back to Marion where she graduated from Marion High School. It was in college at Murray that the couple met.

After college, Virginia taught one year at Frances High School in Crittenden County and then worked as a substitute teacher. After raising her family, she worked several years at Tressler’s in Princeton, before beginning her fa-

vorite career of babysitting her grandchildren for many years.

According to a biography announcing their selection as parade grand marshals, Virginia has spent her life being a good friend and neighbor by visiting, taking food or gifts and calling to check on others around the Fredonia Valley.

Virginia attends Walnut Grove Baptist Church in Fredonia.

Dale retired in 2011 after teaching 61 years in the Caldwell County

school system, including 23 years at Fredonia High School. He was inducted into the National Teacher’s Hall of Fame in 1998 and the Kentucky Teacher Hall of Fame in 2009.

He is also in the Baxter Blood Donor Hall of Fame and the Fenwal Blood Donor Hall of Fame and has donated more than 33 gallons of blood at Madisonville Regional Medical Center Blood Bank. He is a 1986 Kentucky Poet Laureate and has received many other professional and educational awards.

Together with artist Rick Phelps, he published seven illustrated volumes of poetry in the 1980s. He has also published a second series of four poetry books with his daughter-in-law, Pam Faughn.

He appeared five weeks on the CBS show, “The \$64,000 Challenge,” and is an extensive traveler, having been to all 50 states.

He has served as a speaker to a variety of local, state and national groups, and he has participated in hundreds of running and walking competitions. He has been involved in his community, including church activities and other civic organizations and events. Dale attends Unity Baptist Church in Fredonia.

The parade’s theme this year is Joy to the World.

LETTER

Animals at shelter lose caregiver

To the editor:

The powers that be took advantage of a very caring, competent person who for a short time was overseeing the care and well being of our furry friends at Crittenden County Animal Shelter. She did a fantastic job of cleaning up the shelter and making it presentable. She did more in that short time than the person you put back in charge ever did. Shame on you and whatever politics is behind such an act.

Barbara Steele  
Marion, Ky.

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New rules for some on Medicaid would save taxpayers \$300 million

KENTUCKY TODAY

More than 850 Crittenden Countians will be affected by last week's federal government approval of new rules for some Kentucky Medicaid participants that include a community engagement component of either going to school, getting a job or volunteering in the community to keep their government health coverage.

The Medicaid waiver is known as Kentucky HEALTH, an acronym for Helping to Engage and Achieve Long Term Health. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, made the approval, according to a news release from the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS).

CMS provided guidance that the newly approved program can begin as soon April 1, 2019. Accordingly, the PATH, or

Medicaid in Crittenden

As of June 2017, 2,617 people in Crittenden County received Medicaid, the eighth lowest total of Kentucky's 120 counties. The breakdown of recipients is as follows:

- 863: Medicaid expansion
- 186: Disabled or blind
- 1,171: Aid for families with dependent children
- 56: Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program
- 319: Medicare Savings
- 22: Aged

Partnering to Advance Training and Health, community engagement component will be rolled out regionally over a several month period, beginning no sooner than April 1, 2019.

A federal judge had halted implementation of the waiver program on June 29 just two days before it was to begin.

Kentucky HEALTH would put about 460,000 "able-bodied" adults – 850 or so who reside in Crittenden County – who

were added under Medicaid expansion that offered limited benefits that didn't include dental and vision. However, individuals could earn points toward paying for dental and vision care through volunteer activities in the community or by taking online classes through a "My Rewards" system.

They will require adults ages 19-64, with some exceptions, to complete at least 80 hours per month of "community engagement" to keep their

health benefits. That includes getting a job, looking for a job, going to school, volunteering for community service or taking a job training course.

CHFS describes Kentucky HEALTH as an innovative approach that will put Kentuckians on a path to better health and is key to ensuring the long-term viability of the Medicaid program.

According to CHFS, initial Kentucky HEALTH estimates project that the program will save the Medicaid program over \$2 billion during the five-year demonstration period, with more than \$300 million in savings to Kentucky's General Fund and will help ensure availability of Medicaid resources to the Commonwealth's most vulnerable citizens.

Another court battle to again challenge Kentucky HEALTH is expected.

Natural resource protection help available

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Conservation District will accept preliminary applications for the 2018 State Cost Share program until Dec. 7. Eligible applicants will have until Dec. 21 to submit their completed paperwork to the District for consideration.

The Kentucky Soil & Water Quality State Cost Share Program is an expense-sharing program for persons conducting agricultural or silvicultural production on leased or owned land. The cost for development and implementation of best management practices is shared between

the producer and the state through cost reimbursement. The purpose of the program is to protect the natural resources of Kentucky by creating cleaner water through the reduction of sediment into streams, rivers and lakes; to reduce the loss of topsoil vital to the production of food and fiber; and to prevent surface and groundwater pollution.

Producers select one of six main categories, each of which includes multiple detailed practices. Technicians from the Natural Resources Conservation Service assist with selecting appropriate

practices, determining unit quantities, and overall costs. A description of the practices can be found in the 2018 Kentucky Soil & Water Quality State Cost Share Program Manual.

Reimbursements are capped at 75 percent of the actual cost, not to exceed \$7,500, and are based on the approved unit rate. Reimbursement is made when the work is completed and is not allowed for work started prior to approval by the Division of Conservation.

Manuals, unit costs, and other information can be found online at

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Scouts collect food

Boy Scout Troop 3030 collected about 300 pounds of non-perishables left on door steps around Marion earlier this month for the Marion United Methodist Church food bank. "We had a few people who donated by the case," said Scoutmaster Sandy Urbanowski, adding that six full cases of various vegetables were collected. "We would like to thank all community members who donated." Pictured with some of the donations are Scouts (front, from left) Landon Sutton, Jimmy Newland, (back) Quinn Templeton and Jake Hackney. If anyone has additional donations or can benefit from assistance, contact the church at (270) 965-4580.

Crowd enjoys local Small Business Saturday giveaways from Chamber

STAFF REPORT

On a smaller scale, it kind of had the feel of a Black Friday rush to the door.

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce's third annual Small Business Saturday promotion drew a crowd of people and in less than three minutes the Chamber gave away all of the 50 goodie bags it had prepared. Some were in line

for almost an hour Saturday morning in front of the Chamber headquarters at the Marion Welcome Center. When doors opened at 10 a.m., the baskets filled with prizes, coupons and cash were gone in a flash.

Chamber officials say the program established to promote shopping in downtown Marion on the Saturday following Thanksgiving has grown

tremendously in the past few years. Based on interest, they plan to increase the promotional material next year, hopefully filling about 100 bags with items from Marion businesses.

Shopping at Marion retailers was brisk Saturday morning. Chamber President Randa Berry encourages local consumers to Shop Marion First.

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# Terrors’ big game was Thanksgiving tradition

Customs and styles may change over the years, but maybe one thing that hasn't changed is the excitement found at the high school for the students as they prepare to meet a rival team in their favorite sport event.

Another thing that hasn't changed is the rivalry between Caldwell County Tigers and the Marion Terrors, and now the Crittenden County Rockets.

Captured in the archives of The Crittenden Press is the excitement of the big rival Thanksgiving game between the Butler High School (Princeton) Tigers and Marion High Terrors. *Crittenden Press Nov. 24, 1939 Activities getting ready for the game*

Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 10 a.m., a pep assembly hour will be held at Fohs Hall with various clubs and civic organizations participating.

This is on the eve of the annual Princeton-Marion battle and is known as "A Day in Marion Before a Game." The seven periods of classroom and daily work will be dramatized on a stage set as a classroom.

Beginning with the first period, the music period will be in charge of the band, POG hour will be featured by a football scene with Coach Organ speaking for the eleven; the third period history, reveals the past records of the games between the two teams; the fourth, mathematics, is a lesson in how to keep score; fifth, English Expression

class, the cheerleaders are in charge; the sixth, shorthand, is to present signals and the signs of the game; the final, news writing, is to write headlines and feature stories describing the outcome of the game. The band concludes the program.

*Kickoff at 2:30 at Rochester Field*

Marion's Terrors meet the Tigers of Butler High, on the local field Thursday, Nov. 30, with the kickoff being scheduled for 2:30.

This event is one of the oldest in the history of athletics in the state and bids fair to be the outstanding event of the year for both schools.

Coach Organ's starting lineup will probably be: McConnell-right end. Hatcher-right tackle, Kevil Nunn-right guard, Curtis Woodall-leftguard, Encil Davenport, left tackle, Robert McMican, left end, Collin Hodge-quarterback, Roy Lemon, Morris Pace and Mose Johnson, backs.

*Former Scores*  
Former scores of the long-standing feud are: 1926 Marion 13, Princeton 0 1927 Princeton 13, Marion 6 1928 Marion 13, Princeton 0 1929 Marion 6, Princeton 0 1930 Princeton 12, Marion 6 1931 Princeton 13, Marion 6 1932 Marion 13, Princeton 7 1933 Marion 19, Princeton 7 1934 Princeton 32, Marion 6 1935 Princeton 32, Marion 0 1936 Princeton 13, Marion 12

1937 Princeton 24, Marion 6 1938 Princeton 7, Marion 7  
Out of the past 13 games, Princeton has won seven, Marion five and one tie.

The Terrors have had a successful season and are pre-game favorites by two touchdowns. However, Butler High Coach Simms, usually keys his men for the Marion game and upsets are not uncommon after the final whistle has blown.

*Marion School Band*  
Marion School Band will appear during the course of the game, resplendent in new uniforms. The band will make its first appearance in their new uniforms and will enter the field preceding the team, playing a football march.

Immediately behind the band will be the squad with mascot "Baby Lou" Williamson in the rear. The team will be escorted to the bench and then begin warm up exercises.

Ardell Holmes is the local band director. The new uniforms will arrive Monday and consist of blue whipcord capes lined with white satin and a jaunty overseas cap. Band members are to furnish trousers or skirts and they must be white. At the half, Holmes said the band will form a B in front of the Princeton stands and later an M for Marion,

concluding with a bell formation in mid-field and from this the Bells of St Mary's will be played.

Are you wondering about the outcome of the big game? So was I, as I re-typed the history from the pages of the old Crittenden Press I was anxiously waiting to see who the winner was.

*The big day, Nov. 30, 1939*

Opening the afternoon was a parade by Marion School and Butler School bands followed by presentation of bouquet to the Tiger captain by Mary Alice Chick, the Terror football queen.

Marion kicked to open the battle and the ball returned about 29 yards to the Terror 46 where a fumble turned the oval to the Tigers.

Princeton failed to gain and punted, where Mose Johnson started the first touchdown drive on the 50-yard stripe. The tiger line could not stop the plunging Terror captain nor solve the plays built around the fleet Terror backs. Johnson placed the ball on the two-yard line where he plunged over for the first score. Collie Hodge converted by a plunge thru the line.

The second score came in the second period on a pass that Collie Hodge took from Lemon. The Terror back went wide around the Tiger left end and cut to the right. Lemon took the pass from Hall, fainted, stepped back about four yards and rifled a throw that Hodge took without looking backward. All that was necessary



Mose Johnson



Mary Alice Chick

thereafter was for Hodge to cross the goal line. The play was the outstanding feature of the game and the Terror back was not thrown from stride so accurate was the toss.

At the half the Tiger band took the field and formed various formations. After this the Marion school band, making its first appearance in snappy new uniforms, formed a B in front of Princeton stands, playing the Butler loyalty. Next was M for Marion, concluding with formation of an immense bell and playing Bells of St. Mary.

Princeton's tally came late in the last period as a Terror pass was intercepted. The try for conversion was off and the game ended with a 13-6 score.

The last half was an even battle with neither team able to seriously threaten the goal lines.

The series now stands six-six with two ties being recorded. No roughness beyond that of ordinary play was no-

ticed, and the crowd was orderly at all times.

During the game, Aubrey Shaver kept the crowd informed of all the action on a speaker system provided by the Western Auto Associate Store.

*Wrap-up of the game*  
Marion defeated Princeton's Tigers 13-6, in the annual Thanksgiving battle. Mose Johnson and Collin Hodge proved too much for the depleted Tigers to stop.

Marion gained more yardage, completed more passes and completely outplayed the opponents in all phases of the game especially in the first half.

It was an exciting day for the Marion Terror fans.

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



## Class of 1958 reunites

Crittenden County Class of 1958 met for its 60-year reunion Oct. 20 at Marion Baptist Church’s Family Life Center. Pictured front from left are Paul Tabor, Martha Strong Smith, Jane Yandell McColly, Lucinda Faye Brantley Legere, Verna Newcom York, Barbara Martin Dewitt, Carol Hunt Meyer, Gary Bozeman, (second row) Mary Alice Tinsley Gilland, Linda Shaffer Cook, Virgie Wilson Collins, Sue Sigler Keeling, Faye Martin Jennings, Laureen Watson Maynard, Anna Rae Belt Porter, Sue Young Belt, (back) Jimmy Roberson, Eddie Sullenger, Donald Rushing, Wesley Cullen, Tony Collins, J.E. Hunt, Oliver York, Donnie McDaniel, Clinton “Eddie” Drennan and Willie Johnson.

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# Haitian missionary work blesses those who'd gone to serve

STAFF REPORT

Tanner Tabor said he spent days upon days preparing for his six-day mission trip to Haiti. Strategically packing his bags to get the most out of the limited space, and preparing himself spiritually for doing God's work in the Caribbean.

In the end, he and 18 other missionaries mostly from Marion's Life in Christ Church were reminded of words from the Gospel of Matthew, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them."

Their luggage was lost during the outgoing flight and they ran out of water



Pictured are missionaries who spent almost a week in Haiti, most of them are local churchgoers. They are (not in order) Wayne Hadfield, Kanley Hadfield, Noah Hadfield, Amanda Patterson, Pastor Chris McDonald, Teresa Cline, Natalie Morrison, Chasity Allcock, Travis Allcock, Abby Propst, Lacie Duncan, AJ Tabor, Tanner Tabor, Trey Hodge, Krissie Hodge, Amber Foster, Corey Martin, Veronica Herrington and Mandy Dodson.

while ministering to native Haitians in the small mountain village of Cap Rouge on the northern coast of the island.

Tabor, a Marion insurance agent on his first out-of-country mission, said he went to spread

God's love and word, but in the end, he received the greatest blessing.

"The big takeaway for me was that these people have so little, but they complain about nothing," Tabor said.

When the missionaries

learned they would not be seeing their luggage, they took a page out of the Haitian playbook and simply made do. They shared what clothing they had taken in carry-on bags and washed their underwear in rainwater. Then, it quit raining and they ran out of water for bathing or washing.

"I had no luggage and we ran out of water, but I can't wait to go back," Tabor said.

Likewise, Natalie Morrison, who works in Marion as a clerk in the courthouse, said she grew in her faith from going on the trip.

"I went there to serve, not to be served, but spiritually I was served in so many ways," she said.

She said the people have so little, but rarely complain.

"They work all day just to find a way to eat," she said. "They're so happy. I learned what real joy is

about and it's not about things. They have so little, but share everything they have."

In this particular part of Haiti, none of the homes have running water or electricity. The people subsist largely on what they gather and grow. They catch rainwater and have very little quality medical care. Sometimes voodoo is where they turn.

The Life Ansanm Ministry, which hosted this trip, has helped build a hospital in the Haitian village and its supports the local school.

"There are no trucks or cars," Tabor said, "just

motorcycles. I saw five grown men on one small motorcycle."

The missionaries had prepared to bring other supplies to the village, but much of it was lost with their luggage. By the time they were reunited with their suitcases, they'd already made the five-hour cross-island journey back to the airport at Port-au-Prince for the return flight home.

"We went there to share Jesus and impact their lives and what happened was that I was impacted. I know I got more out of it than those who I'd gone to help," Tabor explained.

## False doctrines will continue to bring more pain

God knows my heart, and I am grieved seeing the many teachings, contrary to God's word, which lead so many to put their eternal destiny at risk.

The tragic news of hundreds of church leaders being guilty of sexual misconduct is a heartbreak for them and their hundreds of accusing victims.

In the beginning God made man and woman and marriage.

To demand men and women, who feel God's call on their lives, to be celibate is not Biblical and goes against nature and nature's God. The early Christian Church never demanded this of men or women. It was a pagan practice in other cultures, but never in the original Christian doctrine.

The Apostle Paul made the statement that

it is good for men to abide as he, but every man has his proper gift of God, and it is better to marry than to burn. (Paraphrased) 1st Cor. 7:9.

The demand for celibacy among clergy is a pitfall. Look at all the grief it has caused so very many young and old.

Many of young women who are said to be church leaders are now part of the MeToo movement, claiming that they were previously abused by males in the church.

Peter is often called the first pope, yet Peter was married. Matt. 8:14.

Paul warned in 1st Tim. 4:1-3, "Now the Spirit speaks expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith... Forbidding to marry..."

What we must understand is that there is one God who will hear us.

"For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave himself a ransom

for all, to be testified in due time." 1st Timothy 1:5,6.

Praying to or through others, no matter what status the church gives to them, is not Biblical.

Yet God said: "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in Heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, and thou shalt not bow down thyself to them." Exodus 20:4,5.

Jesus said in Matt. 23:9 speaking of names for spiritual helpers, "and call no man your father upon the earth; for one is your Father, which is in Heaven."

Jesus said we all were to be servants, not lords over others.

Teaching that any human is the head of the church is not Biblical.

Jesus is the head of the Church. Eph. 1:22,23; and Col. 1:17,18.

The Church is not an institution, a list of laws or a building, it is the body of Christ, all the redeemed children of God

in Heaven and earth.

Ever since I've been in God's work, I constantly strive to get people to trust their eternal destiny on God's Holy Word, and live so they can know the Holy Spirit of God is teaching them instead of any of man's preconceived ideas.

Jesus is God's Word, made flesh and dwell among us, not just parts of God's Word, but all of it. John 1:1-3,14.

And that Jesus has said, "The word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." John 12:48

My heart's plea to all is study God's Word and ask Him to teach you all the wonderful truths He has for all of us.

It is our only hope for Heaven!

*•Rev. Lucy Tedrick, pastor at Marion Church of God, shares her views periodically in this newspaper. She can be reached at (270) 965-3269. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.*

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Emmanuel Baptist Church

108 Hillcrest Dr., Marion, Ky.

53rd Annual

Founder's Day

Sunday, December 2

Phyllis Parker and Tammy Heady will provide the music

Music & Service begin at 10 a.m.

Bro. Curtis Prewitt, pastor

Bro. Rob Ison will be speaking

Potluck Meal To Follow in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday School & Evening Worship Cancelled

WORSHIP

with us this week

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

—Matthew 18:20

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Sunday Mass 11 a.m.

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Marion, Ky.  
(270) 965-2477

Father John Okoro

Mexico Baptist Church

Minister of Youth Robert Kirby | Minister of Music Mike Crabtree

Pastor: Tim Burdon

Sunday Worship Services: 10 a.m., 7 p.m.

Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.

Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.

175 Mexico Rd.  
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Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.

Wednesday Adult Bible Study, Children and Youth Activities: 6 p.m.

Captured by a vision... Curtis Prewitt, pastor

Crooked Creek Baptist Church

261 Crooked Creek Church Rd., Marion, Ky.

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Pastor: Bro. Mark Girten

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2 Peter 3:18

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Sunday School 10 a.m. | Sunday Worship 11 a.m., 6 p.m. | Wed. 7 p.m.

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Coffee/Juice Fellowship 8:30-8:45 a.m.

Sunday School 8:45-9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship (One Service) 10-11:15 a.m.

Awana 5:45 p.m.

Limitless worship 6 p.m.

Discipleship class 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday nursery/preschool, Centershot & youth 5:45 p.m.

Wednesday prayer service 6:15 p.m.

Aaron Brown, Pastor

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Bro. Austin Weist, pastor

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-Matthew 18:20

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Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.

Sunday Night Worship Service: 6 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m.

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Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

The People of the United Methodist Church

WED.: Bible Study 5:30 p.m.

SUN: Contemporary Service 8:30 a.m.

Sun. School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:45 p.m.

Bro. David COMBS

South College St.

Tolu United Methodist Church

Bro. Alex Kirby, Pastor

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Sunday School 10 a.m. • Service 11 a.m.

Wednesday Night Youth 6:30 p.m.

Barnett Chapel General Baptist

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 6 p.m.

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334 Fords Ferry Road, Marion, Ky.

Sun. School 10 a.m. • Morning Service 11 a.m.

Sun. Evening 6 p.m. • Wed. Evening 6 p.m.

"Where salvation makes you a member."

Lucy Tedrick, pastor

Marion Church of Christ

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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Wednesday: 6 p.m.

Pastor: Charles Tabor

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Bro. Butch Gray

Wed. night prayer meeting & youth service: 6:30 p.m.

Sunday school: 10 a.m.

Worship service: 11 a.m.

Hurricane Church

Hurricane Church Rd. off Ky. 135 West

Bro. John Robertson, Pastor

Sun. School, 10 a.m. • Worship, 11 a.m.

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Wed. Evening services, 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Night Service 6 p.m.



## Area Deaths

### Clarke

William Earl Clarke, 95, of Marion died Monday, Nov. 19, 2018 at Christian Care Center in Kut-tawa.

He was a World War II veteran and member of Virgil Jones VFW Post #12022.

Surviving are a son, Randall Clarke of Beaver Dam; daughters, Tamie Clarke of Leitchfield; Rita Vickery of Marion and Lisa Benson of Marion; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida Frances Clarke; and parents, Alvin and Carrie Basham Clarke.

Funeral services were Monday, Nov. 26 at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West in Hopkinsville.

Myers Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Adams; and brothers, Raymond, Michael and Daryl Adams.

Services were Sunday, Nov. 25 at Marion Main Street Missionary Baptist Church.

### Roberson

James S. "Jim" Roberson, 78, of Marion died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2018 at Baptist Health Paducah.

Survivors include his children, Tommy Roberson of Marion, Tina Tabor of Poole and Terry Snyder of Henderson; sisters, Daisy Davidson of Marion and Janie Martin of Kentucky; special friend, June Tucker of Fredonia; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Melinda Sutton Roberson; a daughter, Annette Roberson; and parents, James S. and Daisy Roberson Sr.

Services were Monday, Nov. 26 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Rosebud Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Rosebud Cemetery.

### Day

Donna Fay Day, 53, of Metropolis, Ill., died Friday, Nov. 16, 2018 at Massac Memorial Hospital.

Surviving are her mother, Linda Jennings; three sisters, Cyndi Cox, Mary Thompson and Jacquie Cosby.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Barry Day; and her father, Donald Snodgrass.

Arrangements were under the direction of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

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Archived Obituaries

### Shewmaker

Wanda Sue Shewmaker, 88, of Marion died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2018 at Crittenden Hospital.

She was a member of Marion Second Baptist Church.

Survivors include her granddaughters, Amber Hodge of Louisville and Jessica (Justin) Bane of Marion; great-grandchildren, Arianna Hodge, Jaden Bane and Raelyn Bane, all of Marion, and Jaxson Shields of Louisville; a nephew, Claude Gass of Marion; and a niece, Terri Nesbitt of Marion.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vervil R. Shewmaker; a daughter, Jeanne Hodge; parents, Frazier and Fleta Gass; and a brother.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 27 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Mapleview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

### Garcia

Joan Garcia, 76, of Salem died Friday, Nov. 23, 2018 at Livingston Hospital. She enjoyed playing Bingo and cats.

Surviving are a son, Russell D. Carver of Knoxville Tenn.; a daughter, Tracy A. Carver Perez (Scott East) of Salem; two sisters, Jean Waterloo of Little Rock, Ark., and Arlene Salazar (Neil Luster) of Salem; a brother, Vernon W. Hodge of Ocala, Fla.; six grandchildren, Jeffery Carver, Julie Carver, Jessica (Brian) Kellog, Tim Carver III, David Carver and Ashley (LaVanda) Williams; and four great-grandchildren, Brooke, Billy, Aiden and Jaelynn.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vernon E. and Ruby Cruce Hodge; two sons, Steven Carver and "Tim" Carver; three sisters, Hazel H. Yates, Erma Lee Hodge and June Hodge Stirling; and five brothers, Mylo, Ray, Hayden, Gerald and Don Hodge.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem is in charge of arrangements.

### Cunningham

Rev. Ronnie Cunningham, 75, of Symsonia died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2018 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

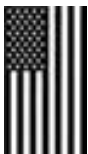
Born Sunday, Oct. 3, 1943 in Benton, he was the son of the late Cleatus and Josephine Roach Cunningham. He retired from Heinold Hog Market, then pastored at Pryorsburg United Methodist Church and Mt. Olive United Methodist Church. He was in the U.S. Army National Reserves for 22 years and was a member of Oak Level United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 37 years, Sherron Gatlin Cunningham of Symsonia; daughter, Cari Cunningham Thompson of Benton; brother, Jerry Cunningham of Symsonia; sister, Paula Cunningham West of Hardin, Ky.; and two grandchildren, Kayla Jo Wood and Tori Lynn Wood Cherry.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Ricky Cunningham.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 27 at Collier Funeral Home in Benton. Burial was at Oak Level United Methodist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Oak Level United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund. c/o Lois Cunningham, 145 Elizabeth St., Grand Rivers, KY 42045.



### Mullersman

James Franklin Mullersman, 86, of Marion died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2018 at Crittenden Hospital.

He was a Christian, retired from General Motors and served in the United States Army during the Korean conflict.

Surviving is a cousin, Janell Pyle of Marion.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bettie Lou Smith Mullersman; a son, Michael Scott Mullersman; and parents, William and Bertha Barnes Mullersman.

Services are at 11 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 29 at Myers Funeral Home. Burial will be at Mapleview Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home from 10 a.m., until the funeral time on Thursday.



### Walker

James "Jim" Dale Walker, 70 of Franklin, Ky., died Friday, Nov. 23, 2018 at his residence.

He was a member of the New Hope Full Gospel Church in Bowling Green and was a self-employed handyman.

He was born April 2, 1948 in Calloway County to the late Edwin Carlton Walker and the late Lillie Mae Fralick Moore and her husband the late Cecil Moore. He was the husband of the late Elizabeth Walker and was also preceded in death by a daughter, Dorothy Walker; and two brothers, Paul and Archie Walker.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Walker of Bowling Green; three sons Randy, Marty and Billy Walker, all of Bowling Green; two sisters, Carlene Binkley and Ann Lynn both of Marion; grandchildren, Bethany Mae Walker of Bowling Green and Amber N. Walker of Franklin; and several other grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbert Funeral Home in Franklin where services were held Tuesday, Nov. 27. Burial was at Bowling Green Gardens.

### Sisco

John C. Sisco, 47, formerly of Marion, died Sept. 6, 2018 in Tatawissa, Mo.

He was the son of James Sisco and Martha Travis. His grandparents were Curtis and Helen Sisco and John Hutchison and Dorothy Wither-spoon.

Private graveside services were held Saturday, Nov. 24 in Marion.

### Adams

David Adams, 58, died Sunday, Nov. 18, 2018 in Marion.

Survivors include his wife, Stacy Adams of Providence; children, Timothy Grant Adams of Marion, Timothy David of Madisonville, David Adams of Providence and Reese Lee Adams of Providence; his mother, Mary Adams of Marion; brothers, Nathan Adams and James Todd Jr., both of Marion; sisters, Lorie Fernandez, Shellie Jenkins and Lisa Holeman, all of Marion; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harlin Adams; a son, Ricky

#### Press Obituaries

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**Monroe A. Butler**  
Monroe Butler, 93, of Marion died Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2018 at Livingston Hospital and Health-care. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Barbara Stinnett Butler; two grandchildren, Julia and Chase Adams; one great-grandchild, Asher Dalton; three nieces, Connie Collins of Illinois, Shirley Sullivan and Elinore Gentry of Miami, Ariz.; and a nephew, Robert Paceley of St. Augustine, Fla. He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Vera Cardwell Butler; five brothers; two sisters; and a stepson, Bill Adams. Funeral services were held Nov. 17, 2018 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion with Rev. Gary Hardesty officiating. Burial was at Mapleview Cemetery.



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Blood drive is Monday at CHS

A blood drive co-sponsored by Crittenden Hospital and West Kentucky Regional Blood Center will be held from noon-5:30 p.m., Monday at the hospital. All donors will receive a free t-shirt, and \$5 will be donated to Community Christmas in Crittenden County for each pint collected.

Drawers still sought at library

The Captain Underpants-themed Drop Your Drawers collection drive is ongoing at Crittenden County Public Library. The goal is to collect 100 pair of new undergarments for girls and boys through Dec. 31. Sizes 4-16 are requested. The items collected will be donated to the Crittenden County Schools' Family Resource and Youth Services Center (FRYSC).

Calendar

– Crittenden County residents who contribute to the Crittenden County **Food Bank** through December at Louise's Flowers may pick up a free, gently used cookbook. Louise's owner Teena York is partnering with the food bank to entice citizens to make donations by offering them their choice of cookbooks from her family collection.

– Personal Finance in Marion is conducting a **food drive** through Dec. 13. All items collected will be donated to the Crittenden County Food Bank.

– Cash Express is conducting its 14th annual **toys and coats for kids drive**. All donations need to be received by Dec. 12. Additionally, the business will be host Fill The Humvee on Dec. 7.

– **Crittenden County Elementary School's SBDM** has been cancelled for December. January's meeting will be at 4 p.m., Jan. 14.

Extension

– Sue Parrent will present a **Nutrition Education Class** at 10:30 a.m., Thursday (today) at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center.

– **Crochet Corner** will meet at noon Dec. 5 and Dec. 19 at the Extension Office.

– **After Hours** will not meet in December, but will have a Christmas party on Dec. 5 at the Red Onion. Everyone is asked to meet between Farmers Bank and the Courthouse at 5 p.m.

Submit local events

Community calendar is designed for individuals, non-profit organizations and government entities to publicize meetings and events. dCall (270) 965-3191 or email [press-news@the-press.com](mailto:press-news@the-press.com) or stop by our office at 125 E. Bellville St. in Marion.

Trio school's first, earns KYA top 10

Crittenden County juniors Ellie McGowan and Anzie Gobin, along with sophomore Kenlee McDaniel, earned the honors during their school's first trip to the Kentucky Youth Association competition.

They received the prestigious Best New Delegation award along with certificates for premier delegation classification and honors for having a bill pass both the House and Senate.

McGowan received an Outstanding Delegate award for her participation in the program, something she has been

passionate about starting at Crittenden County after observing neighboring schools compete.

KYA is a three-day mock government conference in which students learn about government and how bodies of Congress function. After lobbying for the opportunity for Crittenden County High School to form a chapter, Howard Suggs, social studies teacher at CCHS, agreed to sponsor the three-person team. The team is tasked with creating an idea for a bill, lobbying for it and presenting it in front of a mock House and Senate.

The CCHS team proposed a bill that would grant adolescents the opportunity to take their intermediate driving test at 90 days rather than the previously-established six-month waiting period.

Placed in the Bluegrass division at KYA, the girls attended trainings, went to the education fair where they shared their bill with other competing teams, and then moved on to the House and Senate sessions.

The trio's bill ranked in the top 10 out of 50 bills, passing both the House and Senate. All



Anzie Gobin, Kenlee McDaniel and Ellie McGowan represented CCHS at the Kentucky Youth Association

bills that were passed in the mock sessions will be compiled and delivered to Kentucky state senators and representatives.

4th graders get manners lesson from Homemakers

Manners are something used every day to make a good impression on others and to feel good about oneself. No matter where you are – at home, school or with friends – practicing good manners is important.

Being polite and courteous means considering how others are feeling. Because of this, the Crittenden County Homemakers recently conducted a manners program with all fourth grade students at Crittenden Elementary.

Topics covered included writing thank you notes, making introductions, cell phone etiquette and table manners.

Students learned how to cut meat, pass food and what to do with your silverware and napkins

when you are finished eating. They practiced setting a table, making introductions and writing a thank you note.

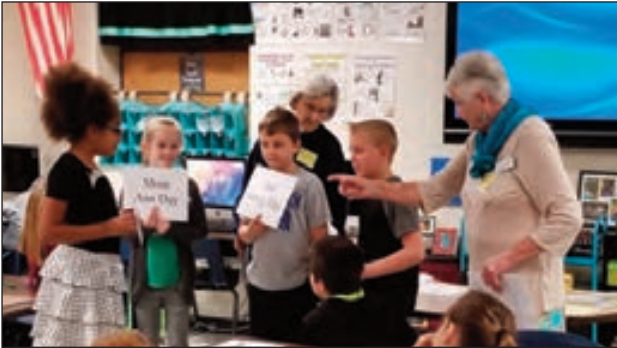
Drawstring bags were sent home with each child. The bags contain information to share with their family, a plate, cup, napkin, silverware, place mat and a thank you note. The homemakers hope the kids will practice what they learned.

Homemakers conducting the program were Darl Henley, Norma Hunt, Nancy Lanham, Janet Stevens, Sarah Ford, Jarrell James, Glenda Chandler and Nancy Hunt.

For more information on the Extension Homemakers Program contact the Crittenden County Extension Office at 270-965-5236.



**Homemakers assisting with manners instruction above are (from left) Darl Henley, Janeen Tramble, Norma Hunt, Nancy Lanham, Janet Stevens, Sarah Ford, Jarrell James, Glenda Chandler, and Nancy Hunt. At right, Chandler (center) and Ford instruct students in the proper way to make introductions.**



Rocket Role Models

October Rocket Role Models exhibiting the character trait responsibility at Crittenden Elementary are (front from left) Easton McConnell, Addison McElroy, Alayah, Jaxon Burgess, Waylon Woods, (second row) Korie Bloodworth, Cooper Rich, Case Cummins, Ellie Binkley, Ava Tabor, Karlee Jent, Brier Brown, Adley Sutton; (third row) Grayson Travis, Jett Champion, Kylie Musser, Ella Hoover, Jack Porter, Erin Korzenborn, Maddie Hearell, (back) Damien Ingalls, Colt Belt, David Abshire, Paxton Vincent, Jaisen Lineberry and Hayden Peak.

Senior Center

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

The center is closed until Monday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

– Thursday: Menu is chicken and brown rice casserole with buttered spinach, wheat roll, margarine and banana pudding.

– Friday: Menu is baked spaghetti, broccoli salad, Mandarin oranges and garlic breadstick. Bingo with Penney begins at 10:30 a.m. Birthday cake will be served to celebrate November birthdays.

– Monday: Menu is chicken fajita pasta, buttered broccoli, carrot raisin salad,

garlic breadstick and margarine. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness begins at 9:45 a.m.

– Tuesday: Menu is beef stew, brown rice, cole slaw, cornbread and chocolate pudding.

– Dec. 5: Menu is BBQ pork on whole wheat bun, baked sweet potato, pinto beans and Snickerdoodle cookie. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability. PACS provides milk, coffee, tea or water each day. Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center.

The center is a service of Pennyriple Allied Community Services.

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

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The family of Monroe Butler wishes to thank every one for their calls, visits, prayers, cards, flowers, wreaths, gifts and food. Thank you for the meal prepared for us by Union Baptist Church. Thank you to all who paid their respects and had a story to tell. Thank you Bro. Gary Hardesty for the message and "Remembering When" by you and his nephew Robert Pacey. Thank you to the pallbearers and staff of Gilbert Funeral Home.

Barbara Butler and Family

The Pennyriple District Health Department

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HEALTHY and HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

Give your family and friends the gift of YOU this year.

Take care of your health!

1 Get plenty of rest, eat right and exercise this holiday season to be at your best.

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3 Just enjoy the company of your family and friends!

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**BASKETBALL**  
**This Week's Games**  
**THURSDAY**  
MS girls host Caldwell County  
**FRIDAY**  
Boys & Girls at Trigg County  
**SATURDAY**  
Girls host Ballard Memorial  
**TUESDAY**  
Boys & Girls at Caldwell County  
MS boys at Caldwell County

**District champs**  
An article in last week's newspaper said Crittenden County has won only three Fifth District championships in school history. To clarify, that should have said since consolidation. Prior to consolidation of the city and county schools, the county school did win district basketball championships in 1951, 1953, 1954, 1956 and 1957. Marion and Crittenden County consolidated in the fall of 1957.

**OUTDOORS**  
**Hunting Seasons**  
Deer Archery Sept. 1 - Jan. 21  
Turkey Archery Sept. 1 - Jan. 21  
Raccoon Hunt Oct. 1 - Feb. 28  
Deer Crossbow Nov. 10 - Dec. 31  
Squirrel Nov. 12 - Feb. 28  
Raccoon Trap Nov. 12 - Feb. 28  
Bobcat Trap Nov. 12 - Feb. 28  
Fox Hunt/Trap Nov. 12 - Feb. 28  
Dove Nov. 22 - Dec. 2  
Canada Goose Nov. 22 - Feb. 15  
Snow Goose Nov. 22 - Feb. 15  
White Front Goose Nov. 22 - Feb. 15  
Bobcat Hunt Nov. 24 - Feb. 28  
Turkey Gun Dec. 1 - 7  
Duck Dec. 3 - Jan. 27  
Deer Muzzleloader Dec. 8-16  
Dove Dec. 22 - Jan. 13  
Deer Youth Free Dec. 29-30  
Raccoon Youth Dec. 29 - Jan. 4  
Fox Youth Dec. 29 - Jan. 4  
Crow Jan. 4 - Feb. 28  
Goose Conservation Feb. 16 - March 31  
Coyote Year Round  
Groundhog Year Round

**Crittenden No. 2 in KY**  
Crittenden County hunters bagged about 500 deer over the final week of rifle season, which ended Sunday. The long Thanksgiving weekend allowed many gunners the opportunity to take some additional antlerless deer. Crittenden's total harvest through Monday of this week – which includes all weapon seasons to date – was 2,977 deer. Of those, 1,561 (52%) were antlerless. The county currently ranks second in statewide harvest figures, right behind Hardin County where two more whitetails have been taken than here.

**Area runners in NC**  
Crittenden County sophomore distance runner Kate Keller turned in a time of 21:36 in a cross country race at Saturday's Foot Locker Southern Regional at Charlotte, N.C. It was the last official race of the high school cross country season. Keller finished 109th out of 202 freshman and sophomore runners. Livingston Central's Carsen Kitchens finished 125th out of 250 sophomore male runners from across the Southeast. His time was 18:15.61.

**BASKETBALL**  
**Crittenden Middle School Results This Week**  
**Crittenden 29, Lyon 24**  
7th Girls: Riley Smith 11, Hannah Long 8, Elliot Evans 2, Anna Boone 6, Chloe Hunt 2.  
**Lyon 38, Crittenden 30**  
8th Girls: Macie Hunt 2, Natalie Boone 14, Brylee Conyer 3, Taylor Guess 9, Riley Smith 2.  
**Caldwell 44, Crittenden 29**  
7th Boys: Travis Champion 5, Jaxon Hatfield 2, Micah Newcom 5, Levi Piper 3, Casey Cates 5, Tyler Belt 1, Caden Deboe 4, Bennett McDaniel 2, Tucker Riley 2.  
**Caldwell 55, Crittenden 36**  
8th Boys: Preston Morgeson 20, Seth Guess 8, Evan Belt 3, Zach Counts 1, Travis Champion 4.

Webster County 75, Crittenden County 36

Rockets not ready for Webster's onslaught

STAFF REPORT  
After opening the season with a 75-36 loss to Webster County, the Rocket basketball boys will now roll up their sleeves and get ready for a run through the Fifth District.  
League games begin Friday with a varsity boys' and girls' doubleheader at Trigg County where CCHS coach Denis Hodge will challenge former Rocket and longtime friend Payton Croft and his Wildcats. Crittenden has won in two of the last four trips to Cadiz, and lost by only a point there last season.  
Over the last 10 years, Trigg has been a tough place to play for the Rockets. They've only won three times there in the past decade.  
Against Webster's unrelenting, attacking offense Tuesday night at Rocket Arena, Crittenden was clearly not ready to match the Trojans right out of the box. The Rockets – with several players just two practices into basketball season because of football's success – fell behind early with some unvarnished play against the Trojans, who are ranked among the top seven teams in the region, according to the pre-season media poll. Crittenden got behind by double digits in the first period but cut it to nine for a time in the second quarter before Webster pulled away.



Crittenden senior Gavin Dickerson reaches in trying to take the ball from Webster County sophomore Destin Allen during both teams' opening game on Tuesday. At right, sophomore point guard Gabe Mott drives for a basket. He led CCHS with 18 points.

<b>Webster 75, Crittenden 36</b>	
Webster Co.	23 44 67 75
Crittenden Co.	11 19 30 36
<b>WEBSTER</b> - Harmon, Camplin 9, Skinner 3, Barnhill 8, Geary 4, Bumps, Turner 4, Felter 3, McNaughton 17, Douglas 19, Winn 4, Allen 3. FG 26. 3-pointers 8 (Skinner, Barnhill, Felker, McNaughton, Dou-	

glas 3). FT 15-20. Fouls 11.	
<b>CRITTENDEN</b> - Erik O'Leary 3, Sawyer Towery 6, Gabe Mott 18, Gavin Dickerson 2, Sean O'Leary, Tyler Boone 6, Braxton Winders, Ben Dobyms, Jayden Carlson, Hunter Boone 1. FG 14. 3-pointers 2 (E.O'Leary, Towery). FT 6-13. Fouls 17.	



Lady Rockets unstoppable at Army base

STAFF REPORT  
Out of the chute to start the new varsity basketball season, the Lady Rockets smoked Fort Campbell 57-13 in a road contest that was more about improving team continuity and timing than honing a competitive edge.  
When coach Shannon Hodge opened her 26th season at the controls, her team swamped the Lady Falcons with a myriad of offensive weapons. Sophomore center Nahla Woodward scored all five of her

points in the first period and classmate Jaelyn Duncan came off the bench early for four points that period, finishing with a dozen.  
Eighth-grade point guard Taylor Guess led the Rocket girls with 13 points, scoring five in the second period as Crittenden led 34-5 at the break.



Guess

<b>Crittenden 57, Ft. Campbell 13</b>	
Crittenden County	19 34 48 57
Fort Campbell	3 5 7 13
<b>CRITTENDEN</b> - Taylor Guess 13, Chandler Moss 5, Shelby Summers 4, Matthia Long 4, Nahla Woodward 5, Lilly Hayes 3, Natalie Boone 2, Lilly Perryman 4, Jaelyn Duncan 12, Kacie Easley, Ashton Binkley, Kate Keller, Grace Driskill 5, Ashley Wheeler. FG 26. FT 5-12. Fouls 3.	
<b>FT. CAMPBELL</b> - L.Powers, A.Powers 7, Mailos, Dugger 6, Houston, Gonzalez, Taylor, Pollock. FG 4. 3-pointers 3 (Dugger 2, Powers 1). FT 2-4. Fouls 9.	

Opportunities abound for duck hunters

A cold weather front started pushing in Sunday – the last day of the early Thanksgiving waterfowl appetizer – giving duck hunters a tiny taste of what could be on the horizon.  
“Waterfowl hunting in Kentucky is nearly 100 percent weather dependent,” said Wes Little, migratory bird biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. “We will have more birds to hunt if we get cold weather to the north of Kentucky. If we continue with this cold weather, we should have a good season.”  
The duck season, which was open for four days last week over the holidays, will reopen Monday and run through Jan. 27.  
Little said fantastic habitat conditions for waterfowl await those birds headed this way.

“The moist soil vegetation such as wild ryes, annual smartweeds, millets and sedges are looking great across the state. The habitat is here and population wise, we are living the glory days,” he explains.  
A slight dip in duck numbers in 2018 resulting from adverse weather conditions during breeding season in the prairie-pothole region on the northern Great Plains and Canada in 2017 should not concern waterfowl hunters.  
“We are still well above the long term average for duck numbers,” Little said. “This trend is basically a blip and should not impact hunting at all.”  
New public waterfowl hunting opportunities on Sloughs Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Henderson and Union counties offer a chance

for excellent hunting each week of the season. Little explained hunters who have not put in for a quota hunt on the area may try for a minimum of 10 slots via a weekly draw each Monday night of the season.  
“Nine of those slots are on the Jenny Hole Unit with one on the Sauerheber Unit,” Little explained. “More slots may be available if those drawn for quota hunts on the area don’t check in on the Sunday before their hunts.”  
Waterfowl hunters on Ballard WMA in Ballard County, an anchor of Kentucky waterfowl hunting for decades, no longer have to hunt from

blinds.  
“For the first time, a few boat-in hunting spots are available on Ballard WMA,” Little said. “There are many wade and shoot opportunities as well.”  
Boatwright WMA, also in Ballard County, and Doug Travis WMA in Carlisle and Hickman counties, offer daily walk-in waterfowl hunting. For more information on these opportunities, refer to the 2018-2019 Kentucky Waterfowl Hunting Guide available in a printable PDF format at the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife webpage at [www.fw.ky.gov](http://www.fw.ky.gov).

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# County's child well-being measures mixed bag

STAFF REPORT

The well-being of youth in Crittenden County is on par with others statewide, according to the 2018 Kentucky KIDS COUNT County Data Book.

The 28th annual look at the welfare of Kentucky children by county was released earlier this month and offers the latest data on 17 measures of child well-being, showing whether outcomes for youth across the state have improved, worsened or stayed the same over a five-year period.

"Core to our mission, we believe that children of every background and in every part of Kentucky deserve all the tools and opportunities that we as a commonwealth can provide," said Dr. Terry Brooks, executive director of Kentucky Youth Advocates, which produces the report. "This book serves as an annual report card for how we are meeting that charge for all of our kids."

The 2018 County Data Book allows users to investigate areas in which Kentucky and its counties are making progress and those needing focused attention for improvement. It highlights data in four domains of child well-being: economic security, education, health and family and community.

Health





Crittenden County child well-being fared best among the five measures of health, improving across the board in 2016 from 2011. Though most of the local health criteria ranked among the top half of Kentucky's 120 counties, the number of births to teen mothers 15-19 was much higher than the state norm – 45.3 per 1,000 teens to 31.7 statewide.

Compared to surrounding counties, the local health measures lagged behind Livingston and Lyon counties, fared about the same with Webster and Union counties and were better than Caldwell County.

After decades of progress, Kentucky's rate of insured children statewide has reached an all-time high at 96.7 percent (95.9 locally). All 120 counties have improved rates in children having health coverage. Kentucky has also improved overall in the percent of low-birth-weight babies with 73 out of 120 counties seeing improvements. Crittenden

Crittenden County

KIDS Count County Profile 2018\*

		Previous data	Latest data	Change since previous report	Ranking among Ky. counties/districts
<div>HEALTH</div> <div></div>	Smoking during pregnancy	19.9% 2013-15	18.7% 2014-16	▼	32 of 120
	Low-birthweight babies	9.3% 2013-15	8.1% 2014-16	▼	42 of 120
	Children under 19 with health insurance	94.9% 2015	95.9% 2016	▲	88 of 120
	Young adults (19-25) with health insurance	84% 2011-15	80% 2012-16	▼	52 of 120
	Teen births (rate per 1,000 females 15-19)	52.0 2013-15	45.3 2014-16	▼	85 of 120
<div>FAMILY AND COMMUNITY</div> <div></div>	Births to mothers without a high school diploma	26.8% 2013-15	26.8% 2014-16	▲	114 of 120
	Children in out-of-home care (rate per 1,000 children 0-17)	46.9 2014-16	46.9 2015-17	▼	73 of 119
	Youth incarcerated in juvenile justice system (rate per 1,000 children 10-17)	24.1 2014-16	24.1 2015-17	▲	86 of 114
	Children living in high-poverty areas	78% 2011-15	78% 2012-16	▼	82 of 120
<div>ECONOMIC SECURITY</div> <div></div>	Children in deep poverty (below 50% of the federal poverty level)	10% 2011-15	12% 2012-16	▲	40 of 105
	Children in poverty (below 100% of the federal poverty level)	31.3% 2011	29.2% 2016	▼	66 of 120
	Children in low-income families (below 200% of the federal poverty level)	49% 2011-15	53% 2012-16	▲	57 of 120
	Children living in food insecure households	20.8% 2015	19.9% 2016	▼	51 of 120
<div>EDUCATION</div> <div></div>	Kindergartners ready to learn	46.6% SY 2016-17	55.4% SY 2017-18	▲	44 of 171
	Elementary school students proficient in reading	49.5% SY 2016-17	45.7% SY 2017-18	▼	150 of 173
	Middle school students proficient in math	36.5% SY 2016-17	38.9% SY 2017-18	▲	125 of 173
	High school students graduating on time	79.6% SY 2016-17	90.3% SY 2017-18	▲	134 of 167

GREEN

Better

RED

Worse

BLUE

No change

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Data unreliable or unavailable

\*The 2018 Kentucky KIDS COUNT County Data Book offers the latest local data on 17 measures of child well-being, showing whether outcomes for children have improved, worsened or stayed the same over a five-year period. It also ranks where the county or school district ranks among others statewide. Detailed data is available for every county in Kentucky.

County's rate of 8.1 percent was lower than the statewide 8.8 percent.

Family & Community

While health was improved locally, three of the four most recent measures of family and community were worse than five years prior. All four were below the state average.

Crittenden County fell short of improvement against benchmarks in children living in high-poverty areas (79 percent), children in out-of-home care and births to mothers without a high school diploma, which rated 114 of 120. Only the number of youth incarcerated in the juvenile justice system improved from 2010-12, falling from 34.6 per 1,000

children 10-17 to 28.3.

The county's general measure of family and community was worse than all surrounding counties. At zero percent, Lyon County, in fact, ranked best in the state for children living in high-poverty areas.

More children in approximately half of Kentucky's counties are living in high poverty areas, which are more likely to have high rates of crime, violence and unemployment, and lack of access to high-performing schools, quality health care and safe outdoor spaces. Also, the rate of children in out-of-home care continues to rise in 92 counties, fueled by parents struggling with addiction.

Education

While the county's education system appears to be working well for early learners and those winding up their compulsory education, data suggest it is lagging in reading and math proficiency for those in between.

The percent of local kindergartners ready to learn in 2017-18 was above the statewide rate (55.4 vs. 51.4), and the graduation rate was even with the Kentucky average of 91.3 percent. Both are significant improvements

over the 2012-13 school year. Across Kentucky, the rate of high school students graduating on time has increased in 119 of 167 school districts.

But the percentages of local elementary students proficient in reading (45.7) and middle-schoolers proficient in math (38.9) were worse than five years earlier and significantly behind statewide proficiency – 54.6 percent and 47, respectively.

Measures in education were overall worse than Livingston, Lyon and Cald-

well counties, but rated fairly evenly with Webster and Union counties.

Economic security

Kentucky Youth Advocates recognizes a high school diploma is essential to achieve economic self-sufficiency, and with the improvement in graduation rates, Crittenden County and 92 others saw a drop in the percentage of children living in poverty. Locally, the rate fell 3.3 points from 2011 to 29.2 percent in 2016.

The percentage of children in low-income families remained steady locally at 53 percent. The rate of children in high poverty families was 12 percent in 2012-16, even with the statewide rate. Meantime, the percentage of Crittenden County youth living in food-insecure households rose, albeit by the slightest of margins from 19.8 percent in 2011 to 19.9 percent in 2016.

Economic security measured better in Livingston, Lyon and Union counties. However, Crittenden County matched Webster County and bested Caldwell County.

Even with growth in economic measures, nearly a quarter of Kentucky kids live in poverty.

Data for every Kentucky county can be found at [KyYouth.org/kentucky-kids-count](http://KyYouth.org/kentucky-kids-count).

This year's edition of the County Data Book takes a dive into the impact of trauma, specifically abuse and neglect, on children's health and well-being. The book's opening essay explains how studies show high rates of childhood abuse among youth in the juvenile justice system, especially among girls. It also discusses how addressing the root cause of a child's behavior, instead of criminalizing it, helps break the cycle of abuse and incarceration too many Kentucky youth experience.

"These pressing challenges call for smart policies, innovative solutions, and focused attention on our priorities. The more we support all Kentucky children to grow up healthy, hopeful and contributing to the community, the brighter our future looks," said Brooks.

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