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## Marion man killed in Union County wreck

A Crittenden County man died in a two-vehicle auto accident in Union County Tuesday, according to social media posts by his family. Calep Hackney, 28, of Marion died, and a passenger, Misty Markham, also from Marion, was injured and taken to Deaconess Hospital in Evansville, Ind.

## Local food assistance schedules unchanged

Monthly food distribution through Crittenden County Food Bank and the USDA Commodity Food Supplemental Program, or Senior Food Box, will remain on their regular schedule for December despite the holidays. Senior Food Box distribution will be Friday, Dec. 15, while the food bank will give out on Friday, Dec. 22. All distribution takes place at Crittenden County Assistance Center at 402 N. Walker St. in Marion.

## Requests for city funds will end Dec. 29

Local organizations hoping to receive allocations from the City of Marion in the next fiscal year will have to fill out an application to request funds. The application period for money from the 2018-19 budget ends at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 29. Applications are available at city hall or from the city's website at MarionKy.gov. Before the budget is approved next year, the city's finance committee will review requests and make recommendations to the city council. For more information, contact City Administrator Adam Ledford at (270) 965-2266.

## No driver tests given this week in county

There will be no road or written driver testing in Crittenden County Friday. But for those who already have a license, Crittenden Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill reminds them that Frankfort no longer mails renewal reminder cards, saving the state about \$250,000 annually. Operating on an expired license can be costly for Kentucky's 3.6 million drivers. The fine is \$250, plus \$143 for court costs.

## Public meetings

- Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 a.m. Thursday (today) at the courthouse for a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to re-finance jail bonds.
- Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees will convene at 5 p.m. Thursday (today) at the library for a special meeting.
- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday (today) in the high school library for its regular meeting.

# Salem Democrat looking to unseat Bechler

By DARYL K. TABOR  
PRESS EDITOR

A Salem woman has filed to seek the statehouse seat currently held by Lynn Bechler of Crittenden County, but the incumbent is hoping to keep his office.

Abigail "Abbie" C. Barnes, a Democrat, filed last Wednesday with the Kentucky Secretary of State's office to run for state representative in House District 4, which includes Crit-

tenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of northern Christian County. She is an attorney with Alford Law Office in Paducah and has a background in family and criminal law.

Meantime, on Tuesday, Bechler, R-Marion, filed his paperwork to seek re-election in next year's election. A retired IBM executive, he will bid for his fourth term in Frankfort.

Barnes, 39, wants to be

part of a solution to woes plaguing the state, including a drug problem and disappearing employment opportunities in western Kentucky.

"I am keenly aware of the meth crisis, especially in our district," she said, adding



Barnes



Bechler

that she will be trying to find solutions to the drug problem through criminal justice reforms. "We are also in a position of losing our workforce. There are not a lot of job opportunities in our district. We need to strengthen the middle class

and bring jobs back to our area so our kids don't have to leave to support themselves."

Barnes has also been focused on Kentucky's public employee pension crisis.

"That pension is a promise and (we need to) support the people taking the effort to raise and educate our children. They are the people that teach our kids," she

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# Christmas kickoff



Al and Angela Starnes, pictured Nov. 17 with their daughter Lonna on the field of Rocket Stadium following the high school football team's final game under Head Coach Al Starnes, have been selected grand marshals of Marion's Christmas parade scheduled for 5 p.m. Saturday. The couple, both longtime employees of the school district, are retiring at the end of the academic year. At right, Marion Utilities Director Brian Thomas begins decorating the city Christmas tree Monday at Marion Commons. City maintenance crews spent the day Monday decorating town for the holidays.



# Starneses heading up annual holiday parade

STAFF REPORT

Longtime educators and coaches Al and Angela Starnes have been selected to serve as grand marshals of Saturday's Christmas parade in Marion.

The couple, who moved to Marion in 1991 when Al was lured here to coach the high school football team, will lead the event that be-

gins at 5 p.m. along Main Street in Marion. Line-up starts at 4 p.m., and parking along the parade route will be prohibited starting at that time. Several holiday-related events have been planned around the parade, including treats at

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several downtown locations.

Weather won't feel much like Christmas, however. It is forecast to be clear and in the low 50s at parade time.

The Starneses have

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## Weekend holiday highlights

Marion's Christmas Parade starts at 5 p.m. Saturday along Main Street, with lineup beginning at 4 p.m.

There will be no parking along Main Street after 4 p.m. Saturday due to the Christmas parade.

There were more than 40 entries as of press time, with almost 10 floats, both more than last year's parade.

Several Marion businesses and organizations will be serving hot drinks and treats.

For children, there will be Snacks with Santa, a special holiday Story Hour and Christmas movies at Fohs Hall.

# Heating bill subsidy period ends Dec. 15

STAFF REPORT

Local residents struggling to stay warm this winter still have time to apply for assistance with heating costs. Application for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for Crittenden Countians who qualify for federal assistance continues through the middle of next month.

LIHEAP helps about 150,000 low-income families in Kentucky pay their heating bills in the winter through the Office of Community Services at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Children and Families. Locally, assistance can be applied for through the Marion

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# New bank groundbreaking scheduled for next Thursday

STAFF REPORT

First United Bank President and CEO Jason Hawkins has officially announced that a new banking center will be built in Marion. The new bank will be located at 305 N. Main St.

"We've been serving Crittenden County for a few years now, mostly filling loan needs," said Hawkins. "Several of those customers want us to open a banking center locally. We are excited to make the move, bringing the full array of our services to the area."

First United is a community bank with locations in



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Madisonville, Beaver Dam and Earlington. The bank was started 21 years ago by several business leaders who wanted to bring community banking back to western Kentucky.

Marion native Chris Findley is a senior vice president with the bank, and he believes this will be good for both the bank and the area.

"Crittenden County is a close-knit county," he said. "The people are proud of their community and highly involved in its success. That's why First United is such a great fit. We are committed to community support and involvement in every market we serve. This will be a great partnership."

The banking center is scheduled to open in the summer of 2018. A public groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. next Thursday at the site of the new bank. It is located where Just-A-Burg'r restaurant once stood.



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# Wet, mild winter anticipated

THE MAYFIELD MESSENGER

It's time to get the snow shovels ready... and maybe the umbrellas, too.

Long-range forecasts call for western Kentucky to have slightly above normal temperatures this winter, but also above normal likelihood for not only snow but sleet, freezing rain, thunderstorms and tornadoes.

"Just be prepared is the best advice I can give you for this winter," said Mike York, weather program leader and forecaster for the National Weather Service's Paducah office.

York was one of several people who addressed a crowd of about 100 emergency managers, transportation, hospital and school officials and media representatives during the National Weather Service's Winter Weather Workshop last week in Grand Rivers.

York explained that a weak La Nina weather system, in which the temperature in the Atlantic Ocean near the equator is cooler than normal, typically leads to warmer temperatures in the southern United States and cooler temperatures in the North, sandwiching western Kentucky in between.

"Of course, you know what happens when you have a collision of warmer and cooler temperatures," York said. "You have a lot of fireworks." In general, he said, that means more storms. Whether those storms are snow or warmer weather with thunder and lightning may depend upon other factors, in part.

One of those is what is called the North Atlantic oscillation. Rick Shanklin, warning coordination meteorologist at the National Weather Service's Paducah

office, explained it as a weather pattern that either allows cold Canadian air to filter south to the United States or blocks its arrival. The oscillation so far has been negative, allowing the cold air through, but forecasters can't determine if it's likely to change until about two weeks beforehand.

Last year, the oscillation remained positive virtually all winter, leading to the mildest winter on record at the weather service office in Paducah. This year, it's starting out negative.

"We had a record warm fall last year and we obviously don't have that now, so we're starting out on the wrong foot if you don't like cold weather," York said.

Shanklin said the negative oscillation, combined with La Nina, typically means western Kentucky gets what he calls a greater spectrum of

precipitation, not just snow or just rain.

"We always have that risk but even a little more risk of sleet and ice this winter," he said.

York said in addition to the increased risk for a mix of different kinds of winter weather, "short but intense outbreaks" of arctic air or snow are possible.

As part of attempts to simplify terminology, the National Weather Service is reducing the kinds of winter weather alerts it will send out beginning this winter.

A lot of people didn't know what a weather advisory was, which was something more than a watch but less than a warning, York said. As a result, the weather service will no longer issue freezing rain advisories or blizzard advisories. Instead, the only advisory offered will be a winter weather advisory.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Conservation event for cattle farmers

An informational meeting for cattle farmers and owners of septic systems is scheduled for next month in Marion.

A variety of information will be presented concerning several aspects of conservation, including areas of cost share and loan programs, fencing for livestock exclusion, ag water quality plans, septic systems and straight pipes, conservation practices and soil. Presentations for the outreach program will be made by the USDA, state agencies and others.

The Thursday, Dec. 14 event runs from 6:30 to 8 p.m., with dinner served at 6 p.m. at the Marion Ed-Tech Center on Industrial Drive.

The meeting is being sponsored by Pennyriple Area Resource and Conservation Development (RC&D) Council in Hopkinsville. It is directed

at livestock farmers and septic system users in Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Lyon and Webster counties.

To determine the number of attending, those planning to attend are asked to call the Pennyriple RC&D office at (270) 885-5600 or email turner1224@gmail.com. For further information, contact Crittenden County Extension Service at (270) 965-5236 or Farm Service Agency office in Salem at (270) 988-2180.

### County committee ballots due to FSA

Farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers are reminded that Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committee election ballots are to be returned to the Salem FSA offices by Monday to ensure that their vote is counted. Producers who have not received their ballot should pick one up at the FSA office.

"Producers only have a few more days until that Dec. 4 deadline," said Kentucky FSA Executive Director Brian Lacefield. "I urge all eligible farmers and ranchers, especially minorities and women, to get involved and make a real difference in their communities by voting in this year's elections. This is your opportunity to have a say in how federal programs are delivered in your county."

Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked no later than Monday. Newly-elected committee members will take office Jan. 1.

### Church serves 267 Thanksgiving meals

Marion Baptist Church served more than 250 meals at its annual community Thanksgiving dinner last week.

According to Laura Koon, church secretary, there were 145 meals served at the Fam-

ily Life Center and 122 carry-outs or deliveries. Leftovers, she said, were shared with Celebrate Recovery later that night.

### Bennett now KACo president-elect

Caldwell County Magistrate Elbert Bennett is now the president-elect of the



Bennett

Kentucky Association of Counties (KACo). A resident of Fredonia, he was previously the second vice president and is set to become president of KACo for the 2018-19 year. Bennett is the immediate past president of Kentucky Magistrates and Commissioners Association and received the KMCA Public Servant of the Year Award in 2012.

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said, being sure to not exclude other government employees, including those in public safety. "They are the people that protect us on a daily basis. If we can't keep that promise to them, I don't know how we expect to find quality people in the future."

Infrastructure is another concern.

"Our roads and bridges are in terrible shape," Barnes said.

Barnes has lived in Livingston County for 35 years after her parents, Dr. William and Jamie Barnes, moved to the area. She graduated from Livingston Central High School in 1996 and received her undergraduate degree from Murray State University. She obtained her law degree from the Salmon P. Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University. She has spent three years each as a prosecutor and representing indigent clients at the Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy.

Barnes believes the rancorous, divisive nature of Washington does not have to filter down to Frankfort or back home. Democrat or Re-

publican, we are all facing the same issues at home in western Kentucky, she said.

"When you look (people) in the eye and talk to them about the things they are concerned about on a daily basis, it's easy to find common ground," Barnes explained.

She and her husband James live in Salem with her two children, Rain and Evelyn.

Bechler faced no opposition in either the 2016 primary or general elections, and hopes to continue his efforts to make the Bluegrass State a better place to live.

"The Commonwealth has come a long way since I first arrived in the House of Representatives in 2013," said Bechler, 71. "But Kentucky continues to face the challenges left to us by the previous administration. Our pension is in a crisis, our tax code needs to be reformed, and opioids continue to plague our great Commonwealth. I hope the people of the 4th District will send me back to Frankfort so I can continue my work on these and other important issues."

Bechler graduated from St. Louis University with a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering. He first worked in the aerospace and automotive

industries and eventually went on to work in sales, technical support and management for IBM before retiring.

He is a member of several House session committees — Transportation; Economic Development and Workforce Investment; and Elections, Constitutional Amendments & Intergovernmental Affairs. He also sits on the interim committees of Transportation, Economic Development and Workforce Investment and State Government. He is co-chairman of the Program Review and Investigations Committee.

According to a release from the Republican Party of Kentucky announcing his candidacy, Bechler has tutored at Crittenden County High School, officiated high school sports, served as a foster parent and served as a little league boys and girls coach. He is currently a member of the Crittenden County Lions Club, Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce, National Rifle Association, Gun Owners of America and is a member of both of the national and Kentucky Right to Life organizations.

He and his wife of 47 years, Kathy, attend St. William Church in Marion.

"As I look to my grandchild-

ren, I want to leave them a better future than the one my parents left for me," said Bechler. "I've spent my time in office as a strong advocate for family values and children's issues, spoken out for the unborn, and supported reducing the size of government. If given the chance to return to Frankfort in 2018, I'll continue that focus so we can leave a better future for all Kentuckians."

Locally, Commonwealth Attorney Zac Greenwell has filed to seek re-election in the 5th Judicial Circuit that represents Crittenden, Webster and Union counties. Greenwell, a Marion Democrat, filed his paperwork Friday.

Elsewhere, Samuel "Sam" Gaskins, a Hopkinsville Democrat, has filed to run for the 1st Congressional District seat currently held by James Comer, R-Tompkinsville. Comer defeated Gaskins in both a special and regular election in November 2016 to take over the post held by longtime Congressman Ed Whitfield, a Hopkinsville Republican who resigned his seat. Comer has not filed yet, but is expected to seek re-election. His district includes all of western Kentucky.

The filing deadline for partisan races is Jan. 30.

## LIHEAP

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office of Pennyriple Allied Community Services (PACS).

LIHEAP has two components. The subsidy component provides assistance to eligible households, and sign-ups end next month. The crisis component begins in January and provides assistance to eligible households experiencing a home heating crisis.

LIHEAP applications for the subsidy component of the program in Crittenden County only will be accepted at the local PACS office today through Friday, Dec. 15. Applications are taken alphabetically in order of the last name of the head of the household on pre-determined dates, but the next three Fridays — Dec. 1, 8 and 15 — offer open dates for anyone who may have missed their opportunity.

As part of the application process, individuals must bring the following information on their designated ap-

pointment date to the PACS office:

- Their most recent heating bill or verification from their landlord that the heating expenses are included in their rent.

- Proof of Social Security number for each member of the household.

- Proof of household income for all members for the preceding month.

- The account number and name on the account for all heating fuel sources and electric.

To be eligible for the subsidy program, a one-person household must be at or below a gross monthly income of \$1,307. Add \$453 for each additional household member. Other eligibility requirements state individuals must be responsible for home heating costs or pay heating costs as an undesignated portion of rent.

Benefit amounts range from \$34 to \$274, with the average benefit being \$150 per household. All vouchers are paid directly to the primary fuel vendor with no

funds being distributed directly to the applicant household.

LIHEAP will take applications for its crisis component of the program from Jan. 8 through March 31, or until available funds have been expended. Benefits may take the form of fuel deliveries, service reconnection, blan-

kets or sleeping bags, loan of space heaters and emergency shelter. Crisis relief will be provided within 48 hours or 18 hours if an emergency.

For more information on the subsidy and crisis components of the LIHEAP program, call the PACS office in Marion at (270) 965-4763 or visit the office at 402 N. Walker St.

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# Rileys grand marshals of Fredonia's parade

STAFF REPORT

Leading Fredonia's nighttime Christmas parade next week will be a couple who has been active in the community for six decades.

Jimmy and Ethelyne Riley will be honored as grand marshals of the Friday, Dec. 8 parade beginning at 6 p.m. It is the second year for the lighted parade, which organizer Michelle Travis said seems to offer a little more Christmas spirit.

Jimmy is a 1951 graduate of Fredonia High School, while Ethelyne finished school three years later in Lyon County. The couple married in 1956, and have been active in the community since.

After serving two years in the Army, Jimmy ran Riley Trucking Co. from 1954 to 1983. He has been a member of the Fredonia City Council for 15 years, and served as interim mayor. He has been a member of the Lions Club for 60 years and is the only surviving charter member. He was also a member of the American Legion, a volunteer fireman, helped with restoring the African-American school



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**Jimmy and Ethelyne Riley are grand marshals of Fredonia's lighted Christmas parade scheduled for 6 p.m. Dec. 8.**

and oversaw the building of Fredonia's walking trail.

Ethelyne owned a beauty shop and then worked as the city clerk for 36 years. She has been a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Fredonia Lioness Club and Fredonia Homemakers Club.

Both have been active members of Fredonia First Baptist Church since they married. He served as a trustee and has been a member of the choir and brotherhood, while she has been a member of Woman's Missionary Union, or W.M.U.

# Cash Express, MPD again collect toys for local kids

STAFF REPORT

Cash Express is once again collecting toys, foods and coats in cooperation with Marion Police Department to benefit disadvantaged residents at Christmastime. This will be the 14th year for Fill the Humvee, according to store manager Lorie Curtis.

The drive will be Friday, Dec. 8 at the store on Morningside Drive, part of the Darben Plaza shopping center. Goods will be collected from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. However, donations will also be accepted prior to that time.

"They're great," Curtis said of Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal and Assistant Chief Bobby West. "Both are really good at it, but Bobby makes sure to get a lot of

## Angel Tags up

Community Christmas Angel Tags are up at Conrad's Harvest Foods. The tags contain the gift wishes of disadvantaged local youth. Toys will be distributed to participants next month

people involved."

Cash Express collects the goods locally for distribution at Community Christmas, scheduled for later in the month to help families and seniors in need during the holidays. But the impact is not just local, each of the company's almost 400 outlets in four states participate in local holiday collections.

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worked in the local school district for the past 27 years, and they will each be retiring at the end of the academic year. Al is currently pupil personnel and transportation director at the central office, and Angela is a physical education teacher at the elementary school and athletics director for Crittenden County Schools.

"It's so fitting that Al and Angela are Christmas parade marshals since they have lived out their careers here, giving hope and bringing joy in all they do as teachers, coaches and leaders," said Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark. "They are a true team that makes a positive impact on the lives they touch in our school district and in the community."

In addition to being dedicated educators and raising their only child, Lonna, in Marion, they have also been active in a number of community events, most prominently Relay for Life. Both are cancer survivors and they have been especially committed to cancer awareness and fundraising for the American Cancer Society. They were selected as Crittenden County Relay for Life King and Queen in 2014.

"Having known Al and Angela since they moved to Marion, I can say that they are the perfect choice," said Marion City Councilman Dwight Sherer, who is also a videographer for football games. "Their involvement in

the community embodies what the Christmas spirit is all about."

The Starnes' daughter is also in education. She is a teacher and coach in McCracken County.

The couple has lived in the Greenwood Heights subdivision virtually their entire time here. They plan to sell their home next summer and move to a lake house they've been building in Trigg County. Angela is interested in pursuing some type of educational work in the future, and Al is a licensed real estate agent who intends on making that his full-time, post-retirement career.

Angela was recently notified that she has been selected as a 2018 inductee to the Kentucky High School Athletics Association Hall of Fame. She will be the first person from Crittenden County to earn that distinction; however, she's largely being inducted because of her high school track career. She still holds the Class A girls' 100-meter state record, which she set in 1980.

"This is just icing on the cake for us," said Al, who was also honored last week as the 1st District Class A Football Coach of the Year. "Everything we're experiencing this year has been great and this such an honor for us."

Angela says she will have special candy for tossing at the parade.

"I'm so elementary. I can't help myself. I ordered little football and Santa candy," she said with a chuckle.

# There's No Place Like Home for the HOLIDAYS

This weekend

## Snack with Santa

- Saturday from 2 p.m. until parade time in Marion
- Located at Marion Baptist Church
- Sponsored by Crittenden County Lions Club

## Crittenden County Public Library Open House

- Saturday from 3 p.m. until parade time in Marion
- Warm up before Marion's Christmas parade with coffee and hot chocolate courtesy of CCPL Friends of the Library. There will also be a special holiday Story Hour at 4:15 p.m.

## Marion Lighted Christmas Parade

- Saturday at 5 p.m. down Main Street
- Theme: Hometown Christmas
- Grand marshals: Al and Angela Starnes
- Farmers Bank & Trust Co. will be open, offering hot chocolate, coffee and holiday snacks. The community is also invited to enjoy cookies, hot chocolate and Christmas carols in the social hall of Marion United Methodist Church following the parade, which is sponsored by Partners Insurance.
- For more information, call (270) 965-5015.

## A Children's Christmas Movie Night

- Saturday at 7 p.m. at Fohs Hall in Marion
- Following Marion's Christmas parade, admission is free for this theater-style projection of two animated movies. The first features the tale of a well-known mouse in the telling of a Charles Dickens masterpiece. A second film is the story of a yellow-shirted boy with a white beagle who tries to find the true meaning of Christmas.
- Concessions will be for sale
- Sponsored by Community Arts Foundation

## A Hodge Podge Christmas:

### A Concert with a Little Bit of Everything

- Saturday and Sunday at 6 p.m. each night
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 - Dec. 8 at 6 p.m.  
 - Theme: O Christmas Tree  
 - Grand marshal: Jimmy and Ethelyne Riley  
 - Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church will be open to offer warm drinks and goodies.  
 - For more information, call (270) 625-6939

**Breakfast with Santa**  
 - Dec. 9 from 8 a.m. to noon  
 - Admission is \$10 to the Marion Woman's Club building for the annual fundraiser for Mary Hall-Ruddiman Canine Shelter. Enjoy a pancake breakfast and visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Bring your own camera for pictures.

**Salem Community Christmas**  
 - Dec. 9 at 4 p.m. until parade time  
 - Pictures with Santa at Salem Fire Department; hot chocolate and cookies at Farmers Bank & Trust Co.; gingerbread house making and soup next to the pavilion on Main Street; hot cider, chocolate covered pretzels and a prize drawing for a basket at Salem Herb Shop; and also goodies and prize drawings from Glenn's Prescription Center, Bowtanicals; Boyd Funeral Directors; Miracle Word Church and Forerunners Tabernacle. There will be caroling, chili and hot dogs at Salem Baptist Church after the parade.  
 - For more information, call (270) 988-2600

**15th annual Salem Lighted Christmas Parade**  
 - Dec. 9 at 5:30 p.m.  
 - Theme: An Animated Christmas  
 - Grand marshal: Former parade director and long-time Salem City Clerk Hazel Croft  
 - For more information, call (270) 988-2600

**Deer Creek Baptist Church Live Nativity**  
 - Dec. 9-11 from 6 to 8 p.m.  
 - Actors portray biblical scenes in a recreated Bethlehem with live animals and demonstrations on the church grounds off Ky. 297 west of Marion.

**'Tis the season for sharing**  
 If your church is having special Christmas services, a children's play, caroling or a cantata, or if your community organization is hosting a holiday event, send us your information for publication.  
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Community Arts Foundation hosts **A Children's Christmas MOVIE NIGHT** **FREE Admission** **Concessions For Sale**  
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**7 PM, Dec. 2, Fohs Hall** following Marion's Christmas Parade  
 One movie features the tale of a well known mouse in the telling of a Charles Dickens masterpiece. The second film presents the story of a yellow-shirted boy who tries to find the true meaning of Christmas.

Crittenden County Public Library **OPEN HOUSE** **Saturday 3-5 pm**  
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# Mineral museum gets new roof for Christmas

By **MIMI BYRNS**  
STAFF WRITER

Christmas is coming early for the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum.

In early October, Princeton Lumber Co. began working on a renovation project for the museum that is expected to end the problem of a leaky roof as well as to make the facility compliant with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

Tina Walker, curator of the museum, hopes the final work will be finished by the end of December. The museum was awarded a large Community Development Block Grant two years ago to start the much-needed work. But before the contractor could start up, several studies – including an archeological study of the property – had to take place before the money became available for use.

"Our building was declared dilapidated, so we were able to get a federal grant for around \$280,000," Walker said of the grant administered by the Kentucky

Department for Local Government and financed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. "We were awarded the grant in 2015, but the work started (seven) weeks ago.

"The overhaul includes handicap parking on Walker Street, and a brand new roof, which I am very excited about. No more leaks."

Walker said the leaky roof was the main reason the grant was sought. Both bathrooms are being redone to meet handicap accessibility as well.

The back of the building has some structural issues, so the floor is going to be lifted and stabilized. The workers are repouring the front porch and the sidewalk going down to College Street. They have already put a new sidewalk at the rear of the building because it was leaning and a new handrail on the back porch will be added.

The grant doesn't cover all interior damage that has been done by the leaking water, so private donations

are needed. New carpets and remodeling of the damaged walls is next on Walker's list of goals, as well as seeking funds to buy glass for the cases in which the minerals are stored for exhibition.

"The federal funds will cover replacing the damaged ceiling tiles, but we still need funding for replacing the carpets and the walls that have been affected by the rain," Walker explained. "So, any private donations will be greatly appreciated."

The Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum has been located inside the former elementary school next to Fohs Hall since 1995. The building belongs to the county and was initially damaged in the 2009 ice storm.

It took the county two attempts to get the grant, which is going to preserve the space for future generations. This project was a subject of huge support of the community in hopes that the one-of-a-kind collection of artifacts will stay preserved for the lovers of the local flourspar mining history.



Walker



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Phillip Dunn (foreground) and Cody Cunnigan of Bri-Den Co. of eastern Kentucky continue work Tuesday afternoon to put a new roof on the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum. The roof is being funded with a federal grant to renovate the structure. Bri-Den Co. is a subcontractor of Princeton Lumber Co., which was awarded the bid to complete a wide-ranging project.



PHOTO BY ALLISON EVANS, THE PRESS

## Special delivery

To help speed up holiday deliveries within the city, the UPS has selected Marion as one of a half-dozen western Kentucky cities for a unique method of operation. Kenny Vasseur of Benton spends his day loading packages from a storage unit in Marion and delivering to about a dozen stops in town before returning to his East Bellville Street starting spot and reloading his E-Z-Go golf cart. Outfitted with a large, locked box on the back of the city-approved vehicle, Vasseur delivers between seven and eight loads a day. He said it helps the UPS save fuel and prevents Crittenden County drivers from working so late into the afternoon during the busy holiday delivery season. Other cities participating in the golf cart delivery service for UPS are Benton, Murray and Paducah, according to Vasseur.

## Fredonia man probed by fed

THE TIMES LEADER

Operators of a Princeton gun shop are facing possible federal charges after an investigation by agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, along with Kentucky State Police and Caldwell County law enforcement.

David Bates, 52, of Princeton and Thomas B. Mason, 44, of Fredonia were taken into custody earlier this month in connection with the probe. They were arrested Nov. 17 after search warrants were executed at their homes and their business, One Shot Guns & Ammo.

According to state police documents, the men are accused of selling controlled substances out of the business on U.S. 62 West.

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# Springs interesting piece of local history

As I read The old Crittenden Presses and peer over any old maps of Crittenden County that I can find, it is interesting to see all the mineral springs as well as other natural well-known watering springs of yesteryear.

Some are well known by many and others are not so familiar, but certainly all played an important role in our county history, whether it was located near a family home and farm, a watering place on a much traveled road, or a place of special enjoyment.

Here is some interesting information about a few of the springs in our county that were prominent enough to be written about in the pages of The Crittenden Press. The Press editor in 1896 recognized the importance of our abundant springs.

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August 13, 1896 - Crittenden County seems to be honeycombed with mineral springs. Of course Crittenden Springs stands at the head, and there are others long known for their medicinal virtues.

Recently Mr. T. D. Stone, five miles east of town, has discovered a spring on his farm and its waters are pregnant with medicinal qualities and are attracting considerable attention locally.

W. D. Wallingford has opened a sulphur spring one mile east of Marion and the people of this vicinity are drinking largely of its cooling waters.

Several of our young society ladies concluded to have a quiet picnic one day last week. Procuring the necessary vehicle and loading it with all kinds of goodies, including their saucy and fascinating selves, they hasten themselves to the cool and umbrageous shades of Alum Springs.

Those composing the party were: Misses Nar Nunn, Fannie Cooper, Cal Cossett, Mary Dorr, Dixie Givens, Laura Miles, and Mrs. Fannie Cook as chaperone. After the party the remainder of the evening was most pleasantly spent at the Crittenden Springs Hotel. (Although this doesn't really tell us where this spring was located, it is thought that the spring was located near the old rock quarry on Ky.1668, not far from the famed Crittenden Springs Hotel, and as the ladies later went to the Crittenden Springs Hotel it must have been close by.)

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There are several other springs in the county whose waters have been compounded in nature's labora-

tory with chemicals that have beneficial influences on the human mechanism.

Crittenden Press August 12, 1897

The Hill Spring, about seven miles southeast of Marion, has long been prized for the medicinal qualities of the waters in disease of the kidney and bladder, and there are lots of people who testify to its virtue in this respect. (This spring was named for Robert Hill, an early Crittenden County pioneer who first owned this land.) This spring was also known as Medical Spring, as it is shown on the topographical map of that area.

Hill Spring, in the Woodall neighborhood, promises to be quite a resort this season. The grounds have been cleaned off, some done, and other conveniences arranged for campers.

Last year a number of families went into camp there and it is reported that at least 75 families have signified their intention of spending a few weeks there this summer. The water possesses fine medicinal qualities, and the location is a superb one for an outing.

This little woodland paradise is growing more interesting day by day as the campers grow accustomed to their surrounding and snuggle themselves more comfortably in the temporary homes.

Perhaps few people realize the importance of the little spring, which is located six miles south of Marion, three miles south of Berry James' and one and one half mile south of J. Frank Conger's and just beyond the widow Turk's.

This famous spring is a popular place for many families to go and spend at least a month there. The only thing that keeps some folks alive for 11 months in the year is the anticipation of spending the other month at this fountain of youth. A careful analysis of this famous water made by Dr. Kilmer, of Swamp Root fame, shows it to be H<sub>2</sub>O. Aqua Fontana, one of the greatest health giving formulas known to be contained in any spring.

If you drink plenty of this water, it will quench the thirst in from two to four weeks and if applied externally with Grandpa's Soap it will remove the dirt in about 30 minutes from the average person.

Drink the water, and, unless you prove an exception

to the rule, these results will follow: Your appetite will improve from the first day, it will wax vigorous and strong, and the pure enjoyment of eating will be revealed to you; sleep will become sweet and sound; the whole system will become invigorated and life will put on new attractions.

These waters tone up the stomach and stimulate the liver and kidneys, and are what the physicians call a diuretic and alternative.

You can boil eggs in this water, cook tomatoes, beets, onions or anything else that can be cooked in ordinary water. If boiled with a liberal supply of "red cow coffee" makes a splendid beverage for the morning meal. By adding two pounds of bacon cured and

two gallons of this famous water and boiling for two hours you can have as fine beans as can be had in Boston or as delicious cabbage as you can get in Detroit. This water will freeze at a temperature of about ten above and make first class ice.

We have neither time nor space to expatiate on all the virtues of this wonderful water, but suffice it to say that it will cure anything from an ingrown toe nail to cholera and if you will soak your feet in this water once each day it will cure corns and bunions and remove any odoriferous matter from them.

One peculiarity of the water is that the more you drink the more it will help you. It goes about this way: The first thing in the morning drink a pint of water from a bright tin cup just before breakfast, after breakfast take a little exercise and then drink one half quart of more water from the Spring and so on through the day.

It has been the custom of some of our best citizens to camp at or near this bubbling materia medica during the month of August for a number of years and this August has been no exception.

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Today the directions to get to the spring would be six miles out Ky. 506 until you reach Ky. 1107 this road will take you to the location of a church house, the old road is still there by the church, but now it just leads to a home. The road that used to lead to the spring isn't there anymore, and I don't know if the spring still flows or not. At one time this old road would come out



**Brenda Underdown**  
County Historian

### Forgotten Passages



on the Lone Star Road, not too far from the Hill/Woodall Cemetery.

The late Rev. James Boone was also familiar with the popular camping area, as he grew up in this part of the county. He once told me he remembered the spring being surrounded by a 30 foot square of concrete with a shed built over the spring. It had a pump so that the water could be pumped out and taken by bucket to the camp sites for use or you could sit under the shed and drink the water. He remembered that several of the businessmen of Marion had even built cabins around the spring site, so their families would have a summer home to enjoy the area and partake of the health-giving waters.

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Crittenden County has had many of these springs, many of them now have dried up, either by acts of nature, or by acts of man, and the names of many of them have been lost over the years as the families die and the lands are sold.

But these natural springs



Although no pictures exist of the popular Mineral Springs, the old photo above gives us a good idea of how the area might have looked. Directly above, the Gum Spring that was located at the Crittenden Springs Hotel was Crittenden's most famous mineral spring, it was known for its medicinal cures from places near and afar.

are definitely a part of the history of our past and many of the springs continue to serve the farmers today as water for their stock.

But the tin cup or gourd that used to hang on a tree

near many of the springs for the passersby to use for a cool drink, are absent now, as we are afraid to drink of these waters, as they aren't as pure as they once were.

## Hepatitis outbreak monitored

The Kentucky Department for Public Health has declared an outbreak of acute hepatitis A with cases in multiple counties in Kentucky.

In total, 31 cases of acute (rapid onset with symptoms of illness) Hepatitis A have been reported throughout Kentucky in 2017, a 55 percent increase above the average of 20 cases per year reported over the past 10 years. Most of the cases have been reported in the Louisville area, but cases have also been reported as nearby as Christian, McCracken and Hopkins counties.

Public Health staff have conducted enhanced surveillance for acute hepatitis A cases, investigated each new case in a county to identify risk factors and close contacts, and recommended postexposure prophylaxis for susceptible close contacts. In addition, laboratory specimens from recently diagnosed cases have been sent for specialized genetic testing of the hepatitis A virus at the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta.

Hepatitis A is a vaccine-preventable illness. All children, aged 1 year through 18 years, are recommended to get the Hepatitis A vaccine.

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## OPEN LETTER TO MEMBERS of the Heritage at Marion Country Club

Dear Members & Prospective Members,

The Heritage at Marion Country Club is my passion, and my commitment to Gareth Hardin and the members of Marion Country Club is as strong or stronger today as the day Gareth Hardin addressed the members on my behalf in 2014. I am a proud Kentuckian, and contrary to perhaps some speculation, I have no intention of our club failing or closing.

I want to share with you my thoughts regarding our historic golf course and other club facilities.

My first thought is an apology to the membership for the problems we have had the last two seasons with our bent grass greens. Regardless of any contributing reasons or circumstances, the condition of our golf course is my responsibility, and I did not get the job done, and I am truly sorry and apologize to each member!

We have studied and also consulted with the USGA, Kentucky Golf Association and others regarding how to fix our problem. The first part of December, a university expert will run several tests on our course to look for any underlying contributors to our problem greens! We have been working diligently to improve our greens in the meantime.

This is my

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These new simulators will allow our patrons to "play" (full swings using your clubs or ours and play every shot including putting) such courses as Pebble Beach, Spyglass, Medina, Bethpage Black, Firestone, Pinehurst and many other well-known courses. The models we purchased were used to hold a tournament in New York by Arnold Palmer and grandson Sam Saunders. The simulators provide our patrons with a practice "facility" with diagnostic information to help improve your game! Our simulators will be installed in the main dining room upstairs in our restaurant. Sandwiches, salads and homemade soup and proprietary menu pizzas will become available during the hours we are open for scheduled use of the simulators. Chips, soft drinks, iced tea, etc., will also be available. We anticipate certain organized competition events to occur during this winter and spring.

commitment: If we do not feel we can maintain bent grass greens that are considered very acceptable, I will convert to Bermuda greens as soon as the first growing season occurs in 2018. My study has led me to believe that I would choose the same Bermuda type that Calvert City chose. We

will also purchase covers for each green that must be used during certain temperatures during the winter months. Of course, Bermuda greens also require correct, timely maintenance to maintain an excellent playing condition.

To my fellow citizens of Marion and surrounding cities: The Heritage at Marion Country Club and Eddie King

request your help in the development of membership and usage of our golf course, swimming area and restaurant facility.

Our golf course did not fail us, I failed the golf course! Firmly I believe my study and education has improved my ability to understand more regarding improvements that need to take place in all areas of our club.

My oldest son, Nathan King, and his wife Cindy join me in our excitement about our current new projects and plans for 2018.

Sincerely,  
Eddie King

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## So good Thanksgiving had its day

It has been a wonderful Thanksgiving season this year, after so many years of so many people advertising the sacred celebration of Christmas days before Thanksgiving even comes.

That has been a subject for me in this column for years.

The beautiful decorations so many have taken their time and money to remind us of Thanksgiving is so rewarding, and they deserve the credit for jogging our memory.

Also, thank God the Amish live near us and raise all kinds of the pumpkin family and that farmers had small bales of hay available.

It has always bothered me to see so many people act like they are not thankful for the price God and thousands of men and women since the American Revolution have paid for our freedoms, peace, security and afflu-

ence, the likes of which cannot be found elsewhere in the world.

God so arranged the minds of our predecessors that the date for Thanksgiving was set so there would be plenty of time for the world to pause to at least be reminded to be thankful, then prepare our hearts and lives for being grateful for His coming to earth in the form of a lowly human being to suffer and die for our wretched sins.

It is sad to see so many want the merriment and gifts of the Christmas season, and not the Christ who gave it all and can so swiftly take it all away.

So bunches of kudos to all who put

out the appropriate decorations that kept out hearts and minds toward at least the word Thanksgiving. I do hope all had a blessed one, and will always be grateful for what so many did to stand in our places so we could have it.

Now, as we all look toward the blessed season we commemorate the birth of our Savior, may we all be not only grateful for the season, but for His taking our place in suffering what we all deserve, keeping us out of Hell, and do what it takes to benefit it.

*Editor's note: 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.*



Rev. Lucy TEDRICK  
Guest columnist  
Religious and Political Views

### Local Faith-Based Events & Church Outreach

#### Post-parade carols, cookies at MUMC Saturday

The community is invited to enjoy cookies, hot chocolate and Christmas carols in the social hall of Marion United Methodist Church following the Marion Christmas Parade Saturday evening.

#### Emmanuel hosting Founders Day celebration

Emmanuel Baptist Church is celebrating 52 years on Sunday. The church, at 108 Hillcrest Drive in Greenwood Heights subdivision, will host a Founders Day celebration with special music and a meal. The music and service begins at 10 a.m., with pastor Curtis Prewitt. Servant's Heart Gospel Group will provide the music and Bro. Rodney Cude will be speaking. A meal will follow in fellowship hall. Sunday School and evening services are cancelled.

#### Sugar Grove CP Church hosts Texans

The Texans, a Christian musical group who gained fame in Branson, Mo., will be playing at 6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 10, at Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The group was twice awarded the honor of Branson Entertainers of The Year and most recently has formed TIM, Texans International Ministry, producing, providing and distributing resources to missionaries at home and across the world. Their performance is more than just a gospel concert, it is an evening of inspiration, laughter and fun.

#### 4th Saturday is Fredonia clothes closet

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

#### Food Pantry is open on third Thursday

First Baptist Church of Fredonia food pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in Coleman Hall of the church.

#### Clothes available at Mexico Baptist Church

The clothes closet at Mexico Baptist Church is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday.

#### First Baptist has clothes closet on Thursdays

The clothes closet of First Baptist Church of Fredonia is open from 1 to 3 p.m. every Thursday at the church's Family Life Center.

#### Blessing Box open 24-7 in Livingston County

Cave Springs Baptist Church between Lola and Joy in Livingston County offers food 24 hours a day, 7 days week at its outdoor Blessing Box in front of the church.

#### Does Your Congregation Have Something Planned?

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Dec. 5 7 p.m.	Bro. James Duncan
Dec. 6 7 p.m.	Bro. Lonnie Knight
Dec. 7 7 p.m.	Bro. Gary Murray
Dec. 8 7 p.m.	Bro. Rodney Phelps
Dec. 9 6 p.m.	Bro. Steve Stone & The Stone Family



Come join us at:  
**Main Street Missionary Baptist Church**  
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A love offering will be collected each night to give to the speaker for that night.



Friar Lawrence Chase spent a few days in Marion recently while on a bicycling trip to promote prayer.

## Cycling monk asking for prayer fabric sent to D.C.

STAFF REPORT

A Virginia monk bicycling south stopped in Marion last week to spread the word about his crusade to flood the nation's capitol with prayers.

Friar Lawrence Chase wants to make American history. The U.S. military veteran trained as a Benedictine monk is hoping to make a profound influence on the "present day toxic and rancorous political atmosphere" by using prayer flags hung on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

Chase is asking people he meets in communities along his journey to submit prayers written on fabric to his church in Lorton, Va.

"When the American people, gathered together as one body of faith, write prayers coming from their faith and arising out of their belief and commitment to God and their country, when they have written prayers assembled into one spectacular, unforgettable and magnificent display seen by the world, their prayers will, in effect, be claiming space, land, time and air for Providence," Chase wrote in a press release about this American Faith Unity Tour.

He hopes the display of prayers will transform what he calls the "filthy and foul" into what is just and righteous.

"This spectacle of prayers covering the National Mall not only will be long remembered as a humble and beautifully inspiring act, but will turn back the Leviathan that the marriage between greed and federal power has birth," he said.

"We all have become swallowed by a great obscenity of gigantic proportion. Legislators have far too often seen the concerns of the people as but episodes of trivial importance getting in the way of their major work protecting those people who have enormous amounts of money. We have seen how the fruits of labor, the bounty of what Providence has created, the yields of virtuous behavior have been unjustly handed over to those who idolize money and have instituted greed at the cost and detriment of the common people."

Chase asks that prayers be sent to the Church of George Washington Pohick Episcopal, 9301 Richmond Highway, Lorton, VA 22079.

## 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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Minister of Youth Robert Kirby | Minister of Music Mike Crabtree  
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Sunday discipleship training: 6 pm  
Wednesday worship service: 7 pm

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## Area Deaths

### Earls

Ernestine Earls, 83, of Marion died Nov. 18, 2017 at Crittenden Hospital.

Surviving are sons, Garth Falling Water of Marion and Randy Wooley of Parsons, Tenn.; sisters, Sybil Mench of Hindsville, Ark., and Acele Garner of Texas City, Texas; and a brother, Jack Earls of Texas City, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Green S. and Ivy Idell Beach Earls.

No services are scheduled. Myers Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Butler

Carmen Emery Butler, 90, of Marion died Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017 at Crittenden Hospital.

Surviving are his wife, Lois Gass Butler of Marion; a daughter, T. Renea Truitt of Marion; two grandchildren, Jeff Butler and Becky Bryant, both of Marion; five great-grandchildren, Harley and Rachel Butler, Aubrey, Eden and Ryker Bryant, all of Marion; a daughter-in-law, Brenda Butler Taylor of Princeton; and several nieces and nephews, along with Bobby Ayers.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bennett Edward and Ella Drury Fowler Butler; a son, Ronnie Butler; three brothers; and four sisters.

Services were Sunday, Nov. 26 at Myers Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Freedom Cemetery.

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### Belt

David Alton "Speedy" Belt, 54 of Paducah, formerly of Crittenden County, died Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017 in Paducah.

Surviving are his daughter Katie Sisco of Paducah; a sister, Candy Yates of Marion; three step-sisters, Gina Rudolph of Marion, Kathy Young of Henderson and Phyllis Campbell of Marion; a brother, Larry Yates of Sullivan; and a granddaughter, Amber Lynn Sisco.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Danny Belt; two grandchildren, David Lee Nathaniel Sisco and Emily Elizabeth Rose Caraway; his step-mother, Rose Belt; and his parents, Alton and Martha Myers Belt.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 29 at Deer Creek Cemetery in Crittenden County.

Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem was in charge of arrangements.

### Croft

Dr. Blanton Osborne Croft, 84, of Hagerstown, Md., died Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017 at Meritus Medical Center near Hagerstown.

Born Oct. 27, 1933, in Salem, he was the son of the late Frederick Vernon Croft and the late Ruth Elizabeth (McDaniel) Croft.

He graduated with a bachelor's degree from Murray State University, received his master's degree from the University of Michigan and his Ph.D. from Purdue University. He was a college professor at West Georgia University, Purdue University, University of Maryland, Northern Virginia Community College and Hagerstown Community College. He retired after 42 years in 2000.

He was a member of Disciples of Christ and First Christian Church. He also was a member of American Legion Post 0297, University of Michigan Alumni Association,

Purdue Alumni Association, National Community Association, Southern States Community Association, Virginia Community Association, Meritus Medical Center Auxiliary, Playmakers Theatre, Washington County Senior Volunteers, Senior Center Standing Committee and COA Advisor Council.

He served as an intelligence training officer with the U.S. Army at the Fort Knox Training Center.

Surviving are his wife of 61 years, Betty J. Bell-Croft; daughter, Ruth Annette Croft-Holland and husband, Maurice, of Ellicott City, Md.; two sons, Ronald D. Croft and wife, Pamela, of Ashburn, Va., and Phillip W. Croft and wife, Carrie, of Pepperell, Mass.; brother, Clayton Croft and wife, Debbie, of Marion, Ky.; grandchildren, Rachel, Ariel and Jordan Croft, Trevon, Jasmine, Jada Holland, Jasmine and Jocelyn Paul; and great-granddaughters, Makayla and Delilah Rose

Marta.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Violet Marie Croft-Harris.

Services were Thursday, Nov. 30 at First Christian Church in Hagerstown with the Rev. Jake M. Caldwell officiating. Burial will be Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Pythian Ridge Cemetery in Sturgis.

Memorials may be made to First Christian Church, Education Commission, or American Cancer Society, 1050 Industrial Blvd., Cumberland, MD 22502.

### Hunt

Marvin Hunt, 83, of Marion died Monday, Nov. 27, 2017 at his home.

Arrangements were incomplete at presstime. Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion is in charge of arrangements.

### Local teen hurt in Illinois crash

STAFF REPORT

A Crittenden County teen was seriously injured in a single-vehicle accident in Illinois over the holiday weekend.

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Kemper was taken via air ambulance to a St. Louis hospital where he remains in serious condition.

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## Dine-in health initiative Dec. 3

 BY NANCY HUNT  
 GUEST COLUMNIST

The "Dining In" for Healthy Families is coming up Dec. 3. Members of the Crittenden County Extension Homemaker Association along with other Family & Consumer Science professionals in the county are asking families to make and eat a healthy dinner together on Dec. 3.

The "Dining In" for Healthy Families theme was chosen because:

"There's a nationwide obesity epidemic, especially in children and teens, and a lot of that has to do with unhealthy eating and lack of food preparation knowledge.

"Research has shown that the whole family benefits from family mealtime by having better nutrition, improving family communication, fostering family traditions, and teaching life skills, such as meal planning, budgeting, and food preparation.

"Encouraging families to prepare simple, healthy meals and eat together supports the essence of family and consumer sciences: "Creating Healthy and Sustainable Families."

Local Extension Homemakers hope many local families will strive to eat together a healthy meal on December 3 in addition to the 200,000 families estimated in the nation who will make and eat a healthy meal together.

"Dining-in" does not have to take place on Dec. 3. Individuals can select another date to celebrate to fit their family's busy schedules.

To learn more about this observance go to: <http://www.aafcs.org/fcs-day/home>. You can fill out a commitment form on the web site and be eligible for prizes. Also, follow it on twitter at #FCSDAY and #healthylfamsellie.

## Calendar

— West Kentucky Regional Blood Center will sponsor a blood drive Monday at Crittenden County Hospital Education Building from noon-5:30 p.m. Crittenden County Lions Club will receive \$5 for each unit of blood collected which will also help four people. Give the gift of life and receive a t-shirt.

— Cash Express will host its 13th annual coat and toy drive for the children, accepting toys, coats and non-perishable food items through Dec. 12.

— Cash Express is pairing with Marion Police Department to **Fill The Humvee** from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Dec. 8. Donations of new toys, coats and canned good will be given to Community Christmas.

## Extension

— Crochet Corner will meet at noon Dec. 6 at the Extension Office.

— The Extension Quilt Club will meet at 11:30 a.m., at Anna Mae's on Main Dec. 8.

— Morning Glories Homemakers will meet at 11 a.m., Dec. 11 at the home of Sharon Giltz.

— Christmas on a Budget will be presented from 4-7 p.m., Dec. 11 at the Extension Annex.

## Harris joins Extension staff

 BY MIMI BYRNS  
 PRESS REPORTER

Longtime Marion Eyecare technician Kristi Harris has moved across town, now working in staff support at the Crittenden County Extension Service.

Harris, a Crittenden County High School graduate, has lived and worked in the county most of her life and joins the team replacing Rebecca Zahrt, who recently left Marion to become a full-time minister at the Madisonville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Harris worked at the Marion Eye Center for 10 years as a certified paraoptometric. She holds an associate's degree from West Kentucky Technical College.

"I applied for the position at the Extension Service because I love working with people," Harris said. "I like the fact that the Extension Service helps the community and that is something I want to be a part of. I am learning a lot about all the different ways the Extension office helps and educates the community."

Harris is a former Chamber of Commerce executive secretary, where she helped organize community events, so it is similar, she said, to some of the job duties at the



People probably recognize Kristi Harris from the Eyecare Center of Marion. Harris is now the staff support secretary at the Extension Service.

Extension office.

Harris hopes to bring new ideas to the Extension office that would help the community. Harris has been married for 23 years to her husband Joe, and her favorite hobbies are riding motorcycles, flea marketing and photography.

Harris is a member of the Mary Hall Ruddiman animal shelter board and has two dogs herself.



## Centennial celebration

Marion resident Ethel Tucker (seated) who celebrated her 100th birthday Wednesday, welcomed visitors to her Marion home Sunday. Pictured are Carolyn Belt and Linda Cook, as Tucker signs copies of a memoir she wrote celebrating her 100 years in Crittenden County. In lieu of cards or gifts, Tucker requested that donations be made to Community Christmas, and as a result, \$1,100 is being donated to the charitable holiday event in her honor.



## October Rocket Role Models

October Rocket Role Models at Crittenden County Elementary, selected for their display of the character trait of responsibility, are (front from left) John Luke Reddick, Laura Cummings, Tyler Atwell, Shelby Miles, Sydney Keller, (second row) Burnie Bradford, Gage Adamson, Camden Lanham, Kevin Little, Kailee Atwell, Gracie Fowler, Natalie Mills, Sarah Grau, Caydence Rushing, (third row) Grace Vinson, Marlee Sosh, Erin Korzenborn, Eli Herrin, Maddie Hearrell, Bella Williams, Holley Curnel, Presley Potter, Lindsey Wyatt, (back row) Andrea Federico, Aiden Curnel, Macie Conger, Abigail Martin, Andrew Candelario, Chaun Tramel, Trace Scott and Chase Conyer.

## Manners matter!

Crittenden County Extension Homemaker members taught basic manners to over 100 fifth graders at Crittenden County Elementary School last week. It's been a tradition for the Homemakers to present this information prior to Thanksgiving where hopefully students can demonstrate to their family the manners they have learned. Students learned about table manners, writing thank you notes, making introductions and manners concerning modern technology. At right are Glenda Chandler and Sarah Ford assisting students in making proper introductions; and below (from left) are Susan Case, Sally Boyd, Darl Henley, Sarah Ford, Glenda Chandler and Nancy Hunt.



## 4-year Jr. Pro Cheerleaders

Jaylee Champion, Kiley Croft and Carly Travis, sixth graders at Crittenden County Middle School, were recognized recently for being four-year Junior Pro football cheerleaders.



## CCMS plans to Stuff the Bus

After a successful inaugural year of "Stuffing The Bus" last season, the Crittenden County Middle School 4-H club is planning to bring back the event this year on Dec. 12. Sponsor Leslea Barnes said the response was tremendous, and the club plans to make this an annual event to assist Crittenden County's Community Christmas initiative.

"The excitement of these young leaders, combined with the outpouring of support from the community is overwhelming," said Barnes. "It's amazing what can happen when people work together for the betterment of their community."

Beginning Wednesday, students at both the middle and high schools began collect canned goods and Christmas items for teens in grade-level competitions. Donations can be placed in a shopping cart in the schools' lobbies. The collection will continue until Dec. 12. On that day, a large school bus will be parked in the CCMS

## 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. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include:

— Thursday (today): Menu is chicken parmesan, baked potato, margarine, sour cream, broccoli casserole and pineapple delight.

Friday: Menu is breaded pollock, pinto beans, cole slaw, cornbread and vanilla pudding. Bingo will begin at 10:30 a.m.

— Monday: Menu is hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes with giblet gravy, buttered spinach and tropical fruit. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio will begin at 9:45 a.m.

— Tuesday: Menu is beef stroganoff with noodles, cucumber salad, wheat roll and banana pudding.

Dec. 6: Menu is pulled pork with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, cornbread and pineapple delight. 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 Pennyrile Allied Community Services.

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

parking lot, from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., where 4-H members will assist community members who wish to drop off donations.

Maggie Blazina, the eighth grade president of the middle school 4-H club, developed the idea of Stuff The Bus, while assisting friends at Baptist Health Paducah with a similar event. She said it's a great way for students like herself to connect to the community and develop leadership skills.

"There are many parts of this event to coordinate," said Blazina. "Learning how to plan and work with others helps students like myself learn collaboration skills that will surely benefit us in the future."

Canned goods are always needed, but they particularly hope to get some Christmas items for teens, including things like ear buds, lotions, make-up sets, hats and other small gift items. The clubs hope to surpass last year's donation of more than 3,000 items.

## Submit calendar items

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

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Freshman Gabe Mott (pictured at left) got his first start at point guard against Webster County and senior Logan Belt (above) began his final season for the Rockets.

## Rockets find difficult opener at Webster Co.

STAFF REPORT

Rocket basketball coach Denis Hodge knew that starting the season off at Webster County would be a tall order for his Rockets.

It was indeed just that as Crittenden County took it on the chin 70-24 on the road in its season-opener Tuesday.

Crittenden hadn't won at Dixon since 1998 and the Rockets had bested the Trojans just twice in the past 20 meetings. Crittenden last beat Webster on the basketball floor on Dec. 18, 2012.

Three Rockets scored six points apiece - Sawyer Towery, Logan Belt and Preston Turley.

Turnovers were a big problem for the Rockets against Webster's seasoned backcourt.

Crittenden County	2	12	20	24
Webster County	23	49	62	70

CRITTENDEN - Towery 6, Mott 1, Belt 6, T.Boone 3, Turley 6, H.Boone 2, Steele, E.O'Leary. FG 6. 3-pointers 4 (Towery 2, Belt, T.Boone). FT 8-13. Fouls 14.

WEBSTER - Mooney 3, Camplin 9, Skinner 5, Cardwell 2, H.Complin 3, Beller 2, Ellis 18, Allen 4, Douglas 11, Winn 8, McNaughton 2, Nance 3. FG 28. 3-pointers 3 (T.Camplin, Ellis, Douglas). FT 11-20. Fouls 16.

## Lady Rockets zap Falcon girls 60-6

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County continued its recent dominance over Fort Campbell in a 60-6 season-opening walloped of the hapless Lady Falcons.

Crittenden's defense was way too much for the upstart Fort Campbell girls, who had only one point going into the final period.

Crittenden has not lost to Fort Campbell since January of 2013 and it has won seven straight against the Falcon girls.

Crittenden senior Mauri Collins came out of the chute scoring. She had the Lady Rockets first couple of buckets and went on to lead the team with 15 points.

Fort Campbell	1	1	1	6
Crittenden County	24	46	54	60

FORT CAMPBELL - Porter 2, Wilson 4, Dugger, Mincey, Donatelle. FG 2. 3-pointers none. FT 2-4. Fouls 11.

CRITTENDEN - Collins 15, Champion 7, Moss 8, Summers 6, Woodward 6, Hayes 2, Long 2, Perryman 2, Easley 4, Duncan 4, Keller 2, Binkley 2. FG 28. 3-pointers none. FT 4-8. Fouls 12.



Crittenden County's defense was a bit overwhelming for Fort Campbell on Tuesday at Rocket Arena. Freshman Mattia Long (left) is one of the first off the bench. She and her 11 teammates all scored in the contest. Senior Madison Champion's long arms (above) kept Fort Campbell from finding an inlet pass to the basket.

PHOTOS BY ALLISON EVANS

## Boone, Starnes earn district honors

Crittenden County junior quarterback Hunter Boone has been selected as the First District Class A Player of the Year by football coaches in the league.

Boone is the second straight Rocket to be selected for the honor. Teammate Devon Nesbitt was chosen last year as a sophomore.

Boone set virtually all school passing records this year, chiefly career passing yards and career touchdowns. He also set several single-season records including most passing yards, completions and touchdowns.



Boone

He was among the passing leaders in Kentucky, finishing second in Class A and 11th overall in every KHSAA class.

Rocket football coach Al Starnes was selected Coach of the Year for the First District Class A. It was the third time he'd received the honor during his 27-year coaching career at CCHS. Starnes guided his team to an 8-5 record and a berth in the regional championship game.

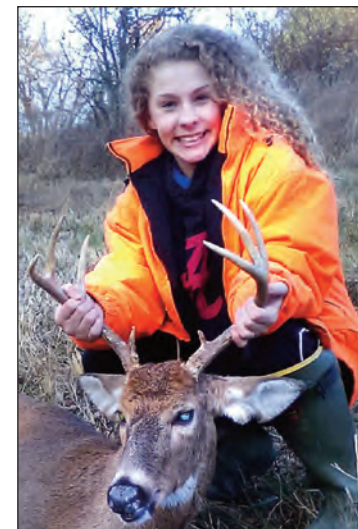
Starnes has announced that he is retiring from coaching and as an educator after this school year. He finishes 175-138 at Crittenden County.



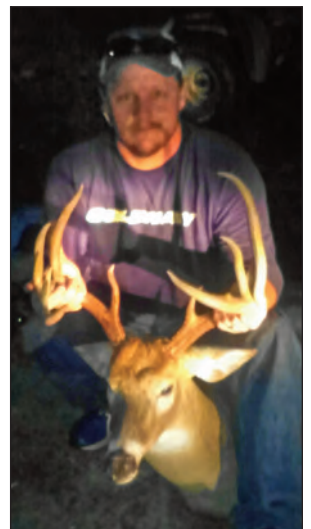
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Local first-grader Hayden Hughes, 6, bagged his first deer during the rifle season. It was an 8-pointer taken off the family farm.



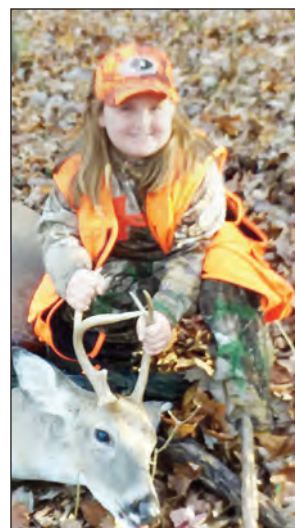
Ryleigh Tabor of Marion bagged this nice 9-point buck during the recent deer season.



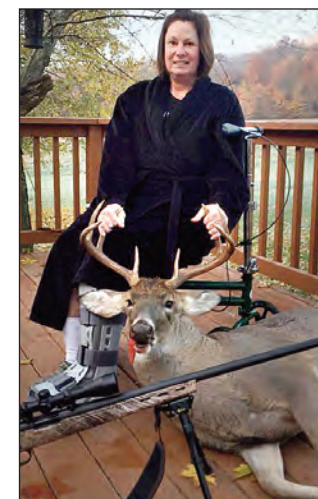
Greg Tabor of Marion got a 10-pointer during the recent muzzleloader deer season.

## Football Kings

Crittenden County had four youth players earn special performance awards during the Rockets' recent play in the King of the Hill football tournament at Owensboro. Those honored were (front from left) Hurst Miniard, Teauge Millikan, Hunter Phillips and Jaxon Hatfield. Also pictured are coaches Jacob Courtney, Johnny Newcom, Rusty Miniard and Ryan McDaniel.



Maddie Watson, 8, bagged her first deer, a nice buck during the rifle season.



Despite being in a leg cast, Deborah Layne Hughes of Carrsville bagged this nice whitetail buck during the rifle season.



Thom Hawthorne of Marion bagged his nice 10-point buck last week hunting in Crittenden County.

## CCMS BASKETBALL SUMMARIES

**7TH GRADE GIRLS**  
Crittenden 42, Lyon 21  
CCMS Scoring: Natalie Boone 4, Riley Smith 9, Taylor Guess 22, Addie Hatfield 6, Katie Perryman 1, Brylee Conyer 2.

**8TH GRADE GIRLS**  
Crittenden 45, Lyon 33  
CCMS Scoring: Maci Hunt 10, Guess 14, Boone 8, Smith 4,

Hatfield 4, Grace Driskill 5.

**7TH GRADE BOYS**  
Lyon 65, Crittenden 24  
CCMS Scoring: Preston Morge-son 13, Seth Guess 7, Evan Belt 1, Caden Riley 3

**8TH GRADE BOYS**  
Lyon 58, Crittenden 14  
CCMS Scoring: Maddox Carl-son 2, Tucker Sharp 2, Tanner Beverly 1, Coleman Stone 3, Tristan Davidson 6.

## Upcoming Hunt Seasons

Squirrel	Aug. 19 - Nov. 10
Bow Deer/Turkey	Sept. 2 - Jan. 15
Raccoon Hunt	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Turkey gun	Oct. 28 - Nov. 3
Crossbow	Nov. 11 - Dec. 31
Rifle Deer	Nov. 11 - Nov. 26
Fox	Nov. 13 - Feb. 28
Squirrel	Nov. 13 - Feb. 28
Rabbit	Nov. 13 - Feb. 10
Raccoon Trap	Nov. 13 - Feb. 28
Quail	Nov. 13 - Feb. 10
Duck	Nov. 23 - Nov. 26
Dove	Nov. 23 - Dec. 3

Canada Goose	Nov. 23 - Feb. 15
Bobcat	Nov. 25 - Feb. 28
Turkey gun	Dec. 2-8
Duck	Dec. 4 - Jan. 28
Muzzleloader	Dec. 9 - Dec. 17
Dove	Dec. 23 - Jan. 14
Free Youth Deer	Dec. 30 - Dec. 31
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 3 - Feb. 4
Coyote	Year Round
Coyote Nighttime	Feb. 1 - May 31

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## Swimmers score big

Three local swimmers were among those with top performances in a recent swim meet at Elizabethtown, Ky. Noah Byford and Braelyn Merrill, both of Marion, were top 3 finishers at the meet. They swim for the Paducah swim team. Also, Allison White of Eddyville was a first-place winner. She and the other two swim for the Marion swim team during the summer.

## Crittenden 1st in state

Crittenden County is currently the top deer-producing county in Kentucky. Deer hunters bagged about 600 animals over the final week of rifle season and finished with around 2,500 taken during the 16-day gun hunt. Hunters have taken 3,126 deer from the county this fall. That's up from last year's final season total and it's about 100 more deer than other county in the state.





Name	Number	Grade	Height	Weight
Belt, Logan	14	12	6'2	175
Boone, Hunter	32	11	5'10	220
Boone, Tyler	25	9	5'10	185
Carlson, Jayden	23	10	6'0	155
Dickerson, Gavin	10	11	6'0	210
Mott, Gabe	21	9	5'8	135
Nesbitt, Devon	20	11	5'8	150
Oleary, Eric	4	10	5'11	115
Oleary, Sean	11	11	5'10	185
Steele, Tyson	30	12	6'1	180
Towery, Sawyer	3	11	6'0	170
Turley, Preston	31	9	6'3	192
Winders, Braxton	24	9	5'9	190

Head coach: Denis Hodge  
 Assistant Coaches: Ken Geary, Gaige Courtney  
 Manager: Sadie Pile

## 2017-18 Crittenden County Schedule

Nov. 28 at Webster County  
 Dec. 1 Trigg County  
 Dec. 5 Caldwell County  
 Dec. 8 at Lyon County  
 Dec. 9 at Hardin County (Ill.)  
 Dec. 12 at CFA  
 Dec. 15 Livingston Central  
 Dec. 21 Ballard Memorial  
 Dec. 28 at Stewart County (Tenn.)  
 Dec. 29 at Cheatham Co. (Tenn.)  
 Jan. 5 Lyon County  
 Jan. 6 at Community Christian  
 Jan. 9 at Dawson Springs  
 Jan. 12 at Trigg County  
 Jan. 13 Hardin County (Ill.)  
 Jan. 16 Caldwell Co. - All A Classic  
 Jan. 23 at Union County  
 Jan. 26 Fort Campbell  
 Jan. 30 at Livingston Central  
 Feb. 1 Dawson Springs  
 Feb. 2 Todd Central  
 Feb. 6 at Caldwell County  
 Feb. 9 at St. Mary  
 Feb. 13 Hopkins Central  
 Feb. 16 at Fort Campbell

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## Green on track after 7 games

Before Kentucky's season started, former UK All-American Mike Pratt had a warning - or bit of advice - for fans about the team's point guard play.

"So much is about confidence. That's why some guys develop slower than others," said Pratt, the analyst for the UK Radio Network. "If you look at (John) Calipari point guards, John Wall started slow and you could see his confidence build."

"On the championship team, do we remember how Cal moaned about (Marquis) Teague and him not getting it done. About the first of the year, he relaxed and got it and became a quality point guard. The (Harrison) twins started slow and at end of the season UK went to the Final Four."

Pratt went on then to say Quade Green reminded him of former UK point guard Tyler Ulis - who didn't shoot well, struggled with his decision making at time and would leave his feet to make passes early in his freshman season.

Pratt pleaded for UK fans to give Green the same "adjustment period" that other UK point guards needed.

"That will always be a critical position for Calipari. Don't push panic button if Green does not look like he is getting it done. He will develop with time. Just be patient," Pratt said.

That was in early November and Pratt has turned out to be a prophet.

After Sunday's win over Illinois-Chicago, Green is averaging 11.7 points 3.1 assists and 2.6 rebounds per game. He's hitting 50 percent from 3-point range.

"Still not going to be John Wall but I think he has a chance to be a good college point guard," Pratt said after Sunday's win. "He is now

understanding a little bit more of where his shots come from and I think he is starting to understand who his teammates are as to where he should throw them the ball.

"He still makes some high school passes but he is growing into it. Cal does not leave any margin for errors with his point guards and it puts a lot of pressure on you. But the kid is a tough little booger."

"I think he is about where I think he should have been. He got a little bit embarrassed against Kansas but they had experienced guards. I think he is growing. If he eliminates some casual passes, he is playing pretty good."

The biggest concern seems to be on defense. He doesn't have the length of freshman Shai Gilgeous-Alexander or the quickness of former UK point guard Tyler Ulis, who now plays in the NBA. He has just one steal in seven games.

Pratt says Green will never be confused with for-

mer UK defensive stopper DeAndre Liggins but can be a solid defender if he learns how to use angles.

"He is used to rushing right up on the ball handler from high school and being able to guard him. You have to take angles like a linebacker trying to tackle a running back that has turned the corner. If you don't take the angle, he blows right by you," Pratt said.

"If you go right at the guy with the ball at his present position like Quade has done, unless you can smother him with your size and quickness which he can't ... you have to figure out where this guy is going and when he makes his first move you have to make that angle cut. It's all about the angles and you learn that from experience after getting beat a few times and they show you on tape. If you continue to grow, you become a much better defender and I think he's going to be. Just keep being patient."

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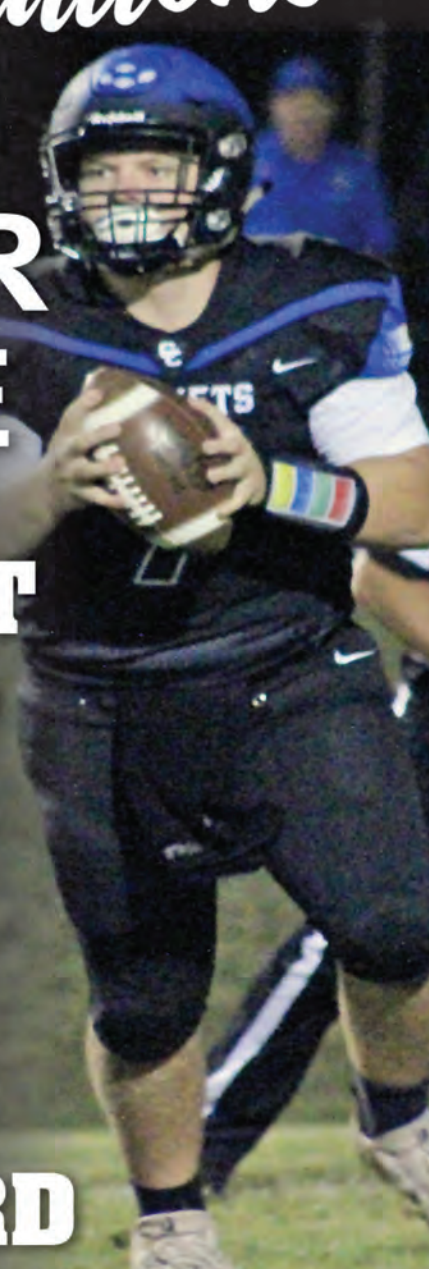
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Training (DOCJT); some experience in law enforcement is desirable, but not mandatory. A copy of the full job description for the Police Officer's position is available from the City Administrator. Salary for this position is set at \$38,584 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. The City also pays 100% of the officer's health insurance premiums, and 75% of any covered family member. We offer 10 paid vacation days and 12 paid holidays per year. Anyone interested in the position should submit a City of Marion Job Application to the City Administrator's office by 12 noon on Friday, Dec. 15, 2017. At this time, we are not accepting applications from non-DOCJT certified personnel. The City of Marion is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Certified Drug-Free Workplace. (1t-22-c)

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which time bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the Fiscal Court. Please indicate the item being bid on the outside of the envelope. Bidders must show proof of liability insurance, provide equipment size and price per hour of operation or price per tree to be cut. If you have any questions regarding this bid notice contact the office of the Judge Executive at 270-965-5251. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in accordance with KRS 45-A. (1t-22-c)

Crittenden County Fiscal Court is accepting sealed bids for the application of Chip and Seal, single and double, on various roads in Crittenden County during the 2018 construction season. All bids must be submitted to the county Judge Executive's office by 8:30 a.m. CST December 21, 2017, at which time bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the Fiscal Court. Please indicate the item being bid on the outside of the envelope. If you have any questions regarding this bid notice contact the office of the Judge Executive at 270-965-5251. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in accordance with KRS 45-A. (1t-22-c)

Crittenden County Fiscal Court is accepting sealed bids for the application of bituminous hot mix asphalt on various roads in Crittenden County for the 2018 construction season. All bids must state the price per applied ton as well as the FOB price if available. Bids may include the price for any or all of the following mixes: base, binder, and surface asphalt. All bids must be submitted to the coun-

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Notice is hereby given that on December 6, 2017 Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") will file an application with the Public Service Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky for approval of revisions in its Demand-Side Management and Energy-Efficiency ("DSM-EE") program portfolio, as shown in KU's Adjustment Clause Demand-Side Management Cost Recovery Mechanism ("DSM") tariff and the resulting changes in its DSM Cost Recovery Component ("DSMRC") charges. In its application, KU will notify the Commission that the revised DSM tariff sheets are proposed to become effective on and after January 5, 2018; however, because KU anticipates the Commission will suspend the proposed changes in the DSM tariff to conduct an investigation of the proposed changes, KU will ask the Commission to approve the proposed changes in its DSM-EE program portfolio and resulting charges under the DSM tariff to be effective on January 1, 2019.

The proposed changes to the DSM-EE program portfolio, if approved, will result in changes to the DSMRC calculated under the DSM tariff for all affected electric rate classes as follows:

Rate RS, RTOD-E, RTOD-D, and VFD			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00290	\$ 0.00104	- \$ 0.00186	-64.1%
Rate GS			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00142	\$ 0.00106	- \$ 0.00036	- 25.4%
AES			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00095	\$ 0.00357	+\$ 0.00262	+ 275.8%
Rate PS, TODS, TODP, RTS, FLS, SPS, STOD, and OSL			
Current charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00059	\$ 0.00067	+ \$ 0.00008	+ 13.6%

KU proposes also to make available DSM-EE program to, and to apply DSM charges to, industrial customers. KU is also revising its definition of "industrial" for the purposes of DSM to include only those customers engaged in activities primarily using electricity in a process or processes that involve either the extraction of raw materials from the earth or a change of raw or unfinished materials into another form or product. KU is also proposing an opt-out for industrial customers' meters serving energy-intensive loads, defined as any meter served under Rate TODP, RTS, or FLS. To be eligible to opt out, an industrial customer must state it has implemented cost-effective energy-efficiency measures not subsidized by other rate classes for the loads served by the meters to be opted out. Customers choosing to opt out eligible meters must submit an opt-out form to KU; properly completed and submitted opt-out forms will be processed and opt-outs implemented by the second full billing cycle following form submission. Opt outs will be effective indefinitely, though a customer may seek to opt back into DSM charges and DSM-EE programs for opted-out meters as soon as one year after opting out. Any opted-in meter or meter that serves load that has participated in a DSM-EE program may not opt out for at least three years after most recently opting in or participating in a DSM-EE program, whichever is later.

In addition, KU proposes to include DSM in the Adjustment Clauses section of Rate FLS because such customers will now be able to participate in DSM-EE programs and be subject to DSM charges unless meters served under Rate FLS are opted out.

The estimated amount of the annual change and the average monthly bill to which the proposed DSMRC charges will apply for each electric customer class is as follows:

Electric Rate Class	Average Monthly Usage (kWh)	Annual \$ Increase	Annual % Increase	Average Monthly Bill \$ Increase
Residential	1,179	(11,001,457)	(63.9)	(2.19)
Residential Time-of-Day	1,171			(2.18)
General Service	1,805	(618,661)	(25.2)	(0.65)
All Electric School	21,341	364,440	275.8	55.91
Power Service	41,148	431,732	15.2	3.29
TODS (Secondary)	245,336			19.63
TODP (Primary)*	1,241,109			99.29
Retail Transmission*	4,160,317			332.83
Fluctuating Load*	46,076,466			3,686.12
School Power Service	46,098			3.69
School Time-of-Day	118,621			9.49
Outdoor Sports Lighting Service	6,056			0.48

\* KU formulated the DSMRC Charges applicable to Rates TODP, RTS, and FLS assuming that industrial customers taking service under those rates will choose to opt out eligible meters. Therefore, KU does not anticipate such customers will actually incur the costs shown; however, the table above reflects the impacts to such customers if they elect not to opt out, though the DSMRC Charges, and particularly the DSM Billing Adjustment, may change to reflect the additional revenues from such customers' load paying DSMRC Charges.

Complete copies of the proposed tariffs containing text changes and proposed rates may be obtained by contacting Kentucky Utilities Company at 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 1-800-981-0600, or visiting Kentucky Utilities Company's website at [www.lge-ku.com](http://www.lge-ku.com).

Notice is further given that a person may examine this application at the offices of Kentucky Utilities Company, 100 Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, and may also be examined at Kentucky Utilities Company's website at [www.lge-ku.com](http://www.lge-ku.com). A person may also examine this application at the Public Service 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 the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission, by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, or by sending an email to the Commission's Public Information Officer at [psc.info@ky.gov](mailto:psc.info@ky.gov). All comments should reference Case No. 2017-00441.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Kentucky Utilities Company, but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 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 mailing of the notice, the commission may take final action on the application.

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# Red Cross recognized

Crittenden Fiscal Court earlier this month recognized the American Red Cross of Western Kentucky's centennial anniversary. Though there is no local chapter of the Red Cross, the regional unit services Crittenden County in its humanitarian role of supporting residents when home fires, floods, winter storms, tornadoes or other disasters strike with emergency assistance such as food, clothing and shelter. The Red Cross also provides training in CPR, water safety, sheltering and first-aid. Above, Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom (seated) signs a proclamation recognizing the 100th anniversary with magistrates (from left) Donnetta Travis, Dan Wood, Curt Buntin, Mark Holloman, Danny Fowler and Zach Bloodworth and County Attorney Rebecca Johnson. To contact the nearest chapter of the Red Cross in Paducah, call Cindy Thompson at (270) 442-3575.

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