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McConnell making call before election

U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell, seeking a fifth term to office, will be in Marion at 10:45 a.m., today (Thursday) at the Ed-Tech Center on Industrial Drive. The visit is a whistle stop as the Senate minority leader wraps up his campaign against Democratic challenger Bruce Lunsford. Crittenden County Judge-Executive Fred Brown said the senator will be here around 30 to 45 minutes. The public is invited.

Former President Bill Clinton will be in Paducah Friday campaigning for Lunsford.



Free dumping of large items nears

Free dumping of large items will be allowed Friday and Saturday at the county's convenience center on U.S. 60 east of Marion.

Large items such as furniture, televisions and appliances will be accepted at no charge, though refrigerants should be removed from air-conditioners, freezers and refrigerators.

Household trash and small items will not be accepted without charge and contractors will not be allowed to dump for free. Also, no tires will be accepted.

The center is open from 8 a.m., to 4:30 p.m., Friday and 8 a.m., to noon Saturday.

CCEDC addressing lay-offs with forum

Crittenden County Economic Development Corp., has scheduled a forum for next week to help those recently unemployed learn of educational opportunities in the county to better their chances at a new job.

Due to recent lay-offs at Rayloc, which this month is completing its dismissal of nearly 500 employees, and at Johnson Controls in Cadiz, CCEDC will host representatives from Madisonville Community College and the Pennyryle Area Development District to share training and educational opportunities with the public.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m., Tuesday at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion.

Flu vaccine clinics open to walk-ins

For those yet to get a flu shot, several low- or no-cost options remain in the next two weeks.

In Crittenden and Caldwell counties, Pennyryle District Health Departments will offer walk-in influenza immunizations Tuesday. In Livingston County, shots will be given Oct. 30. All clinics will be held at respective departments from 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m.

Immunizations will be \$20 this year and Medicaid and Medicare Part B can be billed. There is no shortage of the vaccine this year, and people of all ages can get a flu shot at each of the walk-in clinics.

And next month, Western Baptist Hospital will host a free community flu shot clinic on Nov. 5, from 8 a.m., until noon in the atrium of Doctors Office Building 2. Shots will not be given to children under 18 or pregnant women.

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8 seek half dozen council seats

By DARYL K. TABOR
MANAGING EDITOR

The new government elected next month to lead the City of Marion over the coming two years will likely face some important decisions regarding the town's crumbling infrastructure. And it could be forced to implement unpopular rate increases in order to address those concerns amid a struggling economy.

Eight candidates are on the Nov. 4 ballot seeking election to Marion City Council, but only six will be elected in the non-partisan race to join longtime Mayor Mickey Alexander as the city begins its 158th year of incorporation. Five incumbents will join three challengers for the six seats, ensuring at least half of the current council will re-

turn for another two-year term in January.

City Administrator Mark Bryant said the new council will likely face major decisions regarding needed upgrades to the city's water and sewer systems that could create a need for additional revenue.

"The next council will almost certainly face rate hikes," Bryant said, referring to the two utilities.

This is the first year since 2003 that water and sewer rates have not increased. For five years beginning in fiscal year 2003-04, said Bryant, annual rate increases of five percent on both water and sewer were levied.

All eight candidates, in responding to a questionnaire sent them by The Crittenden Press (see Pages 4-5), listed im-



"The next council will almost certainly face rate hikes."

— Mark Bryant

Marion City Administrator on city water and sewer rates

provements to water, sewer or both among the biggest issues facing the city.

"I've had a few people having trouble with their water having a terrible odor

and having a dingy color," responded Janet Pierce, a three-term incumbent seeking re-election and the only female candidate.

"Our water and sewer plants are going to be our biggest financial challenges in the near future," agreed Don Arlack, another incumbent.

Bryant said within the coming year the city should be handed a new comprehensive plan for approval by the Marion Planning Commission. The current plan for the city's future growth and services is outdated, he said.

While not addressed by the planning commission document, several candidates voiced displeasure with the enforcement of codes, particularly

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PHOTO BY MARCIE GREENWELL

Christmas comes early

The relaxing smell of cinnamon candles and the glitter of handmade jewelry welcomed visitors to Christmas in Marion at Fohs Hall Saturday. Above, Pat Carter (right) of Marion and another shopper peruse the selections from Petal Patch Cards on the second floor of the building. An array of glasswork, handmade cards, wreaths and gifts, as well as baskets and woodworking alongside the sights and sounds of the holidays gave shoppers an all-round pleasant shopping experience. Christmas in Marion attendance exceeded 700 from 10 states including Kentucky. The two-day show in previous years brought in more than 1,000 patrons, so having more than 700 in one day has coordinators feeling the show was quite successful. The next Christmas in Marion will be Oct. 17, 2009.

Rudd-Hart sewer project next in line

STAFF REPORT

City employees should be free as early as week to begin wrapping up installation of long-awaited city sewer services to a cluster of homes in the southwestern portion of Marion.

Brian Thomas, utilities director for the City of Marion, told city council members Monday night that an asphalt base to be put down the following day along Fords Ferry Road signals the end is approaching on that project, one that supplied city sewer to 14 homes and widened the road inside the city.



Thomas

"We should be finished by the end of this week then be able to focus on Rudd-Hart," Thomas said of the project that will make the sewer utility available to 18 homes along Rudd and Hart streets and Country Club and Oak Hill drives.

Commonly known as the Rudd-Hart project, individual lift stations, or grinder pumps, will be installed at each existing home not currently serviced by city sewer. Those pumps will grind and send waste from the homes for treatment at the city's wastewater treatment plant. Those homes have relied on septic systems since they were constructed.

After the Rudd-Hart project is complete, there will remain about 70 properties inside Marion that are not connected to city sewer for various reasons.

Jail taking over trash convenience center

STAFF REPORT

The jail will now be in charge of trash.

That was the mandate handed down by Crittenden Fiscal Court Tuesday. Starting Nov. 3, Crittenden County Detention Center will take over operation of the county convenience center on U.S. 60 East, which has been managed by Freedom Waste.

The convenience center took the place of the county dump when it closed many years ago. The company with the franchise agreement to collect the county's residential and commercial garbage has always been responsible for running the site.

Over the years, there have been various complaints, county officials have said, mostly about the inconsistent prices charged for loads of garbage.

"That will be one of the main things they will be focusing on," Judge-Executive Fred Brown said, pointing to the new operators. "We will have some type of consistent rate structure."

Brown also said the convenience center will eventually have longer hours. For now, it will be open as normal, from 8 a.m., until 4:30 p.m., weekdays, except Thursday, and from 8:30 until noon on Saturday. Brown said at some point, plans are to open the facility on Thursdays, too.

A deputy jailer will be on duty at the center at all times and inmates will be there to help sort trash and otherwise manage the garbage.

In return, the Crittenden County Detention Center will be paid \$1,500 per month by Freedom Waste. Additionally, the jail will get any other proceeds

derived from selling recyclable materials.

The Crittenden County Solid Waste Committee approved the plan at last month's meeting and magistrates unanimously ratified the measure this week.

The contract for the jail to operate the facility is on a one-year term renewable as approved by the solid waste board.

In another trash related matter, a couple attended Tuesday's fiscal court meeting to complain about their



Jailer in hospital

Crittenden County Jailer Rick Riley is in a Paducah hospital recovering after heart surgery. See story on Page 3.

Relay kickoff meeting set for tonight

STAFF REPORT

Relay for Life, the American Cancer Society's national signature activity, is on the move again in the area.

A meeting to acquaint potential participants with the overnight, late-spring event has been scheduled for 6 p.m., today (Thursday) at Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center. The kickoff is open to the entire community.

"We encourage anyone interested in Relay for Life or just learning more about the American Cancer Society to attend," said Stephanie Elder, community representative for the American Cancer Society office in Paducah.

Next year's Relay for Life of Crittenden County will be held on May 8, 2009, at Marion-Crittenden County Park. At



Relay kickoff

Crittenden County Relay for Life will get underway with a kickoff meeting slated for 6 p.m., today (Thursday) at Marion Baptist Church Life Center.

year's event, initially slated for June, was delayed until July because of rain. The later date was just too hot, she said.

Teams of eight to 15 people each participate in the Relay by sponsoring various money-

raising events prior to the event, then take turns at the event itself walking or running around the track so that at least one person from each team is on the track during the event. Entertainment is provided by local musical groups.

The purpose of the Relay is to seek funds to help fight cancer and to bring about greater awareness of the disease. Money is raised through pledges and luminaries sold in honor of a cancer victim or survivor. Last year saw a record 285 luminaries sold for \$5 each.

However, this year, the luminaries will cost more. Elder said because of the rising cost of supplies that make the lu-

minaries – sand, bags and candles – as well as the increased costs associated with cancer research, more and more money is needed to battle cancer.

That's why prepping for next year's event this October is so important in order to rekindle the interest that at times has raised more than \$60,000 locally.

Relay for Life teams, sponsors, cancer survivors and the entire Crittenden County community is encouraged to attend tonight's kickoff. Dinner and dessert will be provided by the planning committee. Team captain packets will be available for those interested in forming a Relay for Life team this year.

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Elder

Grocers help to bag cancer

STAFF REPORT

Grocers Fight Cancer Day in honor of the late Mary Conrad will be held Tuesday.

Celebrity grocery baggers will be on hand at Conrad's Food Store, which was owned and operated by Conrad before her death. Cancer prevention and detection literature and information will be available to customers visiting the store.

A percentage of the day's gross receipts and all tips will be donated to the Crittenden County Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Contact Sue Padgett at 704-1558 or Frank Blackburn at 705-1419 if you would like more information on kickoff or the 2009 Relay for Life of Crittenden County.

How much is freedom worth?

The freedoms we enjoy in this country costs Jesus His life, and thousands upon thousands of our own countrymen since the Pilgrims landed on the shores of Massachusetts, proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus to be their law to live by. That state has now gone as far from God as one can get by legalizing God-cursed same-sex marriages.

How ironic! The first State that the Gospel was preached and practiced in is the first State to be so abominable that it legalized the God-cursed sin of same-sex marriage.

This is how far this nation has gone from its inception of being a nation that honored and venerated God, making this the greatest and most free nation in history, and the most blessed in every way. Little wonder our wealth is disappearing. God gives and God takes away.

America has been called a Christian nation for many years, because Christianity is the major faith, and our laws were based on the Bible. Not because all Americans are Christians.

Yet I heard the top presidential contender say at a Progressive (very liberal) Religious Leaders Conference in 2006. "Whatever we might have been, we are not a Christian nation. There are

Rev. Lucy Tedrick

Religious Views

Crittenden Press guest columnist



Jews, Buddhists, Muslims, Hindus and non-believers. Which passages of Scripture should guide our public policy? Should we go with Leviticus, which suggests slavery is okay, or Deuteronomy, which suggests stoning your child if he strays from the faith, or should we just stick with the Sermon on The Mount, a passage that is so radical that I doubt our own Defense Department would survive its application. People aren't reading their Bible." Shameful! A classic example of taking scripture out of context to avoid its truths and belittle its value, yet he says he is a Christian. Statistics show that 76 percent of Americans call themselves Christian, and only two percent are Hindu, Buddhist and Muslim. When we let our country get into the hands of people who pass these ungodly laws, make fun of the Bible, give as much credence to pagan religions and atheists, beliefs as to Christ and His

words, we are promised by the God of the Bible that we too will lose our freedom just like all other nations whose god is not the God of the Bible. Which Buddhist, Hindu, or Muslim country has freedom? When we cave in to the religions and laws of those that come here from other countries, can't we see we will end up turning into what they came here to escape? All the blood, lives and limbs our men and women have given for our freedom will be lost, their horrible price for nothing. What other nation on earth would you like America to be like? Yet so many of the liberals in Washington and the aforementioned contender wants us to pattern our laws, monetary system, and morals after Europe that our forefathers risked their lives to escape in 1620 to establish America, and millions from countries all over the world are still doing everything they can to escape to our country even today. Do we really appreciate what our forefathers and men and women of our armed forces through the years have suffered so we could enjoy the greatest freedoms, opportunities and affluence any nation has ever known?

We all know spoiled brats are never appreciative of anything that is done for them. Does our beloved country deserve that title? Have we been reduced to a bunch of spoiled brats? Jesus said: "If the Son therefore shall make you free, you shall be free indeed." John 8:36 Wake up America! We are the only nation on earth that has ever been called a Christian nation from its founding, and the only nation that was founded on the Bible and Gospel of Jesus Christ. No wonder we are free. Just how much is your freedom worth? Remember when you leave God out of your life and actions, including who and what you support, you are trading off your freedom and everyone else's including your children's and grandchildren's, and trampling under foot the price Jesus and thousands of Americans have paid and are paying for it. "For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted. Isa. 60:12. (Editor's note: Rev. Tedrick is a Marion minister. She shares her views weekly in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper.)

The Crittenden Press Letters to the Editor

Obama presidency could split nation

To the editor: Americans are a fair and decent people, but the emergence of false prophets has too often given rise to powerful oppositional forces, even among the best of peoples. History has borne witness to such leaders as Barack Hussein Obama for centuries, all over the world. Sadly, what likely stirs just over the horizon is fierce and painful conflict between races, classes and even generationally differing groups. No one is safe; no one is immune when such a demagogue feels nothing for anyone or anything. The disregard for others is confused with a cool, calm demeanor. But the lion is in actuality a fox pursuing only his insatiable desire for power and his perceived rightful position at the center of the peoples' universe. Friend and

foe alike are exploited and tossed aside in his quest for unquestioned authority. Barack Hussein Obama, the self-proclaimed messiah, could, unfortunately, become the unwitting father of a fully resurrected White vs. Non-White movement in America after so many hard-earned advances have been made among our many and varied peoples. Sensing no kinship with any race, he seems to neither feel the needs nor the suffering of any people. Only his calculated and deliberate posturing for ultimate power seems to drive the false prophet. On the plus side, Obama's divisiveness among the classes and especially the generational cross sections could, once exposed, lead to a greater cohesion among those groups that he has so masterfully divided and exploited. His likely failed presidency will negate much of the progress that has been made by the many true American

patriots and fighters for justice and equality of the civil rights movement during the past half century. His could truly be something that all Americans will have to overcome and that, tragically, could take considerably longer than his meteoric rise to dubious prominence. John Curry Burna, Ky.

All tips and a percentage of sales that day will go to the American Cancer Society. Come out and help fight for a cure of a disease that has touched the majority of people in Crittenden County. Margaret Gilland Marion, Ky.

Grocers Against Cancer back again

To the editor: The American Cancer Society and Conrad's Food Store are sponsoring the annual "Grocers Against Cancer Day" Tuesday. The economy is very bad, but cancer doesn't care as it strikes someone daily. Mark your calendars, make your list, come out and buy groceries that day and check out the celebrity bagger who bags and carries your groceries to the car.

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Local&RegionalBriefs

Jailer resting after open-heart surgery

One of the county's top elected officials is recovering in a Paducah hospital after heart surgery.

Crittenden County Jailer Rick Riley underwent open-heart surgery Tuesday at Lourdes Hospital to remove blockage in the arteries carrying blood from his heart. Riley was said to be resting well Tuesday afternoon after a multiple bypass surgery.

While Riley is recovering, Melissa Agent and Tammy Robertson, two majors serving under the jailer, will run the detention center.

Sheriff Wayne Agent, who employed Riley as a deputy in his department before the election that put Riley in charge of the jail, said the blockage was discovered when the 61-year-old was being checked out for a diabetes-related problem.

"That is the biggest, most stressful job in the county," Judge-executive Fred Brown said of the rigors placed on any jailer overseeing the new 133-bed facility.

But Brown said Riley hopes to be back to work by the end of the month.

Meantime, District Judge Tommy Simpson is undergoing chemotherapy, according to Brown, for treatment of lung cancer.

Simpson is the district judge for Crittenden, Webster and Union counties.

Low-income aid for heat bills available

Kentucky will receive more than \$75 million in federal funds to keep warm this winter and cool next summer, according to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Mike Leavitt. They will be available to assist eligible low-income households in meeting their heating and/or cooling needs in the coming year.

"The release of these funds will help low-income families in Kentucky stay warm this winter," Leavitt said in a news release. "These funds will also help reduce the risk of health and safety problems exacerbated by exposure to extreme temperatures."

The money is administered through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

States will receive their entire fiscal year 2009 block grant allocations before the close of next week. In Kentucky, the total figure includes \$6.7 million allocated as emergency contingency funds.

Individuals in Crittenden County interested in applying for energy assistance should call 965-4763.

Capitol Cinemas sound financially

The movie business has been good in the past year, ensuring Capitol Cinemas in Princeton will remain open, said theater co-owner Mike Cherry.

Last autumn, Cherry said if business did not pick up by November 2009, he might have to consider closing the downtown cinema. But 12 months of traffic, including recent heavy bookings by churches for the film "Fireproof," has solidified the theater's future.

"We're okay," Cherry said Monday. "There's no threat of closing."

In fact, Cherry said \$50,000 in renovations that include new seats and carpet have been undertaken.

A slate of blockbuster summer movies and sell-out book-

ings to area churches for the feature film on marriage, "Fireproof," kept the theater in the black. And Crittenden County played a big part, wit several churches having booked showings of film.

Cherry, who has sold majority ownership to longtime manager Heidi Boyd, said the upcoming "High School Musical 3" is expected to draw large crowds.

"If the critics are right, it'll be huge," he said.

He added the slow economy could play to the theater's advantage.

"Historically, when the economy tanks, movies usually do well," Cherry said. "It's a low-cost way to get out and do something."

Safe Routes project awaiting approval

A project utilizing more than \$100,000 in federal money to provide students in Crittenden County better access to schools could be six months away before the first work begins.

The Safe Routes to Schools project for which the city received \$122,000 in August to improve pedestrian access to Crittenden County Middle and High schools, is currently under review by federal officials. Marion City Administrator Mark Bryant said it could be the middle of next year before the project is started.

"It is my understanding that this could take at least three months to complete, if not longer," Bryant said of the approval process.

The funding will enable the city to construct 2,350 feet of sidewalk along the north side of West Elm Street, stretching from Main Street to the school campus. The city also plans to replace a bridge across Rocket Creek with a new, four-foot-wide pedestrian bridge.

City tax bills due to avoid penalty

City taxpayers will have until Halloween to avoid having a penalty added to their property tax bills.

Tax bills issued by the City of Marion are normally due Nov. 1, but because that day is on a Saturday when City Hall is closed, all bills must be paid by Oct. 31 to avoid a 25-percent penalty. Tax bills paid Nov. 3 or later will be considered delinquent and assessed the penalty.

Meantime, prospects aren't as scary for county taxpayers.

Those who pay by Dec. 31 will be assessed face value, though a two-percent discount is available through Oct. 31. Delinquent payments made in January 2009 will have a five percent penalty added, and any payment re-

ceived on Feb. 1, 2009, or later will be assessed a 21-percent penalty.

County tax payments can be mailed or made in person at the Crittenden County Sheriff's Department, while city tax bills can be paid only at Marion City Hall.

WKU admissions counselor to visit

Hao Yuan, an admissions counselor at Western Kentucky University, will be visiting area high schools to discuss with prospective students the opportunities offered at WKU.

Yuan will visit Crittenden County High School on Oct. 29 from 11:55 a.m., to 12:25 p.m., one day after visiting Livingston Central High School from 11:30 a.m., to 1 p.m. In Caldwell County, Yuan will visit the high school on Oct. 29 from 1 p.m., to 1:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the WKU admissions office via e-mail at admission@wku.edu or by phone at 745-2551.

Club hosts annual Election Day lunch

Election Day is almost here and once again the Woman's Club of Marion is serving lunch to voters.

The lunch will be served from 11 a.m., to 2 p.m., on Nov. 4 at the club building on East Carlisle Street. This tradition is a favorite with local voters but is open to anyone who wants a good lunch. Eat in or carry out.

Tickets are \$6.50 for chili,

sandwich, dessert and drink. Contact any club member for your tickets or see Cindy Moore or Judy Winn for tickets or more information.

All club members are to have their food item at the club by 10 a.m., on Election Day.

Downtown tricks, treats next week

Ghouls and ghosts will be strolling the streets of Marion before dark this Halloween.

The sixth annual Trick or Treat on Main Street in Marion will be from 3:30 to 5 p.m., Oct. 31. Crittenden Health Systems and Marion Main Street Inc., are once again the co-sponsors. Children under the age of 12 may visit participating downtown businesses for free safety-tip treat bags and candy, according to Main Street director Rose Crider.

At the conclusion of trick or treating, CHS will host a costume contest. Judging will begin at 5 p.m.

Red will signify drug abuse battle

Some Crittenden County High School and Middle School students want to paint the town red in order to raise awareness of drug abuse.

The Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the schools, is planning to hang red balloons throughout town Monday. Michelle Fowler, executive secretary of the Chamber, says townspeople and merchants are encouraged to wear red on that day, too.

Crittenden County Detention Center Report

Crittenden County Detention Center Jailer Rick Riley provides a weekly report of the jail's inmate count and work release program. Inmates are supervised and carry out a variety of labor regularly undertaken by local municipal departments.

Work-release for the week of Oct. 13-19:

1. Six men at 40 hours each mowing crew
2. Five men at 40 hours each to county road department
3. One man for 40 hours to Crittenden County Animal Shelter
4. Five men at 40 hours each to City of Marion
5. Four men at 32 hours covering 63 miles and collecting 40 bags of trash on county roads in Crittenden County (includes weekly clean-up at the Ferry Landing and Dam 50)
6. One man at eight hours to Marion Police Department for janitorial work
7. Three females at 40 hours to Senior Citizens Center
8. Two males at 40 hours each to Blackford Trailhead Facility
9. Two females at 40 hours each to Crittenden County Courthouse
10. One male at 24 hours to National Guard Armory
11. Two females at 40 hours to Marion City Hall
12. Ten males at 56 hours inside jail trustees (janitor, kitchen duties).

Note: This week's saving to the county was \$11,528, based on minimum wage of \$6.55.

Shea Holliman, Class D Coordinator

Inmate count as of Oct. 19 (female count):

Total: 110 (20)	Federal: 1 (0) State: 92 (17)	Crittenden County: 15 (3) Other counties: 2 (0)
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OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR CRITTENDEN COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008

	REPUBLICAN PARTY Straight Ticket	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	CONSTITUTION PARTY Straight Ticket	<input type="checkbox"/>
	LIBERTARIAN PARTY Straight Ticket	<input type="checkbox"/>

PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT of the UNITED STATES (Vote for One)

John McCain Sarah PALIN REPUBLICAN PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barack OBAMA Joe BIDEN DEMOCRATIC PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ralph NADER Matt GONZALEZ INDEPENDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Bob BARR Wayne A. ROOT LIBERTARIAN PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
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UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)

Mitch McConnell REPUBLICAN PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bruce LUNSFORD DEMOCRATIC PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
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UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE in CONGRESS 1st Congressional District (Vote for One)

Edward WHITFIELD REPUBLICAN PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heather A. RYAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
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STATE REPRESENTATIVE 4th Representative District (Vote for One)

Mike CHERRY DEMOCRATIC PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/>
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ALL PRECINCTS

NONPARTISAN "SCHOOL CANDIDATES"	
MEMBER BOARD of EDUCATION 1st Educational District (Vote for One)	
Bill Jay ASBRIDGE	<input type="checkbox"/>
Write in	<input type="checkbox"/>

MARION #4 & FRANCES #7 & #8

MEMBER BOARD of EDUCATION 3rd Educational District (Vote for One)	
Christopher E. COOK	<input type="checkbox"/>
Write in	<input type="checkbox"/>

MARION #1 & FORDS FERRY #5

MEMBER BOARD of EDUCATION 4th Educational District (Vote for One)	
Pam COLLINS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ronald "Red" HOWTON	<input type="checkbox"/>
Write in	<input type="checkbox"/>

MARION #2 AND ROSEBUD #11

NONPARTISAN CITY BALLOT	
CITY COUNCIL City of Marion (Vote for Six)	
Dwight SHERER	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael R. BYFORD	<input type="checkbox"/>
Darrin TABOR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Janet Crider PIERCE	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bill FRAZER	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donald ARFLACK	<input type="checkbox"/>
James "Jim" BROWN	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott TABOR	<input type="checkbox"/>
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PART OF MARION #1, #2,
#3, #4, & #6

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Papa & Dee and
Mammy & Bob

<div>Marion City Council</div> <div>All eight candidates for Marion City Council earlier this month were sent the same survey questions from The Crittenden Press and have submitted answers to the questions listed below. The answers appear as submitted, with the exception of editing for brevity.</div> <div>City council is a non-partisan race for voters inside the City of Marion only. The top six vote-getters in the Nov. 4 election will serve a two-year term on city council. Incumbents are indicated with an asterisk.</div>	<div>Scott E. Tabor</div> <div><div>Age: 38 Spouse: Melissa K. Tabor Address: 727 E. Depot St., 12-year resident of city and lifetime resident of Crittenden County Occupation: Owner of Tabor's Chevron and 24-hour Towing since 2000 Other: Member and immediate past president of Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce; member of Emmanuel Baptist Church Contact: tabortowing@hotmail.com, 965-2223</div></div>	<div>Donald Arflack*</div> <div><div>Age: 51 Spouse: Barbara Arflack Address: 261 Old Shady Grove Road, lifetime resident of Marion Occupation: RN and information systems technician at Crittenden Health Systems for last 31 years Other: Member of Marion Baptist Church, Crittenden County Rescue Squad Chief, member of Marion and Crittenden fire departments</div></div>	<div>Dwight Sherer*</div> <div><div>Age: 55 Spouse: Mayree Sherer Address: 405 Fords Ferry Road, lifetime resident of Crittenden County Occupation: Stamping coordinator at Safetran Systems Other: Member of Deer Creek Baptist Church, city's representative on Crittenden County Economic Development Corp. board of directors, videotech for Rocket football team, board member of Crittenden County Quarterback Club Contact: crockets@mchsi.com, 965-3575</div></div>	<div>Bill Frazer</div> <div><div>Age: 62 Spouse: Sherry Frazer; Children: Bart and Sara Address: 315 Clark St., native of Marion and resident for the last 23 years Occupation: Self-employed consultant in the mining industry Other: Member of the Marion United Methodist Church, board member of the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum Inc. since it started in 1991, board member of the Farmers Bank and Trust Co. since 1995 Contact: bfrazer@kynet.biz, 704-0150</div></div>
Have you been elected to or run for office before?	Ran unsuccessfully for city council several years ago.	Two-term city council member.	Four-term city council member.	Never been elected but ran for school board around 1970.
Why are you interested in seeking this position?	I want to see Marion grow and prosper. I want to see the city take a fresh look at some of the same old problems.	To continue to try to make Marion a better place and see that money is spent wisely to benefit everyone.	I would like to continue working for progress we are making in the city.	I want to give back to the city that has bestowed on me so many blessings. I can only do that by offering my life's experiences to you so that I may try to make Marion an even greater city.
What do you feel most qualifies you for this elected position?	Owner and manager of my own business, past management experience and leadership in the Chamber.	One previous term as councilman and willingness to speak up; open to new ideas and directions.	With eight years' experience on the city council, I think I understand what problems the city may face in the future.	I have worked for farmers, mining engineers, geologists, metallurgists, hydrologists and myself over the last 45-plus years. Persistence and determination alone are my qualifications.
What would you most like to see addressed by city council if you are elected?	Completion of water and sewer projects to all Marion residents.	I would like to see us continue the projects in progress now and continue to work on the water and sewer plant upgrade solutions.	Following through on a new fire station; working with tourism to develop our natural resources and recreation opportunities.	First, we need a better source of drinking water. Second, the city must also fix the leaky water distribution lines. Lastly, we need to replace our porous sewer system along with the collection system.
In your opinion, what is the biggest issue facing our city?	Water and sewer treatment and economic growth.	Our water and sewer plants are going to be our largest financial challenges in the near future.	Working with CCEDC to help create new jobs or expand existing businesses and planning for a new sewer plant or updating the old one.	I want to help the city find a better source of raw water. The water we now have smells like pond water when heated or tastes like Clorox when you drink it. We have good water plant employees but they can only do so much with the supply of water they have to work with.
What are the biggest weaknesses and strengths of our city?	Weakness: Aging infrastructure and many run-down buildings; Strengths: Knowledgeable, active community with potential for growth.	Weakness: Our availability of good jobs; Strength: Small-town friendliness that visitors like.	Weakness: Lack of good transportation abilities (four-lane access to interstate); Strength: People willing to work together helping each other (i.e., recent ice and wind storms).	Weakness: Our water and sewer systems. Strength: The financial soundness of our city.
What is your overall level of satisfaction with the current council?	Somewhat satisfied. The current council is a good group of people with a lot of good ideas, but I feel they have focused too hard on some issues that have no growth value for our city.	Very satisfied. We have a good, diverse group.	Somewhat satisfied. I think a lot of improvements have been made, such as road improvements and a new skate park. We have been able to lower taxes and start working toward a new fire station. But I would like to see us work toward more hotel space and maybe an arena to host events such as rodeos, concerts and motorcycle races. These are long-term goals.	Somewhat dissatisfied. ...Or I wouldn't be running. New blood, new ideas and more passion about issues is what will make Marion a better place to live.
The issue of allowing golf carts as an alternative form of transportation on city streets remains unresolved. Do you favor or oppose a law that would allow golf carts on streets?	Somewhat oppose. I do not feel that allowing golf carts on city streets will increase the city's prosperity. There are too many other issues this brings up: tax and license on carts, insurance, what about ATVs? Police have enough to do without chasing golf carts and enforcing this ordinance.	Somewhat oppose. Safety issues are No. 1 concern.	Somewhat oppose. As I understand the intent of the law, I would have no problem with residents living next to a golf course driving to and from the course, but would oppose more liberal driving distances. This would cause traffic and safety issues, plus require more law enforcement.	Strongly favor. If the carts have every safety requirement on them that is required on a car. I would also say that one could only <i>cross</i> Main Street, not drive up and down it. Why not... if it will save people their hard earned money?
The City of Marion and Crittenden Fiscal Court have approved a committee to begin preliminary study of a joint city-county government. Do you favor or oppose a joint government?	Somewhat oppose. Where do you draw the line with taxes and services? County residents will not favor any tax increase and city residents will resent their taxes being used to fund projects or services outside the city limits.	Somewhat oppose. Not really in favor, but open to study being done.	Somewhat oppose. From what small amount of information I have on this issue, it appears there may not be a lot of cost savings for small cities. But that's why a committee is looking into this issue.	No opinion. I do favor and strongly recommend that it be looked at in a very business-like manner in order to make sure it is good for all citizens.
What is your level of satisfaction with the City of Marion's efforts to enforce nuisance ordinances and other codes?	Somewhat dissatisfied. It is not the police department's job to enforce codes dealing with construction, overgrown lots, building conditions and disrepair. Yes, nuisances such as noises and vehicles should be addressed by police, but the city should have a code enforcement officer.	No opinion. I think some need to be revisited and changed. I personally don't agree with some of the codes/ordinances.	Somewhat satisfied.	Somewhat satisfied.
What could the City of Marion do to make the city a better place for its residents and visitors?	Improve services to residents and rid the city of dilapidated, run-down structures and buildings.	To continue to improve the looks of Main Street and downtown Marion. Do what is necessary to bring new industry to town and new jobs.	Continue to seek grants to improve sidewalks and more recreation for our children.	Continue to work together for the betterment of all and to encourage people to get more involved. We need to always be looking for our weaknesses and work to fix them in a timely manner.
What could the residents of Marion do to make the city a better place?	Participate in the governing process by voicing opinions; talk to officials – let their ideas and concerns be heard.	More citizens need to get involved in the community organizations.	Most residents do a good job of helping Marion look nice and be a place people want to live and visit.	Get involved with some organization! Don't be a wallflower or a complainer unless you are willing to work to change what you are complaining about.
What makes you proud to call Marion home?	Friendly hometown atmosphere, relatively low crime and ease of accessibility to leaders.	It has a lot of good people and is a good place to live.	People being friendly – welcoming strangers to town in restaurants or just meeting them on the streets.	The people – both past and present – who have worked and succeeded to make our little city what it is today.

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4. Law enforcement, upon request of Election Officials

5. Machine Technicians

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Community Spotlight

Par-4 recognizes team members

Par 4 Plastics, Marion's largest manufacturing company, has recognized Cliff Tabor as its Team Member of the Month. Individual recognition of employees is a regular effort by Par 4 Plastics. Each month, the company names a new recipient and generally announces the name in The Early Bird.

Previous Team Members of the Month in 2008 have been Matt Systo in January, Patsy Hollis in February, Rick Prado in March, Jeff Weathers in April, Karen Bean in May, Pat Collins in June, Amanda Loewen in July, Glenn Higginson in August and Matt Hodge in September. See the Early Bird each month for the company's Team Member of the Month.

Collins attends U.S. pharmacy meeting

Stuart Collins, director of Pharmacy at Crittenden Health Systems, attended the Community Health Systems' National Pharmacy Directors' meeting in Franklin, Tenn., Oct. 14-17. Attendees were granted over 17 hours of continuing education credit on topics such as patient safety and medication efficiency issues, antibiotic stewardship, developing a high performance pharmacy department

Jewell adds to record enrollment

A Crittenden County resident is among the record number of students enrolled at Transylvania University in Kentucky.

Junior Amanda Jewell, a drama and art history double major, is the daughter of Eddie and Ydonna Jewell of Marion. She is part of a record enrollment at the private school of 1,158, five more than the previous record set last year.

The record enrollment is attributed to an excellent retention rate of returning students combined with a full class of new students and 12 transfer students.

Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's 16th oldest

Marion native's son now Eagle Scout

Randal Scott Phillips II of Louisville received his Boy Scouts of America Eagle award on Aug. 8.

His is the son of Randal and Teresa (Corley) Phillips of Louisville. She is originally from Marion.

Randal Phillips is presently at Parris Island, S.C., in the Marine Corps basic training. He is scheduled to graduate on Nov. 8.

Berry part of MSU honors reunion

Murray State University recently hosted a reunion on campus for the summer 2008 Commonwealth Honors Academy. Fifty-six high school seniors, including Kara Berry of Crittenden County, returned to MSU to reunite with fellow participants and CHA faculty and staff.

The three-week residential program for top students was held in Murray during the month of June. An academically challenging program, CHA also offers opportunities for social and personal growth in a college setting. Students who complete the program receive six hours of university credit, have the opportunity to take six hours of tuition-free university courses at MSU during their senior year in high school, and will be awarded a housing/leadership scholarship to attend Murray State University.


Marion employees reach milestones

The City of Marion honored two of its workers Monday night for their employment anniversaries.

Tim Hodge, lead operator at the city's wastewater treatment plant off Sturgis Road in Marion was honored for 10 years with Marion. Also honored was senior police officer Bobby West, who achieved his five-year anniversary with the city's police department.

Hodge

West

<div><div>Michael Byford</div><div><div><div>Age: 55</div><div>Spouse: Diana Byford;</div><div>Children: Two adult step-children</div><div>Address: 240 W. Bellville St., lifetime resident of Marion</div><div>Occupation: Bookkeeper at Johnson's Furniture and Appliances</div><div>Other: Crittenden County Lions Club secretary, Marion Cemetery Association secretary-treasurer, member of Marion Fire Department</div></div></div></div>	<div><div>Jim Brown*</div><div><div><div>Age: 78</div><div>Spouse: Kathy Brown;</div><div>Children: Debbie, Jim and Ronny</div><div>Address: 136 Briarwood Dr., native of Crittenden County</div><div>Occupation: Retired</div><div>Other: Served in U.S. Army 1951-52, Baptist faith</div></div></div><div>Contact: 965-5457</div></div>	<div><div>Darrin Tabor*</div><div><div><div>Age: 41</div><div>Spouse: Laura Tabor;</div><div>Children: Alexis and Xander</div><div>Address: 1104 Old Morganfield Road, lifetime resident of Crittenden County</div><div>Occupation: Real estate broker</div><div>Other: Member of AMA, NWTf, DU, NRA, QDMA,</div></div></div><div>Crittenden County Youth Soccer Association</div><div>Contact: darrintabor@yahoo.com, 965-4054</div></div>	<div><div>Janet Pierce*</div><div><div><div>Age: 46</div><div>Children: Alec and Francesca</div><div>Address: 134 Circle Dr., lifetime resident of Marion</div><div>Occupation: Employed at Farmers Bank and Trust Co.</div><div>Other: Member of Marion Church of Christ, attends Fredonia Cumberland Pres-</div></div></div><div>byterian Church.</div><div>Contact: 965-3497</div></div>	<div><div>Marion City Council</div><div>Eligible precincts: No. 1Courthouse basement No. 2Emmanuel Baptist Church* No. 3Marion Baptist Church No. 4Crittenden County Elementary School No. 6Sealing Solutions <i>*Formerly, voters in this precinct voted at the Kentucky Army National Guard Armory</i></div><div>Vote Nov. 4</div><div>Polls are open from 6 a.m., to 6 p.m. <i>Absentee balloting available through Nov. 3 in the county clerk's office in the courthouse</i></div></div>
Former city council member for 15 years, ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 2006.	Two-term Marion City Council member.	First-term Marion City Council member.	Three-term Marion City Council member.	Have you been elected to or run for office before?
To help provide the citizens of Marion the best life has to offer.	Because there are several things still to be done and I believe I can be a big help in doing them.	This is my home and I would like to ensure all our children have the opportunity to live and raise their families here.	I like being a part of a decision-making council that cares about the city and the residents. The goal of the council is to make our city a better place to live and work.	Why are you interested in seeking this position?
I've lived here all my life, and I see what needs to be done.	I have served on the council four years, also was a policeman 14 years, and I understand the problems (residents) face each day.	I have three years' experience on city council.	I'm a good listener and I believe that the citizens feel comfortable coming to me with any concerns or problems that they may be facing, knowing that I am fair and will give every issue serious consideration.	What do you feel most qualifies you for this elected position?
New fire station, water improvement.	No. 1, water and sewers. Also streets and industry. We need jobs.	Water quality and supply; sewer plant upgrades for compliance.	Making sure all residents in the city are given the opportunity to receive city sewer if they want, and making sure all projects started are finished in a reasonable time. Finally, building a new fire station.	What would you most like to see addressed by city council if you are elected?
Jobs, better water.	Water and sewer lines are the biggest thing facing our city. We cannot have clean water until we have clean water lines.	Needed upgrades for our sewer plant to meet increasingly stringent codes mandated by the state.	The sewer system, and I've had a few people having trouble with their water, such as the water having a terrible odor and having a dingy color. I would like to see those issues checked into.	In your opinion, what is the biggest issue facing our city?
Weakness: Lack of jobs; Strength: Work-force	Weakness: Our code enforcement; Strength: Our police department.	Weakness: Our roads leading into and out of town for future manufacturing development. Strength: City employees.	Weakness: I can't say that I see any real weaknesses. Strength: We have a mayor, city administrator and council who works well together and are willing to bring all concerns to the table.	What are the biggest weaknesses and strengths of our city?
Somewhat satisfied.	Very satisfied.	Very satisfied.	Very satisfied.	What is your overall level of satisfaction with the current council?
Somewhat favor.	Strongly oppose.	Strongly oppose.	Somewhat oppose. I see more disadvantages than advantages, but I do believe it would possibly cause more problems than we need. We would need a lot more regulation than I think we are aware of, but it wouldn't hurt to look at it more closely just to give it a fair shot.	The issue of allowing golf carts as an alternative form of transportation on city streets remains unresolved. Do you favor or oppose a law that would allow golf carts on streets?
Somewhat favor.	Strongly oppose.	No opinion.	Somewhat opposed. I'm really not in favor of a joint government but I'm not opposed to selecting a committee to study the pros and cons.	The City of Marion and Crittenden Fiscal Court have approved a committee to begin preliminary study of a joint city-county government. Do you favor or oppose a joint government?
Somewhat satisfied.	Very dissatisfied.	Somewhat satisfied.	Very satisfied.	What is your level of satisfaction with the City of Marion's efforts to enforce nuisance ordinances and other codes?
Create more jobs.	Keep doing just what they are doing. In the last five years, we have come a long way.	Improve traffic flow on Main Street.	Listen and be willing to work on all issues.	What could the City of Marion do to make the city a better place for its residents and visitors?
Get involved more.	The residents as a whole are keeping their properties looking nice; just keep up the good work.	Re-elect me to the city council. I think we are doing a great job.	Provide the city with more input on all issues and concerns.	What could the residents of Marion do to make the city a better place?
Quality of life here and its people.	Friendly people, convenient, near doctors and hospital and a wonderful small town atmosphere.	The people you meet on the streets are the nicest people anywhere.	To see all the organizations working together to keep the history of the city going and always looking ahead to how we can make our city better.	What makes you proud to call Marion home?

CCHS teens ‘Drive to Stay Alive’

STAFF REPORT

Two Crittenden County High School students were among 27 throughout the commonwealth selected by Kentucky State Police to participate in last month's "Drive to Stay Alive" program. Kara Berry, a CCHS junior, and Cody McDonald, a senior, were local representatives in the program, which was held at the KSP Training Academy in Frankfort and Kentucky Speedway in Sparta.

The "Drive to Stay Alive" program uses KSP instructors to teach students safe driving techniques with hands-on road driving and classroom exercises.

McDonald is the son of Tony and Penny McDonald of Marion. Berry, the daughter of Jack and Michelle Berry of Marion, is excited to bring the message that she learned from KSP back to Crittenden County.

"It was a great experience," she said. "I wish every teen could go through the 'Drive To Stay Alive' program."

Tim Lucas, Commander for the KSP Highway Safety Branch, explained that the program is designed not only

to decrease teen crashes but also to provide students with the tools to be advocates in their own communities. According to Lucas, the real potential of the "Drive To Stay Alive" program begins after the students return to their schools.

"The students are teamed with an experienced state trooper to spread the message to the student body in each school and to their community as well," he says. "The effectiveness of the program is based on the concept that a message conveyed by a fellow student carries more weight with other students and is therefore more memorable."

The students will be evaluated and scored on the safe driving programs they present to their respective schools and communities. The students with the most effective programs are eligible for scholarship funds. Their schools will be rewarded as well.

Last year in Kentucky, teen drivers accounted for 23,113 collisions. Of that figure, there were 112 fatalities. Even more alarming, are the 2007 Driving Under the Influence (DUI) charges for drivers between the ages of 16-19. There were 3,108 first offense DUI charges and 177 second offense charges filed in Kentucky district



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Crittenden County High School junior Kara Berry is pictured with Kentucky State Police Capt. Tim Lucas receiving her "Drive to Stay Alive" graduation certificate.

court last year.

"The goal of this program is to decrease teen fatalities on Kentucky roadways," says Kentucky State Police Commissioner Rodney Brewer. "Nationally, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among teenagers."

Commissioner Brewer believes the "Drive to Stay Alive" program will have a lasting effect on teens like Berry and McDonald.

"These students have a unique opportunity to make a real difference," says Brewer.

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Crittenden County Board of Ed

All four candidates for Crittenden County Board of Education earlier this month were sent the same survey questions from The Crittenden Press and have submitted answers to the questions listed below. Two candidates, though unopposed, chose to answer the survey. Answers appear as submitted, with the exception of editing for brevity. School board is a non-partisan race for voters inside the respective board district only. Incumbents are indicated with an asterisk

District 4: Precincts 2, 11

Pam Collins



Age: 46
Spouse: Stuart Collins;
Children Maggie and Mauri
Address: 2743 U.S. 60 East, 12-year resident of Marion
Occupation: Stay-at-home mother
Other: 1994 graduate of the University of Texas at Arlington, two-year SBDM parent representative at CCMS, four years as a parent rep at CCES, graduate of the Prichard Committee's Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership, volunteer head coach of the CCMS Lady Rocket basketball team, member of Marion Baptist Church, 4-H Club leader.
Contact: spcollins@bellsouth.net, 965-3216

Ronald "Red" Howton*



Age: 60
Spouse: Peggy; Children: Ronnie
Address: 204 Club Dr., 42-year resident of Marion and Crittenden County
Occupation: Retired/disabled
Other: Member of Mexico Baptist Church, chief of Marion Fire Department since 1983 and member for 37 years, CCHS Diamond Club secretary, served six years as secretary of Marion-Crittenden County Park board of directors
Contact: howtonr@bellsouth.net, 965-4272

District 3: Precincts 1, 5

Chris Cook*



Age: 40
Spouse: Tracy Cook
Address: 237 W. Bellville St., lifetime resident of Crittenden County including last three years in Marion.
Occupation: Vice president of Farmers Bank and Trust Co.
Other: CCHS valedictorian, graduate of Transylvania University in Lexington, graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University, past president of Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce, past president of Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation, member of Marion United Methodist Church and former chair of administrative council, former chair of Pennyrite Housing Corporation

District 1: Precincts 4, 7, 8

Bill J. Asbridge*



Age: 47
Spouse: Kim Asbridge;
Children: Justin M., Jared W. and Clint
Address: 3863 SR 70, lifetime resident of Crittenden County
Occupation: Owner of Asbridge Body Shop in Frances
Other: Member and elder of Frances Presbyterian Church, member of booster club organizations, formerly served on Frances Elementary and Crittenden SBDM, served on CCES consolidation facilitating committee, have achieved Level 5 training from the Kentucky School Board Association, chaired board of education in 2004
Contact: 988-3271

Have you been elected to or run for office before?	Not elected to public office, but to CCES and CCMS SBDMs.	First-term board of education member for District 4, Crittenden magistrate in early 1980s.	First-term board of education member for District 3.	Two-term board of education member for District 1.
Why are you interested in seeking this position?	We have a responsibility as parents and members of a community to be involved and stay involved. My husband received a great education in Crittenden County. I want to help offer the same opportunity to my children and all children who attend school here now and in the future.	I hold the office now and think our school system is on the verge of becoming one of the top districts in the state. I would like to stay on to continue helping do what we're doing to get there.	I am excited about the positive direction that our schools are headed and want to continue to encourage and support the momentum. Students will be the beneficiaries of the improvements that are occurring. Serving students and schools is a perfect way to express my passion for lifelong learning.	To help ensure that my child and all students receive the best education possible and are prepared for the future.
What do you feel most qualifies you for this elected position?	I value my own education. I worked my way through college. That may not be the quickest way, but working for something gives you great appreciation of it. Also, my time on the SBDM Councils taught me a lot about our schools and how they function.	Have been on the board for four years, have got 160 hours of Kentucky School Board Association training and I don't have a problem making a difficult decision for the benefit of the students in school system.	The fact that education has been and continues to be at the heart of my life is the foundation of my qualifications to serve as a school board member. Education is at my core; it is my life.	Past experience in this position and the true love and concern as a parent for all students in the district.
What would you most like to see addressed by the board of education if you are elected?	Continue to expect excellence in the boardroom, meeting room and classroom.	Would like for us to keep on the track we're on now with the new superintendent. She is energetic and ready to make us one of the top districts in the state.	Our primary focus should always be providing the leadership and resources to ensure that our students graduate prepared for life.	As a board, we have currently addressed driving instruction and academic proficiency by 2014 to make Crittenden County schools the top school in our state. I think that needs to continue to be our focus.
In your opinion, what is the biggest issue facing the board of education?	Budget. I am dealing with it as a coach. I am dealing with it at SBDM meetings. We are in tough times. But, just like in our homes, if we work hard, plan well, and stay committed to the things that really matter we will win.	Constantly increasing prices and declining revenue.	Ensuring teachers have the time to teach students the knowledge and skills to succeed in life. Our state should focus less on preparing for state specific tests such as the Kentucky Core Content Test and focus more on preparing for tests that matter to our students' futures like the ACT and/or the WorkKeys exam.	Our budget, unfunded mandates from the state and uncertain fuel and energy costs. You can help by contacting our local legislators and telling them to stop or fully fund state-mandated raises.
What are the biggest weaknesses and strengths of the school district?	Weakness: Not enough positive parental involvement. This resource costs schools no money, but has potential to impact students in a great way. Strength: Teachers, administrators, staff who are passionate about jobs.	Weakness: Not enough revenue to provide the academic and cultural enrichment programs our students need. Strength: Students and staff from the janitors all the way to the superintendent.	Weakness: Too many of our graduates are not prepared for college level coursework, employment or military service. Strength: Students and our staff. We are blessed with good students and dedicated staff.	Weakness: Reading and math at secondary level and drop-out rate. Strength: Strong collaborative focus throughout district to target these content areas and encouraging parental support in drop-out and attendance.
What is your overall level of satisfaction with the current board of education?	Very satisfied. I am excited about the days ahead for our schools and I hope to have the opportunity to be a part of them.	Very satisfied. We work together as a team and everybody is able to voice their opinion. When ideas are shared, you might come up with something better than you started with.	Very satisfied. Your board of education is a team that enjoys working together with one common goal – what is best for the students of Crittenden County schools.	Somewhat satisfied. I feel we are moving in the right direction and show a strong team effort.
Do you favor or oppose a four-day school week as a way to reduce expenses?	Somewhat favor. I can see both positive and negative. As a stay-at-home mom, our home would not be as impacted as one where both parents work and childcare would be an issue.	Somewhat oppose. The only way I would be in favor of a four-day school week is if there were substantial savings (well over \$100,000) without interrupting the education of the children.	Somewhat favor. I am open to exploring any option that reduces our expenses and does not negatively impact student learning.	Somewhat favor. As a board member, all options are open and in tough economic times, we will have to find ways to think outside of the box. Some form of a modified calendar could have possible benefits.
Distractions in the classroom can often be brought on by problems with discipline. Do you favor or oppose stronger discipline or dress codes for students, particularly at the middle and high schools?	Strongly favor. I believe that our dress codes and discipline are paramount in importance.	Somewhat favor. I think the board has the procedures in place if they are followed. This is more of a site-based question. Between the SBDMs, they need to sit down with the board and come up with a universal dress code and enforce it fairly.	Somewhat favor. Appropriate levels of discipline and appropriate dress of students and staff provide the setting for meaningful learning to occur. Consistency of discipline and dress codes across all schools is critical and development should involve the SBDM from all schools and the board.	Somewhat oppose. The board and SBDM of each school have set policies dealing with these issues. If consistently enforced, I see no need for new policies.
Do you believe Crittenden County graduates are prepared for college or a career?	Somewhat agree. There's still work to be done. I have heard more than once, "These kids graduate and they can't even count change!" I know our schools are working on this and many other life skills that are necessary.	Somewhat agree. I feel like the ones that want to be prepared for college and a career can be. Also, I think the WorkKeys testing is going to make a big difference. It will give students a chance to know what they're ready for in the working world.	Somewhat agree. College statistics and employer and armed services recruiter feedback support the fact that too many of our graduates are not prepared for college, a career or the armed services.	Somewhat agree. However, I believe there is always room for improvement with technology constantly changing.
What could the board of education do to make the district better for its students and teachers?	Stay committed. Stay focused. Communicate. Care. If we do these things, we will succeed.	Right now, it would be to continue with the things we have started. I think in the next two to three years you are going to see a significant improvement in test scores.	The board can improve the district by working with students, parents, teachers, staff, employers, the community and legislators to ensure that our energy and resources are focused on preparing our students for life.	The Board is reaching out to students, teachers and staff for comments and suggestions on how to improve all areas of our district. The Board has developed goals and commitments to improve quality in education.
What could parents and students do to make the district better?	Parents, be involved. Stay involved. Nothing is a better investment than time invested into a young person's life. Students, take pride in school and community. Work hard.	Parents could become more involved with the school system. Students could become more involved in education process by making suggestions to board and teachers.	Parents and students must make education a lifelong priority. If parents and students value education, our district and community will experience unprecedented improvement.	Parents have the greatest influence on their children and need to reinforce daily the importance of education. As for students, they need to realize the sky is the limit for potential.
What makes you proud to send your students to Crittenden County schools?	This district has the same potential as the school district I grew up in that was in the top 10 percent of Texas. My dream is that ours is a district that other districts visit and say, "How did you do this?" I believe we are positioned to do great things.	I believe Crittenden County is the best school district there is around here. We've always got kids from surrounding counties wanting to come to school here. It's getting better everyday.	Our history of achievement and our future of unlimited possibilities (which are quite probable) make now the best time ever for a student to be enrolled in Crittenden County schools.	I feel Crittenden County has the most dedicated and caring faculty and staff in our area. You can see the high level of commitment throughout our district with the focus being on continued improvement in education.

Churchnotes

■ Marion Baptist Church will have revival Sunday through Wednesday. Services will be held at 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Sunday and at 6:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. Lunch/Devotionals will be held at noon, Monday through Wednesday. Evangelist will be Rodney Crude and worship will be led by Cody Brown and the Hardin Baptist Youth Praise Band.

■ Piney Fork Church will be having Revival services starting at 7 nightly Monday through Oct. 31 with Bro. Steve Stone evangelist and song leaders Elaine and Danny York.

■ Cave Springs and Lola Baptist Churches will have combined revival services at Cave Springs Church, near Joy beginning at 7 p.m., Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Bro. Jerry Thurman will be bringing the messages and special singing is planned for each night. Everyone is invited to attend and join the worship.

■ Maranatha General Baptist Church announces that their church van will be picking up passengers for church in the Salem area. For a ride call 988-4456 or 988-3056 or 988-4656.

■ Sturgis Baptist Church is currently hosting a Missions Conference. Sunday service will be at 10 a.m. and Wednesday through Saturday services will be held at 7 nightly with evangelist John O'Malley from Kings Mountain, N.C. The church is located at 620 Adams St. in Sturgis. For information, contact 333-7597.

■ Main Street Missionary Baptist Church will hold Revival Nov. 2 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. with Bro. Noble Cobb as evangelist.

■ Harvest House Pentecostal Church is having an Olan Mills Picture Fundraiser. There will be two packages to choose from for just \$10. Contact Monica Tabor at 704-3247 for details.

■ Miracle Word Church in Salem will have revival at 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday and at 6:30 p.m. Sunday with evangelist Johnny Blount.

■ Sulphur Springs Baptist Church will hold Revival Nov. 2-5 with Rev. Bob Morrison as evangelist. Sunday service will be held at 11 a.m. and evening services at 7 p.m.

The Press

Community Calendar

Today

■ Crittenden Hospital Auxiliary Cookbooks are now available in the gift shop, front lobby of the hospital.

■ Free food will be available today (Thursday) at the Senior Citizens Center on North Walker Street from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Residents are asked to pick up food only for themselves.

■ Crittenden County Public Library Board of Directors will meet at 5 p.m., today (Thursday) at the library.

■ The Senior Citizens Center in Marion will host Chair Volleyball at 10:30 a.m., today (Thursday).

Friday

■ Bingo will be played at 10:30 a.m., Friday at the Senior Citizens Center in Marion.

Saturday

■ Woodmen of the World will sponsor "make a difference day" Saturday. They will clean gutters and rake leaves for senior citizens who are unable to do it for themselves. Call Woodmen if you need this service. Woodmen members meet at Jeff Winn's office on West Gum Street at 10 a.m., with rakes, ladders, etc.

■ The nine- to 13-year-old youth group at Marion United Methodist Church will be conducting a collection drive to stock the church food pantry beginning at 1 p.m., Saturday. Youth will be soliciting donations throughout the community on this afternoon in order to help provide food to those who seek assistance from

the church. To schedule a donation in advance, call Ashley Thomas at 965-9727.

■ Webster County Ducks Unlimited will have its fall banquet, auction and raffle on Saturday in the Carhart building located on Hwy. 41-A just north of Providence. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7 p.m. and auction to follow. For more information or to make your early bird reservation please call 667-9535 or 667-2984.

Monday

■ The CCHS SBDM meeting has been postponed to 5:30 p.m. Monday.

■ The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Local Chapter 1373, will meet at the NARFE Fall Round-Up Monday at Miss Scarlett's in Grand Rivers. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. There will be an update on the National NARFE Convention held in September and a Blue Cross/Blue Shield representative will be there to answer government health insurance questions. Guests are welcome but need to call Tom Diaz at 965-2621.

■ Some Crittenden County High School and Middle School students will paint the town red Monday in order to raise awareness of drug abuse. The Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the schools, is planning to hang red balloons throughout town Monday. Michelle Fowler, executive secretary of the Chamber, says townspeople and merchants are encouraged to wear red on that day, too.

Tuesday

■ The Democratic Women of Crittenden County will meet at 6 p.m., Oct. 28 at the Crittenden County Public Library. All Democratic women are invited to attend. Officer elections will be held.

■ Crittenden County Farm Bureau is now taking orders for 2008 Citrus Fruit. Any Farm Bureau member who would like to place an order needs to stop by the office or call 965-4624 by Tuesday.

■ Tuesday is the last day in Kentucky to request a mail-in absentee ballot from the county clerk's office.

■ The American Cancer Society and Conrad's Food Store will sponsor the annual "Grocers Against Cancer Day" Tuesday. There will be cancer information available and "celebrity baggers" to bag groceries and carry out for tips. A percentage of sales will be given to the American Cancer Society.

■ Family Literacy Night will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Tuesday at Crittenden County Elementary School. Parents will have the opportunity to attend a session on MAP testing and a session on writing. Students will be doing many activities centered on the theme of "Hats Off to Literacy." Wear your favorite hat. Door prizes will be given.

■ Hershel Belt will be playing music at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Senior Citizens Center.

Wednesday

■ Bro. Rob. Ison will be speaking at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the Senior Citizens Center.

Next Thursday

■ Free food will be available today (Thursday) at the Senior Citizens Center on North Walker Street from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Residents are asked to pick up food only for themselves.

Upcoming

■ Retired Potter & Brumfield employees will meet at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 5 for lunch at The Cozy Hearth Restaurant in Marion. For additional information call Mary Lena Belt at 965-3423.

■ The sixth annual Trick or Treat on Main Street in Marion will be from 3:30 to 5 p.m., Oct. 31. Crittenden Health Systems and Marion Main Street Inc., are once again the co-sponsors. Children under the age of 12 may visit participating downtown businesses for free safety-tip treat bags and candy, according to Main Street director Rose Corder. At the conclusion of trick or treating, CHS will host a costume contest at 5 p.m.

Ongoing

■ Crittenden County High School seniors are being asked to bring in pictures for a senior slide show. Photos can be from any time of year from kindergarten through the senior year. Photos must be turned in before Thanksgiving break.

■ Crittenden County students are encouraged to save Campbell's soup labels, as they help to purchase electronics for the school system. The labels, as well as certain box tops, can be turned in to school offices for credit.

OBITUARIES

Hicks

Roy Mitchell Hicks, 78, of Marion, died at 11:27 p.m., Friday, Oct. 17, 2008 at Crittenden Hospital. Hicks was a member of Marion First Baptist Church and Bigham Masonic Lodge #256 F & AM. He was a retired chief master sergeant from the United States Air Force, and retired from Henry and Henry Monuments in Marion.



Survivors include, wife Lois Hicks, Marion; sons, James C. Hicks of Deer Park, Texas, and Roy Anthony Hicks of Phillipsburg, N.J.; a daughter, Tracey Choat of Eddyville; brothers, Bill, Ferrell and Leon Hicks, all of Tennessee and Charles Hicks of Oklahoma; sisters, Geneva Logan of Tennessee, and Brenda Patterson of Georgia; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Hicks was preceded in death by his parents James Martin and Bertha Murr Hicks; a son, Michael Hicks; two brothers; and one sister.

Funeral services were Monday, Oct. 20 at Myers Funeral Home in Marion with Rev. Mike Jones and Rev. Jerry Thurman officiating.

Burial was at Mapleview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to either the Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center 131 E. Depot St., Marion, KY 42064 or River City Mission P.O. Box 1000, Paducah, KY 42003.

Campbell

Daniel Ray Campbell, 25, of Marion died Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008 at Madisonville.



Survivors include his parents, Bobby and Pam Campbell of Marion; two sisters, Chrystal Rich of Clay and Teresa Baird of Marion; grandmothers, Anna Lois Campbell and Reba Kersey, both of Marion; grandfather, Eugene Tinsley of Marion; his girlfriend, Brittany Atchison of Marion; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Carlos Ray Campbell.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Oct. 21 at Gilbert Funeral Home with Rev. Tim Burdon officiating. Burial was at Mexico Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Mexico Baptist Church Building Fund, Mexico Baptist Church Rd., Marion, KY 42064.

Travis

F.W. "Pete" Travis died Friday, Oct. 10, 2008 in Millington, Tenn. He was born July 31, 1920 in Crittenden County to Ernie Ray "Jack" Travis and Ethel McKinley.

His father died when he was three years old and his mother married Claudie Fulks, who raised Pete and his sister like his own. He graduated from Mattoon High School in Crittenden County where he was a basketball player.

Travis married Sibyl McDowell on Sept. 27, 1941. He was a professional driver, having driven for Dixie Grayhound and then retiring as a driver for Humko (Kraft).

Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Sibyl; two sons, Dell Ray and Lynn Wayne; three daughters-in-law, Nellie Travis, Vicki Travis, and Karen Travis; five grandchildren and spouses; seven great-grandchildren; six step great-grandchildren; and a sister, Lucille Stephenson of Bethalto, Ill.

He was preceded in death by one son, Tommy Lee; and his parents, Jack Travis and Ethel and Claudie Fulks.

Services were held Sunday, Oct. 12 at Northridge Woodhaven Funeral Home in Millington, Tenn. Burial was at Northridge Woodhaven Cemetery.

Howerton

Joe Henry Howerton, 91, of Marion, died Sunday, Oct. 19, 2008 at Livingston Hospital.



Howerton was a member of Dunn Springs Baptist Church and a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II.

Survivors include a son, Wayne Howerton of Marion; a daughter, Melinda Brasher of Marion; six grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Willie Perry Fritts Howerton; parents James Edgar and Alice Mae Strange Howerton; two sisters and two brothers.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Oct. 22 at Gilbert Funeral Home with Rev. John Dunn and Rev. Eddie Boone officiating. Burial was at Mount Zion Cemetery. Military rites were performed at the cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International, P.O. Box 304, Salem, KY 42078.

Hunt

Robert "Bobby" Dean Hunt died Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008 at Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Hunt was a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include two sons, Robert and Adam Hunt of Port St. Lucie; three grandchildren, all of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; three brothers, J.E. Hunt of Grand Rivers, and Eddie Hunt and Donnie Hunt, both of Marion.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Jane Hunt; wife Cathy Hunt; one son, Charlie Hunt and one brother, Shelby Hunt.

Mattingly

Wayne Collins Mattingly, 73, of Rome, Ga., formerly of Clay, died Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008 at his home.

He was born Aug. 5, 1935 to the late Harold Liston and Mary Allyne Mattingly of Clay.

Mattingly retired from the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C., in 1998 as a Senior Loan Officer.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Clara Ann Wilson Mattingly; two daughters, Molly Yancey and husband Dee of Rome, Ga., and Melissa "Mitzi" Breen of Rome; a son, Mitchell Wayne "Chip" Mattingly of Marion, Ind.; two sisters, Naona Ordway of Marion and Jane Collins of Wheatcroft; grandchildren, Harley, Jack and Mary Morgan Yancey of Rome, and Charlie, Joe and Will Breen of Rome.

Visitation will be from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 25 at Vanover Funeral Home in Clay. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday at Oak Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church near Clay with burial to follow in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Travis

William Marvin Monroe, 88, of Lyons, Ill., formerly of Lola, Ky. died Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2008 at Illinois Veterans Home in Manteno, Ill.

Arrangements at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem were incomplete at press time.

Online condolences may be offered at gilbertfunerals.com boydfuneraldirectors.com myersfuneralhomeonline.com

Extended obituaries require a nominal fee. Ask your funeral director about fee-based obituaries.

Curnell

Olivia Leann Curnell of Marion died at 10:10 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 19, 2008 at her home. Olivia was born Aug. 21, 2008 in Henderson.

Survivors include her parents Richard Curnell and Jennifer Messamore of Marion; maternal grandmother, Lisa Pyott and husband Michael; paternal grandparents, Cindy and Herman Curnell of Dawson Springs; two brothers, Nicholas and Lakota Curnell; one sister, Sevenna Messamore; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Bethany Curnell; one brother, Shakobe Curnell; and her grandfather, Kenneth Rector Sr.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 22 at Morgan's Funeral Home in Princeton. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m., Thursday Oct. 23 at the Curnell Family Farm Cemetery with Rev. Leslie Joyce officiating.

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Southern Crittenden News

By Michelle Henderson and Matthew T. Patton

If you haven't visited Dycusburg virtually lately, we welcome you to visit www.dycusburg.com. The site is updated frequently with historical, genealogical and breaking news. Additionally, Dycusburg can be found on MySpace and Facebook. Check it out. Recently added to dycusburg.com was an interesting account of the Markham family, early settlers of the county.

Attendance at Sunday School at Seven Springs was 49, with several more arriving for preaching.

We were surprised to read in the newspaper last week that attendance was down at Dycusburg Day. With all of the offerings held throughout the day, including the genealogical meeting at the church and the afternoon gospel singing, no one really took attendance. In fact, in terms of participation from vendors, this last Dycusburg Day was our most successful event ever. Keep an eye on this column for more details about the gazebo and other exciting projects from the Dycusburg Community Group.

Congratulations to Chase Matthews and Jennifer Waters who were married on Oct. 19 by Judge Exec. Fred Brown at the Henderson cabin on the Cumberland River. It was a gorgeous day.

October birthdays to report are Josh Mahns (Oct. 8), Debbie Holsapple (Oct. 26), Marlin Patton (Oct. 28) and Joe Bennett (Oct. 31).

Please share your news by e-mailing us at dycusburg@yahoo.com.

BIRTHS

Williams

Mark and Crissy (Wheeler) Williams of Marion announce the birth of twin daughters. Bella Ann Williams and Bradyn Elise Williams were born on Sept. 9, 2008 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

Bella weighed five pounds, 10 ounces and was 18 ¼ inches long.

Bradyn weighed four pounds, 13 ounces and was 17 ½ inches long.

They have a sister, Emma Cathryn Williams.

Maternal grandparents are Mary Ann Wheeler of Marion and the late Brad Wheeler.

Paternal grandparents are Ed and Shirley Williams of Marion.

Lanham

Robbie Lanham and Ashley Utley announce the birth of a son, Ian Hayden Lanham. Ian was born at 7:48 p.m., Sept. 18, 2008 at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah. He weighed six pounds, 11 ounces and was 18 ½ inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Janet Phillips of Marion and Billy E. Utley of Sturgis.

Paternal grandparents are Betty Lanham of Marion and the late Timmy Lanham.

Maternal great-grandparents are Sue Phillips of Marion and Mae Utley of Sturgis.

Paternal great-grandparents are the late Ray Holloman and Sandra Holloman of Marion, Peggy Cox of Texas and Jack Lanham of Marion.

Announce your new arrival at no charge in The Crittenden Press!

Minor maintenance prolongs deck

A wooden deck can be an attractive addition to a home offering additional entertaining space during the year's warmer months. Decks can also be a major investment that with a little care can remain looking good for years.

It doesn't take much work to keep your wooden deck looking good according to Linda Adler, UK extension specialist for home furnishings. She recommends to regularly remove dirt, mildew, and tannin (plant) stains to help wood last and look better longer.

Keep debris from collecting in the gaps and joints. This allows the wood to stay dry by exposing it to the sun and air. Otherwise, pressure-treated wood may darken and mildew while other woods may rot and eventually require replacement.

Occasionally sweep or hose foliage and other large debris off your deck. Remember, the longer sticks and decaying leaves sit on the surface, the more chance they have to stain and rot the wood.

Twice a year, lightly scrub your deck using a solution of warm water and a few squirts of liquid dishwashing detergent and a



stiff-bristle brush. Check with a home improvement store for a deck brush with a broom handle so you don't have to do this on your hands and knees. Every two years or so, give your deck a more thorough cleaning. You can use a two-step scrubbing method as outlined in the UK publication, Hit the Deck! Care and Maintenance of Outside Decks, or, if you're handy with tools, you can power spray.

Decks take a great deal of abuse from rain, snow, wind and sun. Although you can't change the weather, you can prolong the life of your deck by applying a finish. Ideally, wooden decks should be refinished in the fall, if needed, and kept clear of snow and ice during the winter.

Before applying a finish, clean the deck's surface. If the deck has previously been finished with a sealer, you will need to sand off any glossiness using a stiff

fiber brush and a mild detergent. Otherwise, the wood won't absorb the finish. Rinse well and allow time to dry.

Time your work to avoid direct sunlight when applying the finish. Don't apply a finish if rain is expected within 24 hours. Allow enough time to complete the job, based upon your basic mechanical skills and speed. For an 8-foot by 10-foot deck, time estimates range from four hours for an experienced person to eight hours for a beginner.

You have two choices for penetrating materials for finishes – sealers and stains. Sealers are transparent unless you buy a pigmented sealer. They prevent wood from absorbing water and delay the effects of weathering. Select one with a mildewcide to prevent mildew and rot. Stains both color and seal the wood. They're useful for covering up the green tinge of pressure-treated lumber. Semi-transparent stains tint the wood but allow the wood grain to show. Solid-color stains can be as opaque as paint.

You have options for applying the finish. A paint brush will take longer than either a standard roller or

an airless sprayer. However, a brush is easier for some people. Many professionals use an airless sprayer. Although it's fast and easy to use, be sure to protect the siding of the house and the ground underneath in case of overspray. Also, choose a day with little or no breeze. It's wise to start by spraying the understructure of the deck first. This gives you a chance to learn the technique before doing the more conspicuous upper side.

Try Green

Tomato Pie

Since it's about time for the last of the tomato crop, I thought you would enjoy this pie recipe. It was sent to me by Evelyn Hamilton who received it at a Homemaker club meeting in the 1950's.

I took the liberty of adding a few steps, the time for baking and temperature to assist new pie makers.

Green Tomato Pie
2 cups sliced green tomatoes (sliced thin)
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

2 tablespoons cornstarch
3/4 cup sugar – or more
2 tablespoons butter
Pastry for 9-inch 2-crust pie

Extra butter and sugar for topping

Wash and thinly slice tomatoes. No need to peel. In a saucepan, combine tomatoes with lemon juice, lemon rind, salt and cinnamon. Cook tomato mixture over low heat, stirring frequently. Combine sugar and cornstarch; stir into tomato mixture. Cook mixture until clear, stirring constantly. Add butter, remove from heat, and let stand until slightly cooled. Line a 9-inch pie plate with pastry; pour in tomato mixture. Top with second crust, or cut strips of unbaked crust and make a lattice top. Seal edges, crimp, and cut several small slits in crust to allow steam to escape. Dot with butter, sprinkle with sugar and bake at 425° for 35-45 minutes and bake until the crust is done and evenly browned. Serve warm or cooled.

Tip: If your pies tend to over-brown, cover the entire crust with foil for 20-30 minutes. Remove foil for the final minutes of baking.

Banquet helps fund more camp projects

The West Kentucky 4-H Camp Improvement Committee will be hosting its second annual banquet on Nov. 1. The banquet is open to anyone who enjoys having fun and is for the whole family.

The evening will begin with tours of the West Kentucky 4-H Camp in Dawson Springs at 4 p.m., there will be games for the kids starting at 5 p.m., and the dinner will be at 6:15 p.m. There will also be music, auctions, door prizes and a raffle. All proceeds from the evening will go toward making much-needed improvements for our summer 4-H camp projects.



Each year our West KY 4-H Camp hosts over 2,000 kids from across west Kentucky including around 30 from right here in Crittenden County. At 4-H Camp kids learn social skills, responsibility and leadership through a variety of fun activities including high and low ropes, fishing,

nature, horses, swimming and much more. 4-H camp is also very economical for families with the cost of only \$150 for the 2009 camp. This cost is far below most other summer camps available to kids.

The cost of our camp can be kept so reasonable thanks in part to the fundraisers sponsored by our West Kentucky Camp Improvement committee, such as the up-coming banquet. The money from the fundraiser will go to much needed maintenance as well as making several additions. The money raised from previous events has helped to build the high ropes course and the new

horse facility at camp. Our West Kentucky 4-H Camp is the only 4-H camp in the state to have a horse program.

Tickets for the banquet are available at the Extension Office for \$25 for adults and \$12 dollars for children 12 and under. The ticket entitles you to a camp tour, chances on a rifle, diner and door prizes. There is also a Platinum Package available for 4 people. The package includes four diner tickets, four camp tours, platinum gift bags, rifle raffle tickets and special door prize tickets. The cost of the Platinum package is \$250.

A rifle will also be raffled.

It is a Savage model 93 stainless steel rifle with "Accutrigger" and is .17 HMR caliber. Tickets for the rifle can be purchased at the Extension Office for \$5 each, 3 tickets for \$10, or 8 tickets for \$20. You do NOT have to be present to win! Those who purchase a banquet ticket will receive a ticket for the rifle and will receive another upon attending the banquet at no extra charge.

If you would like more information on this event or about 4-H Camp in general please contact the Crittenden County Extension Office at 965-5236.

DYCUSBURG & BEYOND

By Tina Cochrum

Fall revival was held at the Baptist church last week. Bro. C.C. Brasher delivered powerful messages each service to a good crowd. There was strong support in attendance from other churches in the area. Represented were Caldwell Springs Baptist Church, Hebron Baptist Church, Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dawson Springs Baptist Temple and Friendship Baptist. Special singing included Bro. James and Karen Oates, Bro. Willie Peek, Jennifer and Jeremy from Dawson Springs, and Cali Parish, who shared her testimony of salvation on Wednesday night.

First Tee, a golfing experience for children, held its last meeting on Oct. 21 at Deer Lakes golf course in Salem. Following the outing, participants were treated to a meal at McDonald's

in Eddyville and were presented with their own golf ball, Guide Dogs of America golf tee and Machinists golf towel, donated by Benny Adair, DBR of the Machinist Union District Lodge 154. The lessons have been led by Bro. James Oates and volunteers from the Baptist Church. First Tee will resume in the spring.

The annual fall celebration was held at the Baptist church Oct. 18. It was a huge success with a good crowd in attendance. Many won homemade cakes, pies and cookies from the cake walk and everyone enjoyed bingo and the other games. The kids were thrilled with the "Balloon Dude" (Jerry and Angel McDonald) ministry. Each child received a balloon animal and many volunteered to be a part of the act. Door prizes were won by several and no one left hungry as the chili supper

proved to be a lot of good eating. Outstanding costumes were worn by: Christian McCoy, cutest scarecrow; Brian McCoy II, biggest cowboy hat; Ian Aldridge, oldest cowboy hat; and Christopher Joiner, best marshall.

Area Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts continue to collect non-perishable food and new or gently used toys for underprivileged children at Christmas. Local scouts thank everyone who has helped in their effort, which will continue through early December.

"Trunk or Treats" will be held on the Dycusburg Baptist Church parking lot, Halloween beginning at 4:30 p.m. Trunks will be decorated and candy passed out as long as supplies last. Everyone is invited.

Ms. Nancy and the Bookmobile will make their regular stop at the Post

Office at 11:30 a.m., Thursday (today). Ms. Nancy has books and movies available and may be reached at the library by calling 965-3354 or by email at ccbookmobile@hotmail.com to

request books or to find out more information on home visits.

Out of town visitors of Virginia Peek over the weekend were Curly and Lena Conger of Earlington and Ruth Ann Williamson and



Carly, Ellie and Graycee Guess; Navia Davis; Brayden Williamson; Storm and Kendra Franklin; Hurst Miniard; Madison and Morgan Johnson and Hayley Jackson took The Press on a hayride around Frances.

CAF hosts Piatigorsky concert

The Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation will host a free Piatigorsky Foundation concert on Nov. 14. The Piatigorsky Foundation was established in 1990 in honor of the renowned Russian cellist, Gregor Piatigorsky (1903-1976).

The Piatigorsky Foundation will be bringing Dana Vachharajani, soprano, accompanied by Jeffrey Grossman, concert pianist, to Fohs Hall.

Dana Vachharajani is a graduate of The Juilliard School with her Masters Degree in Vocal Performance. Vachharajani received her Bachelors of Fine Arts from Carnegie Mellon University, and is now a resident of New York City. She has performed extensively with such organizations as the Opera Theater of Pittsburgh and the River City Brass Band.

Jeffrey Grossman has been consistently praised for his impressive and wide-ranging musicality in nearly every style. His extensive experience includes repertoire for the



Grossman



Wachharajani

piano, harpsichord, and chamber organ from every period of the classical repertoire. Grossman currently resides in New York City and Boston, where he is active as a collaborative pianist and harpsichordist.

Admission is free to the 7 p.m., Nov. 14 performance at Fohs Hall. Call 965-5983 for more information.

Wreck of the *Golconda* killed Tolu farmer

In The Crittenden Press, Aug. 22, 1901 are the headlines and story of the disaster of the steamer boat *City of Golconda* that was on its way to Paducah.

What connects this story to Crittenden County is that two of its passengers were from here, and most likely they were picked up at the Tolu dock, near their home in the small river town.

One perished by drowning and one lived to tell the story. Here is that story.

Many Perished in River Disaster

Tuesday morning Mr. R.C. Walker, editor of The Crittenden Press, received a telegram from Mr. J.M. Worten of Paducah, stating that the steamer *Golconda* had sunk. Later dispatches brought the following details of the awful accident.

The steamer *City of Golconda* sank four miles above Paducah Monday night and 16 or 17 lives were lost. The boat was caught in a storm which came up suddenly and there was scarcely a moment's warning. The disaster occurred between six and seven o'clock. Most of the passengers were at supper. The boat was turned completely over by the force of the wind, the stacks and pilothouse resting on the bottom of the river. There were about 30 people aboard.

The little craft was en route to Paducah from Golconda and was due here at seven o'clock. Shortly after six a heavy gale having the proportions of a hurricane, swept down on the boat as she reached the bar and set her to rocking. Capt. A.A. Peck, who was at the wheel in the pilothouse, rang the signal to stop.

When he rang the bell to go ahead there was no response. The maddening winds and threatening tongues of fire being belched out in quick succession from the clouds above them put the passengers in a panic.

Capt. Peck rang again, but received no response and he and Charley Courant, a passenger from Smithland, in the pilothouse with him made for the hur-



ricane roof. They met the engineer, his wife and little boy coming onto the roof. They had hardly reached it before a powerful wave of wind cap-sized the boat and completely turned her upside down, the smoke stacks, pilothouse and a portion of the hurricane roof resting on the bottom of the Ohio.

Large groups of people are at the scene of the wreck, where three divers are at work. This afternoon five of the bodies, all recovered thus far, arrived on the steamer *Mary N.* They were Mrs. Dave Adams and her niece, Miss Lacey Barnett, Miss Tricie Grimes, Miss Lizzie Graham and Mrs. W.A. Hogan. The two former will be taken to Birdsville this afternoon on the yacht *Brookhill* for burial

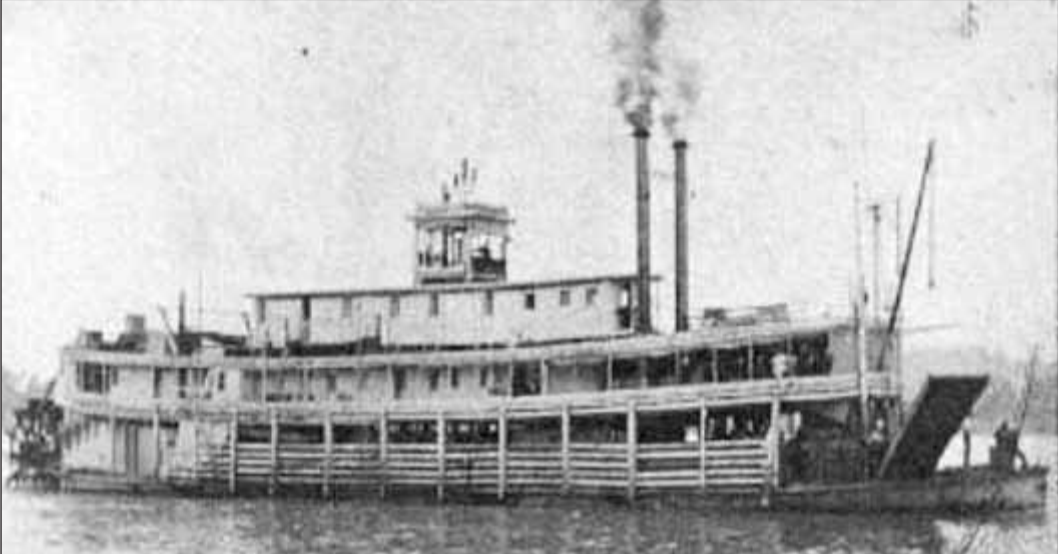
Further particulars of the disaster

Sixteen lives were lost in the terrible river disaster of last week. Nearly all the bodies have been recovered by the divers. The disaster was certainly one of the worst that ever occurred on the Ohio River.

The U.S. snagboat *E.A. Woodruff* had received permission from headquarters to go the wreck and raise it. The big steamer, with all the modern facilities to do such work, succeeded in turning the *Golconda* partly over and lifting her close to shore.

The steamer did not capsize, as reported, but careened, resting at an angle of 40 degrees. Her hull projected three feet out of the water. When the boat went over the cabin floated on the surface, but early Tuesday morning the boat settled down. The stacks were buried in the mud, and made an anchorage for the wreck.

The hull of the *Golconda*



This is a picture of a typical steamer of the period. No actual photograph of the steamer *Golconda* was available and none may exist.

was only three feet deep. About one year ago she was condemned, but the owner made certain repairs, and she was permitted by the inspectors to resume business; however, the *Golconda* has always been regarded as unsafe by river people.

The Paducah Democrat newspaper says: "Local river men unite in saying that the *City of Golconda* should never have been used as a passenger packet, being too narrow of beam for her upper works." This, so they say, made her top-heavy, unwieldy in a wind and dangerous except when carefully loaded and in smooth water.

The work of recovering bodies began Tuesday morning. The body of Miss Barnett was rescued from the same vicinity of the stateroom as that of the first body rescued. Miss Barnett was an 18-year-old orphan girl, who was adopted by her uncle Mr. David Adams, whose wife also met death in the disaster. Miss Barnett was the only daughter of Col. Thomas Barnett, deceased, who left his daughter property valued at \$50,000. (Col. Thomas Barnett's family owned property is in the western tip of Crittenden County, just outside of Tolu and close to the Livingston line). She and Mrs. Adams were en route to Paducah to prepare her clothing and books for a term at the

Hopkinsville College. Mrs. David Adams was a daughter of the late J.L. Hibbs, and a sister of Mrs. James Fleming of this place.

From the time of rescuing Miss Barnett's body it was exactly an hour and 32 minutes before the body of Mrs. David Adams was brought to the surface and laid beside that of her niece. She was dressed in conventional black, while her kid gloves were still covering her hands.

It is said that Mrs. Adams told her husband before leaving home that she had a presentiment that something terrible would happen during the trip. The remains of Mrs. Adams and her niece were taken to Birdsville for burial.

The body of Mr. Watts Davis of Lola was found in a standing position, with one arm holding to a hog chain. When the boat was going over Mr. Davis no doubt expected the boat to right itself and clung to the chain, but the boat sunk instead. A watch taken from the deceased had stopped at 6:17.

The body of Wallace Bennett, the prominent young farmer of Tolu, was recovered Thursday. His father,

A.J. Bennett of Tolu, was at the wreck when the body was recovered near where the steamer went down. It showed evidence that young Mr. Bennett had been trapped under the steamer.

Mr. Bennett, 25 years old, was on his way to Paducah to buy household goods when he lost his life. A young wife, Azelie, and 16-month-old baby daughter mourn the sad and untimely death of husband and father. He was a prosperous young farmer, popular with all who knew him.

His body was returned to his home and burial was in the Bennett family plot at the new cemetery in Marion.

Lived to tell the story

Another Crittenden Countian was also on the ill-fated *City of Golconda* but he lived to tell the story. He was Mr. Eugene Guess of Tolu, and the grandfather of our own Gordon Guess.

Mr. Eugene Guess related his experience to The Press as follows:

Most of the passengers were sitting out on the guards and when it began to rain, we went in.

I walked inside, and was standing at the side door,



Wallace Bennett, a successful young farmer from the Tolu area, drowned in the *Golconda* boat disaster.

Wallace Bennett was behind me, I said to him, I believed the captain was trying to outrun the storm. Yes, he said, but it looks like it will catch us. He then turned and walked away, and that was the last I ever saw of him.

In the meantime the engine stopped and the boat began to turn over. I rushed for the front door and was climbing and swimming to keep on the upper side. Before I could reach the upper side, a man ran over me and knocked me to the lower side again, and I had all my work to do over again, but I worked, swimming and climbing furiously, my way to that part of the boat that was on top.

When I got there I found myself with others on the bottom of the boat, as the craft had turned completely over. We found a yawl hanging to the stage, baled the water out, and about 30 people went to shore in that yawl, making three or four trips.

It was a most horrifying experience and I am thankful to be alive.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

From The Crittenden Press Archives

News from 1958:

•Pinckneyville News - Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Corb Binkley were Mr. and Mrs. Junior Dickerson of Lake City, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moffet of Evansville, and Mrs. Henry Bennett and Albin. Mr. and Mrs. Reed Carr and family of Paducah visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennett. Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Alley visited Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Kitchens. Mrs. Claude Kitchens fell Tuesday and broke her arm.

•S/Sgt. John R. Pickens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Pickens of Marion, was ordained a deacon Sept. 28 in the Sugar Grove Baptist Church at Panama City, Fla. S/Sgt. Pickens, his wife Elizabeth, and son John Richard Jr., live on the Tyndall AFB at Panama City.

•Attending the 45th annual meeting of the First District of the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs held Friday in Paducah were seven members of the Marion Club. They were Mmes. Oliver Whitt, president; T.H. Cochran, Weams Croft, G.N. Rankin, James Henry, Billy Joe Williams and LaMont West.

•Pfc. Bobbie Don Crowell, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crowell, and Pfc. Gerald

Roland Easley, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ercile Easley, had completed 16 weeks of Marine recruit training at Paris Island, S.C. and Camp Lejeune, N.C. and were on a 15-day leave with their parents.

News from 1983:

•Lawrence Terry was pictured splitting firewood at the side of his house on Weldon Road. Terry said the cool weather reminded him it was "that time of year."

•Local Hospital directors were pictured being shown a scale model of the proposed expansion for the medical facility at their monthly meeting. Hospital Administrator Jerry Morris was pictured pointing out details to board chairman W.E. Hunt and Kenneth Beavers. The hospital was negotiating a loan through Citizens Bank at Paducah to refinance construction of a six-bed critical-care unit.

•William Todd of Marion, a retired vocational agriculture teacher at CCHS, had been elected to serve as vice-president of the First District of Retired Teachers Association.

•Twenty Commodore 64 model computers had been installed in the Crittenden County High School; 19 in the computer lab and one in the office. Instructor Hugh Highfil said the class members should be well versed in the use of the system by the end of the semester. Pictured was

Joy Kostoff of Prescription Learning, the Springfield, Ill.-based software firm which supplied the software package to the schools, giving Neal Rogers a few pointers on the use of his computer.

•Candidates for Crittenden County High School homecoming queen had been announced. They were Shari Smiley, Robyn Davidson and Vanessa Gray. Attendants were Michelle Payne, Chris Martin and Janie Rector.

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LIVESTOCK REPORTS

MARION & LIVINGSTON REPORTS WEEKLY BY KDOA-USDA MARKET NEWS

MARION LIVESTOCK SALE
Monday, October 20, 2008. KDOA-USDA Market News. West Kentucky Livestock Market, Marion Auction (cattle weighed at time of sale). Receipts: 528.
Compared to last week: Feeder steers 4.00-6.00 higher. Feeder heifers steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows and slaughter bulls steady to 2.00 higher.
Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 200-300 lbs 118.00; 300-400 lbs 107.00-121.00; 400-500 lbs 100.00-115.00; 500-600 lbs 84.00-94.00; 600-700 lbs 84.00-89.00; 800-900 lbs 82.00.
Groups of 20 head or more: 26 head 617 lbs 89.00 bwtf. Medium and Large 2: 300-400 lbs 102.00; 400-500 lbs 83.00-93.00; 600-700 lbs 76.00.
Holsteins: No test.
Feeder Bulls: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs 92.00-100.00; 500-600 lbs 79.00-83.50; 600-700 lbs 70.00-75.00; 700-800 lbs 68.00-72.50; 800-900 lbs 62.00.
Medium and Large 2: 300-400 lbs 86.00; 400-500 lbs 74.00-84.00; 500-600 lbs 62.00-71.00; 600-700 lbs 68.00-70.00; 700-800 lbs 65.50.
Small 2: 400-500 lbs 65.00-73.00; 500-600 lbs 54.00; 600-700 lbs 70.00.
Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 200-300 lbs 104.00; 300-400 lbs 92.00-101.00; 400-500 lbs 81.00-87.00; 500-600 lbs 79.00-85.00; 600-700 lbs 77.00-82.00; 700-800 lbs 71.00.
Groups of 20 head or more: 30 head 517 lbs 85.00 bwtf; 26 head 596 lbs 85.00 blk.
Medium and Large 2: 300-400 lbs 80.00-90.00; 400-500 lbs 70.00-79.00; 500-600 lbs 71.00-76.00; 600-700 lbs 65.00-71.00.
Small 1: 500-600 lbs 60.00-64.00.
Slaughter Cows:

Breaker	75-80	Percent Lean	Weight	Average Dress	High Dress	Low Dress
Breaker	75-80	1050-1885	46.00-53.50	56.00		
Boners	80-85	930-1200	40.00-47.50			
Lean	85-90	780-1090	34.50-40.50			

Slaughter Bulls:

Yield Grade	Weight	Carcass Boning Percent	Average Dress	High Dress
Dress	High Dress			
1	1320-1970	77-78	62.00-67.50	
2	1000-1670	75-76	62.50-68.00	

Stock Cows: Medium and Large 1-2: Cows 5-9 years old and 2-7 months bred 500.00-

900.00 per head.
Stock Cows and Calves: Medium and Large 1-2: Cows 5-11 years old with 75-300 lbs calves at side 720.00-1060.00 per pair.
Stock Bulls: No test.
Calves: Baby Beef 90.00-160.00 per head.

LIVINGSTON SALE
NOTE: THESE ARE LAST WEEK'S MARKET FIGURES. THE MARKET TUESDAY REPORT IS NOT BEING RELEASED UNTIL AFTER THE PRESS' 9 A.M. WEDNESDAY DEADLINE.

Tuesday, October 14, 2008. KDOA-USDA Market News. Livingston County Livestock, Ledbetter Auction (cattle weighed at time of sale). Receipts: 594

Compared to last week: Slaughter cows and slaughter bulls mostly steady. Feeder steers and feeder heifers under 600 lbs 3.00-5.00 higher, over 600 lbs mostly steady.
Slaughter Cows:

Percent Lean	Weight	Average Dress	High Dress	Low Dress
Breaker	75-80	1030-1755	45.00-53.00	41.00-44.00
Boners	80-85	830-1415	40.00-46.50	
Lean	85-90	750-1150	33.00-42.50	

Slaughter Bulls:

Yield Grade	Weight	Carcass Boning Percent	Average Dress	High Dress
1	1535-1705	77-78	60.00-64.50	
2	1265-2035	74-76	54.00-58.00	

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	400-500	420	85.00	85.00
3	500-600	540	81.00	81.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	100-200	165	117.00-135.00	124.35
1	200-300	225	124.00	124.00
14	300-400	358	104.00-114.00	109.39
24	400-500	462	95.00-105.00	100.51
18	500-600	551	89.00-96.00	92.81
2	600-700	630	88.00	88.00
12	700-800	729	81.00-88.00	87.13
1	900-1000	920	80.00	80.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	200-300	270	83.00-100.00	88.76
2	300-400	350	92.00-103.00	97.34
2	400-500	470	92.00-95.00	93.55

6	500-600	565	81.00-86.00	84.22
4	600-700	631	71.00-84.00	80.68
Feeder Holstein Steers Large 3				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	100-200	165	51.00	51.00
5	300-400	335	50.00-58.00	53.82
2	400-500	428	48.00-50.00	48.97

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	300-400	370	70.00	70.00
3	400-500	463	79.00	79.00
4	500-600	543	75.00	75.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	100-200	170	110.00-128.00	122.28
3	200-300	265	94.00-105.00	99.96
11	300-400	352	92.00-106.00	97.31
44	400-500	449	85.00-92.00	88.34
26	500-600	538	80.00-90.00	82.72
14	600-700	624	75.00-81.00	77.59
1	700-800	725	75.00	75.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	200-300	281	80.00-90.00	86.55
14	300-400	344	80.00-88.00	83.98
16	400-500	454	74.00-84.00	80.77
36	500-600	543	72.00-80.50	78.05
3	600-700	647	74.00	74.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
12	300-400	365	100.00-110.00	103.19
12	400-500	443	94.00-101.00	96.71
44	500-600	542	80.00-89.00	84.32
17	600-700	615	80.00-84.00	82.58
4	700-800	719	74.00-77.00	75.48
4	800-900	816	65.00-75.00	70.91
1	900-1000	940	62.00	62.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
8	300-400	376	80.00-95.00	88.61
10	400-500	446	80.00-92.00	88.08
7	500-600	553	75.00-80.00	78.80
9	600-700	679	71.00-78.00	75.53
1	700-800	745	69.00	69.00

Feeder Bulls Small and Medium 1				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	300-400	360	70.00	70.00
4	400-500	471	70.00-79.00	74.42
1	500-600	500	73.00	73.00

Stock Cows: Medium and Large 1-2: Cows 2-9 years old and 5-8 months bred 530.00-880.00 per head.

Stock Cows and Calves: Medium and Large 1-2: Cows 2-5 years old with 100-200 lbs calves at side 730.00-

1000.00 per pair.
Stock Bulls: No test.
Calves: Baby Beef 50.00-130.00 per head.

Livingston Feeder Calf Sale

*Results of the Feeder Calf Sale held Friday October 17.

Receipts: 673

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	400-500	461	95.00-99.00	97.32
32	500-600	540	100.00-105.00	102.26
58	600-700	644	94.00-100.50	95.97
41	700-800	755	91.00-95.00	92.73
22	800-900	814	85.00-90.00	88.20
11	900-1000	912	84.00	84.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	300-400	390	60.00	60.00
1	400-500	485	85.00	85.00
15	500-600	560	92.50-94.00	93.79
22	600-700	639	81.00-93.00	90.28
1	700-800	770	78.00	78.00

Feeder Steers Small and Medium 1				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	400-500	430	90.00	90.00
1	500-600	585	80.00	80.00
6	600-700	629	80.00	80.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	400-500	450	81.00	81.00
22	500-600	554	89.00-92.50	91.61
83	600-700	638	85.50-93.50	88.24
233	700-800	731	85.00-92.25	91.51
61	800-900	817	80.00-88.00	86.51

Groups of 20 head or more:

29 head 650 lbs 88.00 mixed

204 head 733 lbs 92.25 mixed

50 head 811 lbs 88.00 bwtf

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	300-400	395	85.00	85.00
1	400-500	430	86.00	86.00
19	500-600	574	80.50-87.00	84.05
14	600-700	660	78.00-83.00	80.25
15	700-800	754	70.00-84.00	81.08
3	800-900	816	79.00	79.00

Feeder Heifers Small and Medium 1				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	500-600	540	60.00	60.00
4	600-700	663	69.00	69.00

Crittenden bus drivers

are honored this week

Bus drivers and monitors are being recognized this week for their dedication to the Crittenden County School District in honor of National School Bus Safety Week.

Crittenden County has 19 school bus drivers and about a dozen monitors who are required on buses carrying preschoolers.

Every school day, Crittenden buses travel 1,404 miles throughout the county.

"They have an excellent safety record," said Sharon Murray, assistant director of transportation.

Though she has worked in the transportation office for 20 years, don't be surprised to see Murray behind the wheel of a big yellow bus.

"I still drive when I'm short a driver or a monitor," says

Murray, a self-described 'Jill' of all trades and longest-serving classified employee in the school district.

Every year, more than 180,000 school buses transport 26 million students to and from school nationwide. This week, the American School Bus Council celebrates its 42nd annual National School Bus Safety Week.

This year's theme is "Stop on Red, Kids Ahead." It's designed to get drivers to remember the importance of stopping when a bus is flashing red lights.

According to the American School Bus Council, you'd need 36 cars to transport the children who ride one school bus. Take that number nationwide, and you'd need more than 17,333,333 cars.



SOFTBALL

CCHS meeting is Oct. 23

Crittenden County High School girls interested in playing fast-pitch softball next spring should at-tended a meeting at 5:30 p.m., Thursday (today) at the high school library. Parents are urged to attend. Some topics covered will be agenda, hitting, open gym, workouts and schedule.

OUTDOORS

Hunting season dates

Here are hunting season dates for this fall and winter.

Squirrel	Aug. 16 - Nov. 7
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 24
Deer archery	Sept. 6 - Jan. 19
Turkey archery	Sept. 6 - Jan. 19
Turkey crossbow	Oct. 1-19
Deer crossbow	Oct. 1-19
Deer muzzleloader	Oct. 18-19
Turkey shotgun	Oct. 25-31
Deer rifle	Nov. 8-23
Turkey crossbow	Nov. 8-Dec. 31
Deer crossbow	Nov. 8 - Dec. 31
Squirrel	Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Rabbit, quail	Nov. 10 - Feb. 10
Raccoon Trapping	Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Opossum	Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Bobcat	Nov. 15 - Jan. 31
Dove	Nov. 27 - Dec. 5
Duck	Nov. 27 - Jan. 25
Turkey shotgun	Dec. 6-12
Deer muzzleloader	Dec. 13-21
Free Youth Hunt	Dec. 27-28
Dove	Dec. 27 - Jan. 2
Youth waterfowl	Feb. 7-8
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Coyote	Year Round

Muzzleloaders slow go

Early deer harvest figures con-tinue at a slow pace. Last week-end's muzzleloader hunt produced just 134 deer in Crittenden County and 77 in Livingston County. That well off the normal pace for both counties. Crittenden generally pro-duces 150 or more deer in the two-day blackpowder hunt while Livingston is usually around 100 or more for its whitetail harvest.

Turkey shotgunners

The first segment of the fall shot-gun turkey season opens Satur-day across the state. Hunters will have seven days to get their bird of either sex.

Webster hosts DU event

Webster County Ducks Unlimited will host its annual banquet, auc-tion and raffle Saturday at the Carhartt building located on high-way 41-A just north of Providence. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with din-ner served at 7. The auction will follow. For more info or to make your early bird reservations, call 667-9535 or 667-2984.

RUNNING

Yehling qualifies

Crittenden County resident Bob Yehling qualified for his fourth Boston Marathon Saturday, clock-ing a lifetime-best 3:19.31 in the Indianapolis Marathon.

Yehling, 49, the assistant track coach at Crittenden County High, fought off a case of the flu to knock more than two minutes off his previous best, established in 2006. He finished 13th in the 45-49 age group, and 116th overall out of 1,135 finishers.

In April, Yehling will return to the Boston Marathon, where he ran in 2005 and 2007. He also qualified for the 2008 Boston, but did not compete.

Another county resident, CCES third-grader Destiny Nolan of the Mexico community, ran a lifetime-best 7:58 in the Kids' Mile at Indi-anapolis. She finished 20th out of more than 100 competitors in her age group.

BASKETBALL

Youth league practices

Youth basketball practices will be held Saturday on the high school and middle school campus. Little Dribblers boys and girls will work out starting at 8 a.m., at Rocket Arena. Practice for third- and fourth-grade girls will start at 9 a.m., in the middle school gym while the fifth- and sixth-grade girls will work out at Rocket Arena. The third- and fourth-grade boys will go at 10:30 a.m., in the middle school gym while the fifth- and sixth-grade boys will practice in Rocket Arena. Saturday will be the last day to sign up to play.

REPORT YOUTH SPORTS

We want your youth league photographs and game results. Email thepress@the-press.com

Pass protector

Crittenden's Brian Berry (3) piles on top of Union's Brian Bickett after a re-ception for a short gain during Friday's Rocket victory. It was Crittenden's fourth win in the last seven games against the Braves.



Rockets topple Union

Robertson rushes for 160, Union gets just 58 on ground

The mark of a good football team is one that can find ways to win when it's not at its best.

Crittenden County was not per-fectly crisp, but was rugged enough to beat a physical Class 3A Union County team 25-16 Friday at Rocket Stadium.

Penalties, a couple of fumbles and a sporadic offense muffled the Rockets (6-2) at times, but their de-fense knocked Union (3-4) off bal-ance and kept the door open. Defense has become a staple in Crittenden's six wins and Union's generally potent running game was idled by the Rocket clutches. Devin Foster, the Braves' highly touted sophomore running back, was held to 60 yards on 22 carries as Union managed to net just 58 on the ground.

"Our offense wasn't at its best," Rocket coach Al Starnes. "We didn't do a very good job of pass blocking.

Although Starnes admits that his offense was not hitting on all cylin-ders, he said the defense was click-ing.

"Defensive coordinator Vince Clark has done a tremendous job getting our defense ready to play and the kids are executing," he said. "They say defense wins cham-pionships and we're playing pretty well defensively. We're going to see how far that will carry us."

While Union's running attack was bottled up, its passing game was pouring from the spigot. QB Jordon Robison stretched the Rocket sec-ondary for 236 yards on 17-of-31 passing, including two touchdowns, but it wasn't enough.

Although it sputtered at times, the Rocket offense found its balance

enough to post touchdowns on its first possession of each half. Rod-ney Robertson rushed for all three Crittenden TDs and J.R. Adams kicked a 30-yard field goal in the third period.

Robertson ran for 160 yards, bol-stered by a late 50-yard touchdown run to drop the hatchet on the vis-iting Braves. Robertson's second touchdown of the game to start the third period was set up by a 46-yard pass reception by tight end Gaige Courtney.

Despite a broken hand that kept him sidelined for half of the season, Robertson has amassed 621 yards in four and a half games.

Courtney played a big role on de-fense, too. It was his pressure on Robison midway through the fourth period that forced an errant throw as Union gave up the ball on downs in Rocket territory. It was a critical defensive stand for the Rockets after they had just taken an 18-8 lead on Adams' second field goal of the season, making it a two-posses-sion ballgame with five minutes to play.

Gray stayed on his feet on the next series to move the chains on a crucial fourth-down run that helped milk the clock. Still, Union got the ball back and scored with 2:13 to play, but Robertson took all the fun out the final two minutes for Union when he carried the first handoff of the next series from midfield to the end zone, outrunning the entire Braves' secondary.

The non-district victory gives Crit-tenden a 4-3 edge in the most re-cent years of the series against Union County. The Braves and Rockets have played some exciting games over the past eight seasons, but they will not meet in 2009 or 2010 due to a scheduling conflict. Rocket coach Al Starnes has said he would like to renew the border bat-tle in 2011. Union is the Class 3A First District champion this season. The Rockets, winners of the Class A First District crown, have now de-feated two teams in that 3A district,

including Webster County.

Crittenden will have a long road trip for next week's district finale at Fulton County. The Pilots are win-less in district play and the out-come of the game will have no bearing on the Rockets' winning the title. A Crittenden loss at Fulton County would, however, give May-field a share of the championship, but the Rockets would win the post-season's No. 1 seed based on head-to-head competition.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Union County	8	0	0	8
Crittenden Co.	8	0	10	7

SCORING PLAYS

UC-Brian Bickett 63 pass from Jordan Robison (Devin Foster pass from Robison) 11:48, 1st
CC-Rodney Robertson 31 run (Gaige Courtney pass from J.D. Gray) 11:22, 1st
CC-Robertson 3 run (J.R. Adams kick) 9:00, 3rd
CC-Adams 30 field goal, 5:06, 3rd
UC-Tyler Cullen 29 pass from Robison (Bickett pass from Robison) 2:13, 4th
CC-Robertson 50 run (Adams kick) 2:02, 4th

TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: Crittenden 10, Union 11
Penalties: Crittenden 6-50, union 1-15
Rushing: Crittenden 37-225, Union 29-58
Passing: Crittenden 5-10-0, 102 yds., Union 11-31-1, 236 yds.
Total Yards: Crittenden 327, Union 294
Fumbles/Lost: Crittenden 2-2, Union 4-3

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing
Crittenden: Robertson 16-160, Gray 15-38, Court-ney 5-26, Brian Berry 1-1. Union: Foster 22-60, Robison 4-(-14), Darrian Smith 1-3, Cullen 1-5, Nathan Hedgepath 1-4.

Passing
Crittenden: Gray 5-10-0, 102 yds. Union: Robison 11-31-1, 236 yds.

Receiving
Crittenden: Courtney 3-76, B.Berry 1-22, Josh Ur-banowski 1-4. Union: Bickett 6-105, Foster 5-61, Cullen 2-31, Michael Bennett 2-21.

Defense
A.Berry 7 solos, 5 assists, sack; B.Berry 3 solos, 9 assists, TFL; Clark 5 solos, 3 assists, TFL; Courtney 8 solos, 6 assists, TFL, fumble recov-ery; Fletcher 0 solo, assist, caused fumble; Gree-man 2 solos, 4 assists, caused fumble; Gray 2 solos, 3 assists, interception, caused fumble; Kirk

This week's game



ROCKETS VS PILOTS

Kickoff
7:30 p.m.
FRIDAY
at Hickman

CRITTENDEN CO. (6-2, 3-0)

Offense: Multiple
Defense: 50

Rankings: Rockets 9th in Bluegrass Preps poll. Rockets 9th in Associated Press poll.

FULTON COUNTY (1-6, 0-3)

Offense: Multiple
Defense: Multiple

Results this season:

Lost 63-0 at Hopkins County Central
Beat Chaffee, Mo., to 34-28 (3OT)
Lost 37-13 to Fulton City
Lost 52-7 at Ballard Memorial
Lost 54-18 to South Fulton, Tenn.
Lost 56-0 at Mayfield
Lost 56-14 at Murray

The series: Crittenden County is 18-9 all-time against Fulton County. The Rockets have won 9 straight over the Pilots, their current longest winning streak against an opponent. Crittenden and Fulton County have met 5 times in the playoffs since 1985 and have won 4 of those games. The Rockets last lost to Fulton County in 1995.

Game Notes: Fulton County is 9-34 in home games since 2000. Rocket RB Rod-ney Robertson last week became the 5th player in school history to rush for more than 2,000 yards. QB J.D. Gray is now among the top 7 all-time in passing yards, passing TDs and completions. K J.R. Adams is 6th all-time in PATs made. Gaige Courtney needs just 3 tackles to become the all-time leader in school history.

Scouting Report: The Pilots have strug-gled this year, but still have a lethal mixture of size and speed. They're a team with enough life to strike a blow against an un-guarded opponent.

FIRST DISTRICT CLASS A

Team	Overall	District
Crittenden	6-2	3-0
Mayfield	3-4	2-1
Ballard Memorial	2-5	2-2
Fulton City	2-4	1-2
Fulton County	1-6	0-3

SECOND DISTRICT CLASS A

Team	Overall	District
Lou. Holy Cross	5-2	3-0
Caverna	4-3	3-1
KY Country Day	2-5	1-2
Bethlehem	1-6	1-2
Beth Haven	1-6	0-3

Last week's First Region scores

Lou. Holy Cross, idle
Berea 27, KY Country Day 20
Caverna 47, Beth Haven 26
Washington Co. 40, Bethlehem 20
Fulton City, idle
Ballard Memorial, idle
Murray 56, Fulton County 14
Calloway County 34, Mayfield 14
This week's First Region games
Lou. Holy Cross at KY Country Day
Caverna at Evangel Christian
Beth Haven vs. Bethlehem
Mayfield at Fulton City
Crittenden County at Fulton County
Heath at Ballard Memorial

solo; McConnell 2 solos, 2 assists; Nix 2 assists; Pluskota 5 solos, 4 assists, TFL, sack; Thornton 3 solos, 6 assists; Urbanowski 2 solos, assist; Werne 2 solos, 2 assists, 2 sacks, fumble recov-ery, blocked kick.

Players of the Game Offense Rodney Robertson. Defense Gaige Courtney. Lineman Aaron Berry. **Records:** Crittenden 6-2, Union 3-4.

Rocket girls edged from playoff action

BY CHRIS HARDESTY
PRESS SPORTS WRITER

Despite a valiant effort, the Lady Rockets (19-7) saw their season come to an end Monday night in Princeton as Henderson County (20-18) eliminated the Crittenden County girls from the Second Region Tour-nament, 21-25, 22-25.

Crittenden got perhaps the tough-est draw of in the tournament. Hen-derson was the only district champion that did not receive a first-round bye.

After the Lady Colonels jumped out to a 7-2 lead in the opening set, Crittenden ran off five of the next six points to trim the lead to 8-7.

Though the deficit was no larger than five the remainder of the set, the Lady Rockets could not get over the hump and steal the all-important first match against the defending re-gional runnerup.

However, the Lady Rockets were not discouraged and continued to battle. They took a 7-6 lead in the second set, but the Lady Colonels promptly answered, going on a 9-4 run to take 15-11 lead.

The game of runs and spurts con-tinued as the upset-minded Lady Rockets went on an 11-7 binge, knotting the contest at 22-all.

Unfortunately, a couple of bad serves followed and Henderson sur-vived the upset bid.

"The girls played really well. It was a nip-and-tuck game," Lady Rocket coach Larry Duvall said after the set-back.

Senior Meredith Lanham, playing in the final game, was a perfect 7-for-7 on serves. Erica Leet was also per-fect, going 5-for-5.

Olivia Adams pitched in with an 11-for-12 showing and Taylor Keis-ter finished 8-for-10 at the service line.

District runnerup

The dreaded Caldwell jinx contin-ued last Thursday at Smithland as the Lady Rockets dropped the Sev-enth District title game in three sets, 25-21, 14-25, 17-25.

After a promising first set, it seemed like the hungry Lady Rock-ets might be en route to the pro-gram's second district crown in three years.

"I thought we had swung the pen-dulum," Duvall said, describing the encouraging opening match.

However, the Lady Tiger duo of Emily Meeks and Casey Stone col-lected 15 kills apiece in the contest to help spur the comeback.

The Lady Tigers captured 11 con-secutive points in the second set to make sure that a third set would be necessary on their way to the cham-pionship.

While Crittenden played some-what better in the deciding set, it was not enough to overcome the Lady Tigers. Four of Crittenden's losses this season came at the expense of Caldwell County.

"Its just been fun to work with the girls all year long," said the Lady Rocket skipper.



Photo by Shelia Truitt

Crittenden's Erika Leet strikes the ball across the net after a set by Tiffany Hearrell (12) during Monday's regional matchup against Henderson.

Former Rockets shine at college

Thompson enjoys best season at CU; Guess claims 3 picks

BY CHRIS HARDESTY
PRESS SPORTS WRITER

Former Rocket football players Sean Thompson and T.K. Guess are racking up some impressive statistics this fall at NAIA Campbellsville University.

Under the direction of first-year coach Perry Thomas, the former high school coach at Paducah Tilghman, the Tigers switched to a spread offense that has allowed Thompson to haul in 30 catches for 369 yards and two touchdowns at wide receiver.

After a miserable 13-game losing streak dating back to the 2006 season, Thompson helped his team break the streak with a 21-yard touchdown catch during the first quarter Sept. 27 against the West Virginia Institute of Technology. The Tigers went on to win an offensive shootout 57-47.

"It was a really nice circus catch that bounced off of someone's helmet. I definitely haven't scored as much as I did in high school," Thompson said with a chuckle.

Thompson, who passed for 1,741 yards during his high school career at Crittenden County, praised Thomas' coaching style and believes he will get the struggling program turned around.

"It is easy to believe what he is preaching," he said.

The Tigers (2-5) cracked the win column again last Saturday with a 35-33 triumph over Bellhaven College. Once again, the senior found his way to the end zone, scoring on a 62-yard touchdown pass to put the Tigers up 21-14 in the third quarter.

Thompson, who caught three passes in the win, pointed to another catch that was just as important as his score. Trailing 14-0 late in the first half, he hauled in a key third-down reception that kept the drive alive. It helped lead to a score with 30 ticks left and Thompson believes that was a key to the comeback.

"The momentum from that score carried over into the second half," he said

With six games left, the Tiger senior would love to start a streak and record the first winning season of his college career.

He also has lofty aspirations of staying in the hunt for a playoff bid in the Mid-South Conference and getting to post-season play.

"We're still in it if things go right," said Thompson.

After transferring to Campbellsville from Western Kentucky University, Guess got a phone call from Thomas, who offered him a spot on the team shortly after he was hired as the new coach.

"I've been waiting for the opportunity to play," said the



GUESS



THOMPSON

former Rocket.

Guess cited the speed of the game, having to learn a lot more plays and not being able to rely solely on one's athletic ability as the biggest differences between college and high school football.

Following up an impressive work ethic during pre-season practice, Guess earned a spot as a starting cornerback.

It did not take long to make an impact either as Guess recorded seven tackles in his first collegiate game, a 48-38 loss to Cumberland.

Guess, who is the career interception leader at Crittenden County High School with 21, began to show that ability at the next level, too. He got off to a good start in the defensive backfield against Ohio Dominican. Although the 51-10 setback was not what he would have liked, the freshman came up with the first of his three college interceptions.

After the second game, he was switched to a safety slot and has not missed a beat. For the year, Guess has amassed 36 tackles, eight tackles for loss, six pass breakups and a sack.

The freshman is currently number nine in the nation at the NAIA level for passes defended per game and number 22 in interceptions per game.

With the Tiger defensive unit employing a nickel package nearly all the time, Guess gets plenty of chances to showcase his ability.

"I get my chances to come up and make all the plays," he said.

After a 60-yard interception return for a touchdown against Lambuth, the play was nullified due to a clipping penalty that took place 20 yards downfield

"I went and had a talk with my teammate on that one," Guess said, with a chuckle.

Despite the Tigers not enjoying much success in the win-loss column the last few years, he has no doubt that will change under the direction of Thomas.

"We should be conference contenders for years to come," he said.

After Bellhaven scored in the late going last weekend to draw within 35-33, Guess broke up the two-point attempt to preserve the win.

Guess, Thompson and the rest of the Campbellsville team play at Georgetown Saturday.



Pictured are members of the 1963 Rocket football team who attended the induction ceremony of the team into the Marion-Crittenden County Football Hall of Fame on Sept. 19. The players attending the ceremony were (from left) Jay Riley, Jamie Champion, Donnie Phillips, Jimmy Hopper, Larry Orr, David Haire, Butch Fletcher, Barry Gilbert, Ronnie Mott and Red Benton.



Pictured are members of the 1945 Marion High School football team who attended the induction ceremony of the team into the Marion-Crittenden County Football Hall of Fame on Sept. 19. The players attending the ceremony were (from left) Charles Gass, David Stalion, Bob Swisher, Bill Johnson, J.D. Vaughan and Robert Jenkins.

FALL SPORTS ROUNDUPS

SOCCER

U-10 girls go undefeated

Crittenden County's U-10 girls finished their 11-game season undefeated with a pair of victories Saturday at Trigg County.

Crittenden beat Trigg's red and white team 8-2 and then defeated the red and black team 3-1 in one of the girls' toughest encounters of the season.

In the opener, Alexis Tabor and Kali Travis scored two goals each while Cassidy Moss, Caelyn Clark, Francesca Pierce and Bailey Howard added one apiece. Goalie Meredith Evans had seven saves.

In the second game, Crittenden got a pair of goals from Travis, the team's top scorer on the season, and one from Clark. Evans had four saves in the two-goal victory.

Middle school soccer boys split games

The Crittenden County Soccer Association's middle school team split two games in play last week. Crittenden dropped a hard fought contest 1-0 to Dixon Friday. The teams went back and forth with some offensive opportunities in the first half, but good defensive play kept the score knotted at zero at halftime. The scoring drought ended late in the second half when Dixon punched in the game-winner.

Daniel Patton had several saves and also stopped a penalty shot for Crittenden. Despite the loss, the Rocket coaching staff reported that the team played as well as it had all year.

On Saturday, Crittenden regrouped and won 4-2 over the Union County YMCA team. Micah Hollamon scored three goals with assists from Hayden McConnell and Hunter Stone. Dustin Roberts also

scored a goal on an assist by Hollamon. Much of the offense was set up by McConnell at center midfielder and Daniel Waggoner at stopper. The team improved to 3-4-1 with two games left in the season.

U-6 soccer results

The U-6 Yellow Jackets won 10-3 over the Green Giants Monday night. The Yellow Jackets' leading scorers were Allie Geary and Tucker Sharp. Green's leading scorer was Trace Derrington. In the second game of the night, the Red Racing Flames won 9-4 over the Yellow Jackets. Red's leading scorer was Callie Champion.

RODEO

Results from Jr. event

Here are results from a junior rodeo at Marion Saturday and Sunday.

DIVISION 1A
Barrel Racing Kelci Myatt, 6th
Dummy Roping Kelci Myatt, 1st, Briley Brown, 3rd
Boys Goat Tying Briley Brown, 2nd
Barrel Racing Kelci Myatt, 5th
Dummy Roping Kelci Myatt, 1st; Briley Brown, 3rd
Boys Goat Tying Briley Brown, 2nd
DIVISION 2
Girl's Goat Tying Bailey Brown, 3rd; Stacie Hearrell, 4th.

Boys Goat Tying Lane Shelley, 2nd; Kyle Myatt, 3rd
Steer Wrestling Lane Shelley, 4th
Barrel Racing Stacie Hearrell, 7th
Pole Bending Bailey Brown, 5th; Stacie Hearrell, 10th
Girls Goat Tying Stacie Hearrell, 3rd; Bailey Brown 5th
Boys Goat Tying Lane Shelley, 1st; Kyle Myatt, 3rd
Boys Breakaway Roping Kyle Myatt, 1st
Ribbon Roping Kyle Myatt, 1st with

partner Paige Stallons; Lane Shelley, 2nd with partner Kayce Stewart
Team Roping Lane Shelley, 2nd with partner Kayce Stewart; Kyle Myatt, 3rd with partner Alexandria Hancock

Winners of the Jake Hodge Memorial Plaques sponsored by Superior Trophies were All Around Cowgirl-Hannah O'Bryan from Almo, KY and All Around Cowboy-Wesley Carter from Hopkinsville, KY

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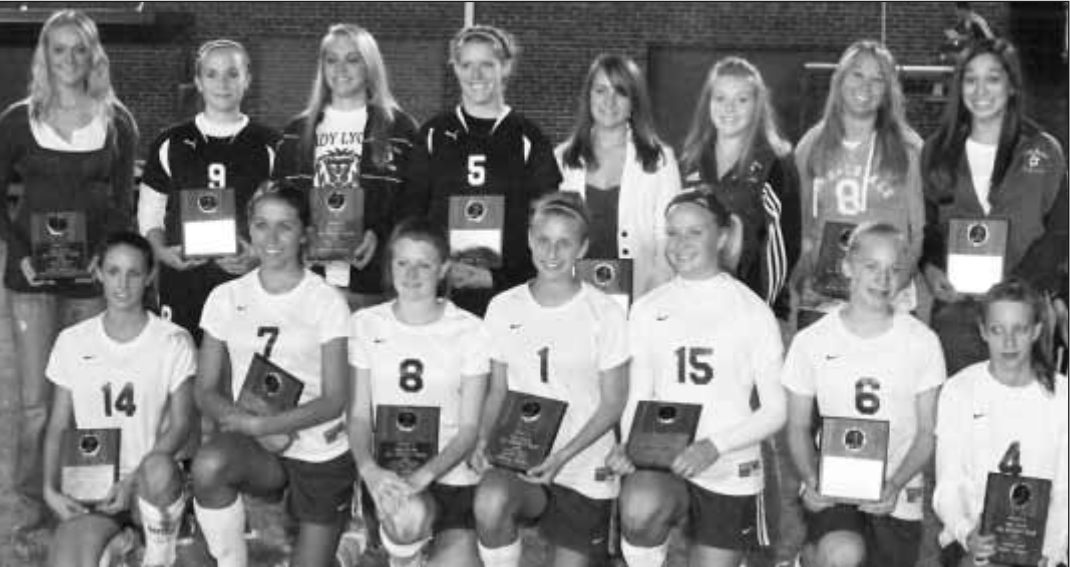
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SECTION 8 HOUSING



Bucking Up

Danielle Byarley of Marion bagged this eight-point buck on Saturday morning of youth hunt weekend with a .223 rifle on the family farm.



Soccer All-District

Crittenden County placed three players on the All-District Soccer Team. The members of the all-star team were announced during last week's district tournament at Princeton. From Crittenden County were Mary Hollamon, Misty Wallace and Anna Jimenez. They are standing in the back row far right.

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Baby’s death investigated

STAFF REPORT
The Crittenden County Coroner's office and the Marion Police Department have opened an investigation regarding the death of a two-month-old infant in Marion Sunday morning.
Coroner Joe Myers said Olivia Leann Curnell was pronounced dead Sunday at a home at 423 W. Elm St. (See obituary on Page 7.) Based on interviews with the parents and other evidence, Myers ordered an autopsy which was performed in Madisonville at the Kentucky Medical Examiner's office by Dr. Deirdre Schluckebier.
The coroner and city policeman Jerry Parker attended the autopsy.
Parents of the child are Jennifer Mas-

samore and Richard Curnell of Hopkins County. The parents and their three children were living with friends in Marion.
According to the coroner's report, the parents said the girl was crying before she fell asleep Saturday night. An ambulance was called to the residence the next morning about 8:30 a.m. The coroner was called shortly afterwards and he pronounced the young girl deceased at 10:10 a.m., although his report indicates that she had actually died several hours earlier.
Police were summoned to the residence and later the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services was contacted.
Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal said there is no evidence to indicate that any-

thing criminal has taken place. The death investigation is normal procedure in such cases, he said, when an infant dies for no apparent reason.
According to Myers, the coroner, the autopsy found neither traumatic injuries nor diseases that might have led to the girl's death. However, the case remains open and under investigation by the coroner and police.
Myers said the father indicated that he had two other young children die in the past nine years, both in Hopkins County. A daughter was 16 days old when she died in 1999 of natural causes and a nearly two-month-old boy died in 2002 which death records indicate was accidental, the coroner said.

Marion precinct poll relocated to church

STAFF REPORT
Regular voters in Crittenden County will notice only one change in casting a ballot in next month's election
Voters in Precinct 2 who formerly voted at the Carson Davidson National Guard Armory on Rochester Street will have to travel across town to Greenwood Heights to cast a ballot. The new polling location for the Marion precinct will be Emmanuel Baptist Church. The same location was used during the May primary.
Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford said the change was one of logistics for election workers. At times, it was difficult for workers to get set up by 6 a.m., when polls open because rules did not allow for the key to the building to be turned over to the clerk's office. Election workers were dependent upon the key holder to open the building in time to set up the voting machines.
And those voting machines at 12 voting precincts in Crittenden County will be unchanged from elections past. The large push-button machines with voting screens behind curtains and the smaller e-Scan touch-screen ballots will once again be used.
"The voter can use the one they are most comfortable in using," Byford said.

But changes will be likely in the next scheduled election year, 2010.
"We will probably be using paper ballots with a scanner," Byford said.
More than a quarter of Kentucky's counties will be using a similar system next month.
This year's polling locations in the county are as follows:
■ Precinct 1: Courthouse basement with chairlift available;
■ Precinct 2: Emmanuel Baptist Church in Greenwood Heights;
■ Precinct 3: Marion Baptist Church on East Depot Street;
■ Precinct 4: Crittenden County Elementary School;
■ Precinct 5: Crittenden County Gun Club on Ky. 91 North;
■ Precinct 6: Sealing Solutions on South Main Street;
■ Precinct 7: Frances Masonic Lodge on Ky. 70;
■ Precinct 8: Frances Baptist Church on Ky. 70;
■ Precinct 9: Deer Creek Baptist Church on Ky. 297 in Sheridan;
■ Precinct 10: Tolu Community Center on Ky. 135;
■ Precinct 11: Mattoon Fire Department on Ky. 365; and
■ Precinct 12: Shady Grove Fire Department in Shady Grove.

Tuesday last day to seek absentee ballot

STAFF REPORT
If the early numbers are any indication, this year's presidential election is shaping up to be one of the biggest ever.
As of Sunday, almost 12,000 Kentuckians had already cast ballots in the presidential race, an additional 44,382 had requested mail-in absentee ballots and registration numbers have hit an all-time high in the state.
The race between Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama, coupled with a U.S. Senate contest be-

tween GOP incumbent Mitch McConnell and Democratic challenger Bruce Lunsford, has generated intense interest among voters.
Nearly 3 million Kentuckians are registered to vote in the general election. Of those, 1.7 million are signed up as Democrats and just more than 1 million as Republicans. Since 2004, the GOP has added 57,000 registrants. The state Democratic party added 47,000 over the same period.
In Crittenden County, 6,314 are registered to vote next

month with Democrats accounting for 3,310 compared to 2,694 for the GOP.
Tuesday will be the last day a mail-in absentee ballot for the Nov. 4 election can be requested at the county clerk's office.
"Unless it is a medical emergency," said Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford, "a voter or nearest liv-



Obama



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nuisance ordinances.
Jim Brown, another incumbent and former police officer for the City of Marion, listed code enforcement as the biggest weakness of the city. Brown, the eldest of the eight candidates at 78, said he remains "very dissatisfied" with efforts to back up nuisance ordinances.
Currently, the city does not employ a code enforcement officer. Former Marion Police Chief Kenneth Winn, who died earlier this month, was the last to hold that position. Winn had worked for only a short period last year in a part-time capacity as code enforcement officer before resigning to become county trial commissioner. George Foster, now a Kentucky State Trooper, was the last to fill the code enforcement position in a full-time manner.
Scott Tabor, one of the three challengers for a council seat and youngest on the ballot at 38, proposes the city once again staff someone to address codes and not leave enforcement regarding unkempt properties up to the police department.
"Nuisances such as noises and vehicles should be addressed by the police, but the city should have a code enforcement officer," he said.
Roads are another aspect that Bryant admits need attention. While none are impassable, many streets are beginning to show signs of neglect. Mayor Alexander agrees that streets will likely need addressing in the next two years.
None of that candidates ad-

ressed the condition of city streets in the questionnaire, though some pointed out a need for better corridors to and from the city, like the proposed four-lane U.S. 641 from Marion to Eddyville.
Incumbent Darrin Tabor, is one of those candidates. He said, "Our roads leading in and out of town for future manufacturing development" are the city's biggest weakness.
Former councilman Mike Byford, who seeks a return to the board after a two-year hiatus, listed addressing economic development and adding new jobs as his top priorities.
Only Bill Frazer, a challenger and father of City Attorney Bart Frazer, expressed any type of disaffection with the current six-member council.
"Somewhat dissatisfied," he responded to the question of satisfaction level. "Or I wouldn't be running. New blood, new ideas and more passion about issues is what will make Marion a better place to live."
All eight candidate said the

rural quality of life in Marion and its people are what make them most proud to live in Marion.
When asked about specific issues such as a proposal to allow golf carts on city streets or the prospect of a joint city-county government, most of the candidates were in agreement with one another.
However, only Byford and Frazer favor approving a new law that would allow golf carts on city streets with numerous restrictions. The current council took up that topic last summer, but delayed a decision until further information could be obtained.
Meantime, Byford is the sole candidate to express any favor for combining city and county governments for efficiency. The others either opposed or expressed no opinion on the matter.
Only Councilman Jason Hatfield is not seeking re-election to city government, and Alexander's term will not be up for election until 2010.

City appoints 3 to merger committee; county holds off

STAFF REPORT
The City of Marion appointed three members to an exploratory committee charged with looking into the merger of city and county government, but magistrates did not act on the matter at their regular fiscal court meeting.
Cletus Hunt, Andy Hunt and Jason Hatfield were chosen Monday by council members as the city's sentatives on the ad hoc committee. All live in or own homes inside the city; two have political experience. Cletus Hunt ran for judge-executive six years ago and Hatfield will end his term on city council in January.
Though only two names were initially brought forward by Mayor Mickey Alexander at Monday's meeting, the body agreed upon three names with the belief that Crittenden Fiscal Court would provide as

“In order ... to prevent duplication of services and to promote efficient and economical management... the citizens of any county ... may vote to merge all units of city and county government....
- KRS 67.825

bodies, but the matter of a merged city-county government has been somewhat controversial locally, prompting at least one opponent to speak out on the matter. Magistrate Glen Underdown, a resident of Marion, was at city council last month to vocally oppose exploration of a joint government when the matter was first brought before the two legislative bodies.
The research committee will have no decision-making power nor a budget to work with. The group is merely being formed by a joint agreement between the city and county to look at the advantages and disadvantages of a joint-government. Their findings, when complete, will then be presented to both bodies of government before any decision on moving ahead with the idea is made.

Food given away today in Marion

Free food will be available today (Thursday) at the Senior Citizens Center on North Walker Street from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Residents are asked to pick up food only for themselves.

City hands over land for health department

STAFF REPORT
A housekeeping measure Monday at Marion City Council helped clear a hurdle to getting a new county health department built.
Approval was given to transfer a piece of city-owned property needed to complete legal requirements before the new 9,000-square-foot health facility can be built. Surveying found that 0.3 acres of city-owned property adjacent to the Ed-Tech Center needed to be transferred from the city to continue with the grant-funded project.
The sliver of land was deeded to West Kentucky Industrial Foundation, which in turn will transfer the land to the county in order to allow construction to start. Building should begin by the end of the year on the million-dollar health facility on Industrial Drive.
The parking lots of the Ed-Tech Center and health department will actually be connected when construction ends next year.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

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- 3:30 p.m. - Taking Care of Your Heart - Robert Jones, PA-C
- 4:00 p.m. - Women’s Health Screenings - Dr. Amy Ratley, DO
- 5:30 p.m. - Asthma & Allergies - Dr. Bradley Rankin, Specialist

Vendors

- Burkhart Rural Health Clinic
- CHS Relay For Life - Bake Sale
- EMS - Ambulance Tours
- Home Health Department
- Marion Eye Center - Dr. Adria Porter
- Kentucky State Police - Finger Printing & DUI Goggles
- Blood Pressure Checks
- Infection Control Demo
- American Cancer Society
- Holland Medical
- Thrifty Home Medical

Cookout / Fundraiser

Help us raise money for the purchase of the EMS Hydraulic Stretcher

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