

## **BALE TRAIL OFF TO RACES** VOTING NOW OPEN ONLINE

Crittenden County's fall Bale Trail is now open and votes are being accepted in the race for the best display. Go to Facebook Crittenden County Bale Trail and like the photo of your favorite feature. A grand champion will be named on Nov. 5. There is no cost to participate. Hay bale tours began late last week. Maps are available at the Extension office, located on U.S. 60 East, about a one-tenth of a mile outside of Marion. Nonperishable food items are being collected during the contest period and can be deposited behind the Extension office. Donated items will be delivered to the Crittenden County Food Bank.

## SOCIAL SECURITY GETS **COLA BOOST FOR 2023**

Social Security recipients will see an annual cost-of-living adjustment next year of 8.7 percent. It is the largest increase since 1981. The spike will boost retirees' monthly payments by \$146 to an estimated average of \$1,827 for 2023. The hefty increase, which follows a 5.9 percent COLA adjustment for this year, is aimed at helping Social Security's 70 million recipients deal with inflation pressures. New inflation data from September, show that consumer prices increased 8.2 percent from a year ago. Food prices last month shot up 13 percent from the previous year and gas prices are going back up again. Fuel costs are more than 18 percent higher than in 2021.

# **CITY MOVES TO HIRE HELP**

## **HATFIELD RESIGNS: BUSINESS LEADERS ALIGN WITH CCEDC** Consultant hired by mayor

#### **BY CHRIS EVANS** PRESS EDITOR

Marion City Council has accepted a proposal from a local economic development group for help with identifying and hiring a consultant whose sole responsibility will be to find a solution or solutions to the town's water crisis.

With a looming election that will create

wholesale changes in city leadership, the Crittenden County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) and Lake Barkley Partnership - a four-county economic development group that includes Crittenden County – presented a plan to the city council Monday night during its regular monthly meeting. The plan is to hire on monthly contract Tim Thomas, a lifelong public policy specialist who is also former executive director of Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA).

Amanda Davenport, executive director of the Lake Barkley Partnership, testified before the council, explaining motives of the economic development groups and outlined the consultant's impeccable credentials.

"We need someone with experience in



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this," Davenport said. "This person would not make the decision, just get us through the administrative transition and coordinate with all of the involved firms."

After lengthy discussion, the council approved the plan on a 5-1 vote. Councilwoman D'Anna Browning, who had hinted of the plan for a couple of weeks, made the motion and Councilman Dwight Sherer provided a second.

Councilman Darrin Tabor cast the only dissenting vote. He said after the

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## **HISTORIC** DECISION Three seek mayor post

#### STAFF REPORT

Perhaps the most important race in the county this fall is the one for mayor.

The City of Marion has been mired in a difficult water crisis since spring. While the water shortage turned acute when Lake George's levee was breached in March, the town has suffered chronic water problems for decades. It's raw water lakes have either silted in or



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challenge to treat, particularly in the summer time. Getting water from a thirdparty source will be expensive and if Marion chooses to stay independent in the water business, it's going to have to either build a new plant or drastically overhaul the one it's using.

Solving this water crisis is tantamount to Marion's survival as a community. Water is a life's necessity and it's critical to business and resi- members – Donnie Arflack



Browning Write-In

security, Marion will begin to tear at its seams. Holding the town together will be the mayors' focus for months to come as preliminary indication is that this crisis will be a year's long fix.

Current Mayor Jared Byford signaled months ago that he wouldn't seek another term, well before the water problems arose. His looming departure drew the interest of two longtime city council



**On Ballot** 

Austin Valentine Jr. When Sykes tragically drowned in her backyard pool, a consequential election took a dynamic turn. Days after Sykes' death, current Councilman D'Anna Browning announced that she would enter the race as a write-in candidate. The road to victory as a write-in is rife with challenges largely because the candidate's name does not appear on the ballot and poll workers are

## CONVICTED FELONS MAY **CHECK VOTING STATUS**

Convicted felons may now check their voting status through an online registration portal. Due to changes in Kentucky laws in recent years, many convicted felons have had their voting rights restored. Some may not even know about their current voting registration status. By going online, individuals can check their status at any time prior to the Nov. 8 election. The website is at https://secure.kentucky.gov/Cor rections/VoterEligibility/search.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

•Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 20 at the courthouse.

•Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 4 p.m., Monday Oct. 24 at Deer Lakes meeting room.

•Crittenden County Board of Education meets ta 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 25 at Crittenden County Middle School.

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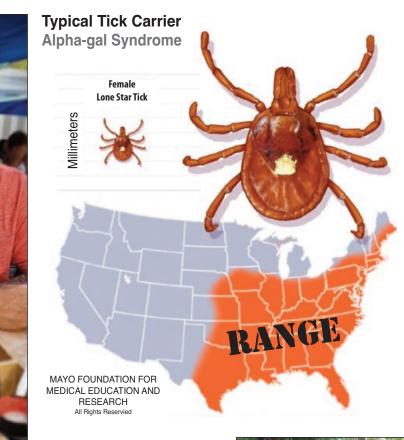




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been susceptible to drought. Its raw water has been a dential living. Without water and Phyllis Sykes - plus

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Because of a tick-borne disease, picking something off the menu has been made more difficult for Kanlee Hadfield, pictured at left with husband Wayne.



**Dustin Conner** 

efforts to not only dissect the biological cause, but to find a cure. Some within the medical field speculate that a person may try red meat again

## Living with tick-borne disease

#### BY ALEXA TABOR THE CRITTENDEN PRESS

The prevalence of a tickborne disease is on the rise. In some cases, those afflicted cannot eat red meat without suffering moderate to deadly allergies if consumed.

Alpha-gal syndrome (AGS) has affected several individuals in Crittenden and surrounding counties. Some of the victims have symptoms such as nausea, seizures and

even anaphylactic events after consuming red meat. Such is concerning, considering that red meat is typically a major part of the local diets, and especially in an area where hunting is rather popular.

A study done in 2018 reported a total of 580,000 cases in the United States, and numbers are still on the rise.

Overall, AGS can present

various symptoms, which include whelps and rashes, inswelling, tense throat swelling, and very severe abdominal issues and general discomfort, even before AGS onset. Beef, pork, lamb and deer meat can cause such reactions in those affected.

AGS, otherwise known as mammalian meat allergy, is considered a unique allergy since its discovery in 2007. There have been large-scale

## **Deaths**

## Travis

Willard Eugene Travis, 78, of Kuttawa, died Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2022 at Shady Lawn Nursing Home in Cadiz.

He was а member of Kuttawa First Baptist Church, VFW and American Legion. He

was a heavy equipment operator with Vulcan Materials, a U.S. Army veteran and loved fishing and gardening.

Surviving are his wife, Collette Ann Scott Travis of Kuttawa; a son, Eric (Malena) Travis of Kuttawa; four grandchildren, Scott (Michale) Partee, Cory Partee, Brandon Partee and Carleigh Partee; four great-grandchildren, Charlotte Partee, McKinleigh Thomason, Brantley Thomason and Paisley Reece; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Isaac Wilson Travis and Kitty Travis: two Guess sisters, Ruby Blake and Reba Kinnis; three brothers, Loya Travis, Roy Travis and Harold Travis.

Services were Saturday, Oct. 1 at Lakeland Funeral Home officiating. Burial was liam Byarley of Marion; in in Asbridge Cemein Crittenden terv County.

Memorial conributions may be made to the Disabled Veterans National Foundation, 4601 Forbes Blvd. Suite #130, Lanham, MD 20706.

## Miller

Joan Miller, 64, of Marion, died Thursday. Oct. 13, 2022 at Crittenden Health and Rehabilitation, where she worked for many vears.

Surviving are a son, Jake Miller Jr.; a brother, Mike (Kathy) Harris; and a sister, Patty Davidson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jake Miller Sr.; and her parents, Houston and Vicky Harris.

Funeral services were Sunday, Oct. 16 at Gilbert Funeral Home.

## **Byarley**

James "Jim" Walter Byarley, 84, of Marion, died Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022 at Baptist Health Paducah. He was retired from Lurena the Kentucky State Highway Department after 27 years. He liked to garden, the outdoors, his cows and

dogs. Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Nancy Byarley; a son, Timmy (Denise) Byarley of with Bro. Kyle Franklin Marion; a brother, Wil-

a sister, Billie Hussier of Peoria, Ill.; a wonderful granddaughter, Danielle Byarley and fiancé Kyle Myatt of Marion.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Coy and Ludie (Stacey) Byarley; and two sisters, Frances Kirk and Mary Etta Enoch. Funeral services

were Sunday, Oct.16 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Rev. Tim Fouts officiating. Burial was in the Deer Creek Cemeterv.

## Millikan

Elizabeth Millikan, 88, of Marion died Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022.

Surviving are a son; Ronald Millikan; five cousins, Ruthann Farmer, Peggy Sherman, Glenn Oxford, Betty Lovelace, and Mary Black; and three nieces Gina Brown. Carissa Williams and Michelle Dickerson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Millikan: her parents, Lee Hughes and Cathryn Kirk Butler; Hughes а brother, Gary Hughes; and a half brother. Donnie Belt.

Graveside services are at 11 a.m., Friday, Oct. 21, at Mapleview Cemetery. Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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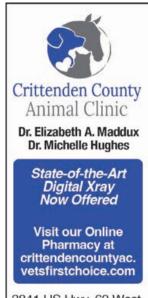


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Local 4-Hers took part in the Forestry Day at LBL earlier this month. The event taught the basics of tree identification and measurement, and the use of compass and measuring distance by pacing. Congratulations to (from left) Benjamin Potter, third place in tree measurement and second in tree identification, and second



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overall; Brooklyn Lovell, first place in tree measurement; and Holt Crider, second place tree identification.

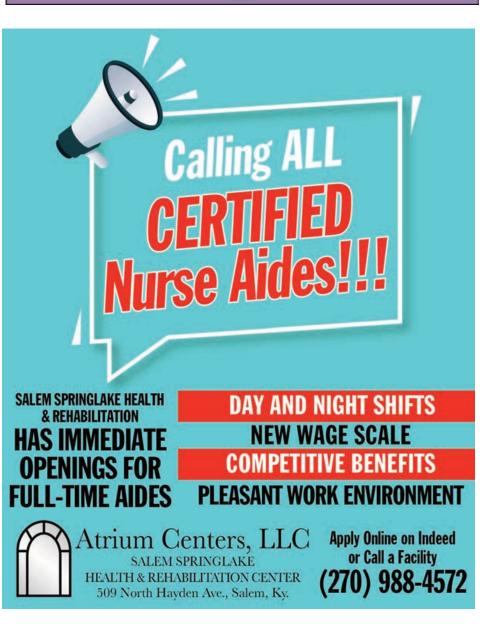




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## **Upbringing gave Tinsley early start on cooking**

**BY ALEXA TABOR** THE CRITTENDEN PRESS

There is a new food truck circulating in the area called JT's Wingz and Thangz, operated by Princeton natives Jonathan Tinsley and his wife, Kelsey Tinsley.

Jonathan, 42, was raised by a single mother and had to help his mother cook for himself and his brother. From then on, it birthed a passion for cooking that has since blossomed into a career. He held other occupations, such as car salesman, management and engineering technician at Siemens, but throughout he always held a secondary job as a cook, some of which are Adams Breezy Hill Farm Restaurant, Black Patch Grille and Marion's Mulligans Pizzeria and Pub.

"My grandmother, Margaret Jackson, used to make homemade rolls for the country club every Friday night," Tinsley said. "I used to go to her house on Friday nights as a child, and they would send all of the extra chicken and rolls home. I saw how much she loved to cook for people and it inspired me to want to do the same. Then, I met my wife Kelsey. She believed in me and pushed me to do what I had always dreamed of. I decided to take the jump and start the business once I knew that I had someone who would support me with all my decisions."

When designing the menu, Tinsley wanted to ensure that there was a variety for locals to choose from – particularly items that are not readily available in the community. He says that everything he cooks, he cooks with passion and strives to serve the best tasting food. Tinsley even uses all homemade sauces for the wings and salads sold at the food vendor.

"The reception from the community has been humbling and overwhelming, but very much appreciated," Tinsley said. "When my wife and I saw that the post of the menu was seen by 26,000 people, we were shocked and again very humbled. I was really in disbelief."

It took them a bit to work out their methods in cooking and serving at such high demand, but Tinsley prevailed. On Oct. 6 when setting up in Princeton, they were sold out of over 400 wings in an hour and a half. Tinsley gives praise to those working with him tremendously, as well as the outpouring of love the community has shown them since day one.

The truck is regularly in Fredonia, Salem and Marion.



Jonathan Tinsley prepares burgers.

## MARION POLICE activity report

Data below provided by Marion Police Department compare police activity for the month of September 2022 to the same month in 2021. The chart also includes the previous month's totals, year-to-date police activity totals and a five-year monthly average.

CATEGORY	SEPTEMBER 2022	R SEPTEMBER 2021	AUGUST 2022	2022 YR TOTAL	MONTHLY 5 YR AVG.	
Miles driven/patrolled	2,949	3,076	3,884	31,779	2970.9	TINEIOD
Criminal investigations	20	10	15	108	13.3	MARION
Domestics	7	9	7	57	8.5	
Felony Arrests	4	1	5	48	4.4	
Misdemeanor arrests	9	6	1	60	8.3	and a start of the
Non-criminal arrests	7	9	1	87	6.8	MPD 270.965.3500
DUI arrests	1	1	1	4	0.8	Police Chief
Criminal summons serve	ed 4	0	1	25	2.5	Ray O'Neal
Traffic citations	31	18	7	148	18.3	Asst. Chief
Other citations	38	8	21	254	19.4	Bobby West
Traffic warnings	0	6	3	27	7.6	
Parking tickets	0	1	0	1	0.2	On Facebook Marion Police
Traffic accidents	5	6	6	52	5.7	Department
Security checks/alarms	41	35	47	344	52.0	Marion-KY
Calls for service	174	177	181	1,565	185.9	

## TICK

Continued from page 1 over a seven-year period to see if symptoms subside, but such is considered a medical rarity.

"Well, that wasn't the case for me," said Dustin Conner of Marion, who contracted the illness in 2015. He has suffered from tremors, severe nausea and abnormal heart rate after consuming red meat.

"I don't get as sick as I did, but I do still get nausea. When I was first diagnosed, I lost 70 pounds from having to change my diet."

Interestingly enough, it was only little over a decade ago that a small population of the Lone Star ticks, prominent carriers of the illness, were discovered in Central-Eastern and North-Eastern United States. However, as the population of whitetail deer skyrocketed, the disease has by proxy. The ticks actively seek out deer as their favorite host for a blood meal, and they are also much more aggressive than other variations of ticks Ticks that carry AGS are called Lone Star from the white dot or a "lone star" typically seen on the female's back. They are able to endure both cold and hot temperatures, in extremes. Unlike the black-legged tick that is a common carrier of Lyme disease and loiters on bushes or in grass waiting for the meal to come to it, the lone star tick goes looking for a meal. It can travel at faster speeds and will even hunt in packs in order to swarm its host. This makes hunters very leery. Despite AGS being more associated with rural areas, there has also been an uptick in urban settings. Common advice for preventing exposure to these ticks is to wear tick-treated material, long-sleeve shirts and pants, dual pant layers the underside with

tucked into socks, enclosed shoes, hats and gloves. Other solutions involved applying insect repellent with 20 percent or higher concentrations of DEET or using sprays with permethrin on clothing.

Despite the severity of this growing disease, there is hope. There have been some cases where it lasted for three years, some for over 10 before it eventually dissipated. Such is not the case for Marion's Kanley Gilland Hadfield, who is still suffering the effects of a tick bite two decades later.

"I started having allergic reactions like hives, shortness of breath. I didn't know what it was," Hadneid said. She contracted the tick-borne illness years before AGS was even heavily researched or known about. Up until seven years ago, her food allergy was considered an elusive cause, though it something that was nearly claimed her life. "It kept getting increasingly worse for me. It was on a night that I went to Texas Roadhouse, where I'd had steak and ribs. It was around the six-hour window after we had come home that night when I went into anaphylactic shock. I was unresponsive. My husband found me passed out in the bathroom." Hadfield's near-death experience became a spiritual moment. Meanwhile, her husband Wayne Hadfield was rushing her to the hospi-

tal.

She recalls her life truly flashing before her eyes, as so many people say, comparing it to a "reel to reel" movie. She said things went black and she could see a light. She conversed with God, telling him that she wanted to live and there were promises made that she would be able to raise her two children. She then took a deep breath and came back to consciousness.

"They had taken me to the hospital and did everything they could do at the time," Hadfield said. "Apparently, I was going in and out of consciousness. They had given me so much medication and could not even give me more epinephrine because it would have killed me. "As you can see, I obviously survived. But I had to make drastic lifestyle changes to my diet and have had to watch what I ate since," she continued. "My husband and I even have two separate grills, one where he cooks the food I can't eat. For a while there, he couldn't even cook meat in the house without it causing me to become short of breath." About seven years later, Hadfield saw it flash across the news that there was research being done in Kentucky about alpha gal.

Baptists putting faith in action with park's refurb on Saturday

STAFF REPORT

Marion Baptist Church is mobilizing forces this weekend to refurbish Veterans Park on North Weldon Street in Marion.

The project is part of its Faith in Action initiative, said pastor Aaron Brown.

"We want our beliefs to be seen in action not just heard in our words," He added. "The world is tired of hearing people say they love their community, but never show it. We want to show it in action."

The church had been developing a plan for a block party in that area of town for several weeks and after an on-site inspection at the park, the Baptists realized it needed some attention.

So, they have ordered all of the equipment and



will be replacing backboards and rims where needed and restriping the basketball court. A custom Veterans Park logo will be painted at center court. The logo (pictured above) was designed by Maggie Markwell.

A crew of about 30 people will begin working at the park Saturday morning. They will also trim trees, fix fences, put down new mulch at the playground, install new swings, replace wood on a picnic table and generally give the park a good cleaning. Brown said the church has also purchased benches, an adult picnic table and youth picnic table made out of material forged from recycled bottle caps. There are some other plans, too, and the next day they plan to host the block party.

"Everyone from that area is invited," said the preacher.

The church will provide chili, hot dogs and all the trimmings. Plus, they will organize basketball games, yard games, have face painting and sidewalk chalk programs.

"Our goal is to do more of these things," Brown added.

The block party is from 3-5 p.m., Sunday.

## Letter to the Editor

# Museum will close for season Oct. 29

To the Editor:

Crittenden County Historical Society would like to thank everyone who has shown their interest this year by visiting the Crittenden County Historical Museum and supporting it financially by paying their yearly dues and making donations. We appreciate these efforts by the community and also our loyal days left. There are so many wonderful local items for you to see and read their history.

The museum will close for this season at 3 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 29. We also have Satan's Ferryman books available. Cost is \$50.

If you want to purchase a book after the museum is closed or need a special tour of the museum, please call me at 270-965-2082 and we can work out a meeting time.

Thanks to everyone for your support this year and we look forward to the new season in April 2023.

Then it clicked.

She and others urge everyone to be cautious of areas where ticks could be prevalent.



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If you haven't made a visit to the museum this season, you still have a few

Brenda Underdown, chairperson Crittenden County Historical Society



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\*January and February meetings are held on the second Monday of the month.

## TOLU HAUNTINGS ARE ONLY 2 MORE DAYS

The annual Tolu Haunted House opened earlier this month and will be hosting its final two fright nights on Oct. 22 and 29. It is open from 7 to 10:30 p.m., and the cost is \$10 with 12-under \$8. The kitchen is open from 6-10 p.m.

### OPEN ADULT SKILLS Building class for Home Finances

Crittenden County Schools' Crosswalk program, in conjunction with Anthem, Inc., will present an adult skill building workshop Oct. 25.

Between 5–6 p.m., participants will hear tips on how to eat on a budget, how to choose healthy foods and how to decode food labels. The event will be held in the high school library, and is open to all parents.

### FREDONIA'S PARK Party IS Oct. 30

Fredonia will host a Party in the Park on Sunday, Oct. 30 at Buddy Rogers Park. There will be a Family 5K to kick off the party. Registration begins at 2 p.m., and the race is at 3 p.m. Cost is \$25 per runner/walker and those who wear a costume will get a discount.

Party in the Park will follow from 4–6 p.m., which will include trunk or treating, games, food and more.

## CHAMBER PLANS Leadership meal

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce will host one of its routine Leadership Breakfast events staring at 7 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 16 at Rocket Arena. The event is being sponsored by H&H Home and Hardware and local educator and former U.S. Army Ranger Denis Hodge will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$15 per person.



## CHRISTMAS MOVIE ON TAP IN DECEMBER

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is planning to host a community movie during the holiday season. It will be a Christmas theme and will be held at Marion Baptist Church on Saturday, Dec. 3. Further details will be available in the coming weeks. The Chamber is paying a \$435 fee for rights to show the movie.

## LBL PRESENTS Hogwarts for Halloween event

Friends of Land Between the Lakes is hosting Hogwarts Howl-O-Ween: The Sorcerer's Stone from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Nature Station in Land Retween the Lakes

Between the Lakes. The event will include multiple natural history programs based on the beloved fantasy world of wizards and witches.

Attendees are advised to attend their classes on time, beware of the troll in the dungeon, and complete the challenges to find their very own Sorcerer's Stone (also known as the Naturalist's Stone). Between classes, attendees will make a magic wand, learn spells and meet some fantastic beasts. Firstyear Hogwarts students will walk among professors and prefects, search for Aldo the baby Bigfoot, discover both real and magical creatures and avoid the perils of an enchanted trail.

Costumes and house colors are encouraged. For the safety of Nature Station's fantastic beasts, please leave pets at home. Following is a class schedule: 11 a.m. Messenger Owls (Owls Up Close) 12 p.m. Care of Magical Creatures (Backyard

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Tour) 1 p.m. Defense Against the Dark Arts (Animal Defenses) 2 p.m. Quidditch Tryouts (Games and Relays)

3 p.m. Parseltongue 101 (Snakes Up Close) 4:30 p.m. Messenger Owls (Owls Up Close)

All activities are included in Nature Station special events fees, which are \$9 for ages 18 and up; \$7 for ages 5–17; and free for ages 4 and under. For more details, call Woodlands Nature Station at (270) 924–2299 or visit www.landbetweenthelakes.us.



## ARMADILLOS ARE Almost Normal

Armadillos are turning up quite regularly in Crittenden County. The newspaper gets calls, photos and messages from folks almost weekly.

Mandi Harrison, office deputy for the Crittenden County Sheriff's Department, took the photo above and said she's seen several in the Coleman Road area.

According to Kentucky Living Magazine, the variety we have, the nine-banded armadillo (Dasypus novemcintus), originated in Central America and South America. By the late 1800s, it had migrated north to Texas and remained a semitropical, desert and plains species until recent decades when the first ones were spotted in western Kentucky.

The magazine article said that some scientists believe a warming climate is the reason the animals can move into other habitats such as Kentucky. Other scientists attribute it less to climate change and more to the development of large farms, croplands and highway cuts, all of which create the open country armadillos like. But no one really knows for sure, the Kentucky magazine said.

## CONSTABLE RACE SEES Candidate withdrawal

Due to a professional conflict, Byron Jasis has withdrawn as a write-in candidate for District 5 constable. His name does not appear on the ballot and there are no other write-in candidates for the race.

## STURGEON EGG SALE Lands Smithland Man in U.S. Court

A United States Grand Jury last week indicted Charles Hopkins, 51, of Smithland with conspiracy to sell shovelnose sturgeon and their roe (eggs) that were taken in violation of Kentucky law.

Hopkins is charged with one count of conspiracy to violate the Lacey Act, a federal law aimed at combatting illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish and plants.

The indictment alleges that in the springs of 2016, 2017 and 2018, Hopkins, and perhaps others, transported and sold shovelnose sturgeon and their roe in interstate commerce, knowing that the fish were taken in violation of and in an unlawful manner under the laws and regulations of Kentucky. If convicted, Hopkins could be sentenced to up to 5 years in prison. The case is being investigated by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

## MASKING OPTIONAL Now at hospitals

Crittenden Community Hospital and Livingston Hospital have begun a mask-optional policy for anyone visiting the campus. Masks had been mandatory since the beginning of the pandemic in 2020. The CDC a few weeks ago announced new guidelines for healthcare facilities, allowing them to relax masking policies. If the community's

transmission rate were to rise to a concerning level, which has been established by the CDC, the mask mandate would be put back into place.

## FOOD ILLNESS CAN Be reported fast

A new Kentucky website has been launched where individuals can easily report foodborne illnesses.

Previously, when someone suspected foodborne sickness, it was reported to district or local health departments by phone. Then, it was determined whether the case warranted further investigation. Now, this new website allows for quick reporting by consumers. It also allows state public health officials to get the necessary information more efficiently, and to improve turnaround time to hopefully prevent others from becoming sick.

The website is Food-SafetyReporting.ky.gov is part of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

## TDS INSTALLING FAST Net in Salem, Burna, Frances, D'Burg

TDS Telecom has broken ground on a fiber network upgrade project in Salem to deliver super-fast internet service to residents of that community as well as Burna, Carrsville, Dycusburg, Frances, Hampton and Lola, the company said in a news release issued late last week.

The fiber network expansion will reach approximately 1,400 residential dwellings and businesses. Residents will receive up to 1Gig connections, and businesses can choose up to 10G dedicated connections. "We've been a proud part of Salem for nearly 35 years, and we're excited to get started on this fiber-to-the-home project," says Bruce Mottern, state government affairs manager for TDS. **TDS** contractors started work on the project last week, a process that includes laying underground cable as well as hanging fiber on utility poles. The network will be completed in sections, with the new, faster speeds becoming available gradually as

areas are completed. If construction proceeds as planned, the first customers are expected to be connected within the next 12 months.

TDS says that in addition to offering a range of internet choices, the fiber technology also offers symmetrical speeds, meaning the service has equally fast download and upload speeds. This feature enables both smooth media streaming as well as seamless video conferencing for those who want to telecommute.

### **4-H SELLING FLOWERS**

Crittenden County's 4-H club is selling Christmas poinsettias. Red, white and pink 6½inch, foil-wrapped pots are available for \$10 each.

Proceeds benefit the Crittenden County 4-H Council. Contact any local 4-Her to order, or contact Extension service at (270) 965-5236. Pick-up will be between noon and 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 26 or Monday, Nov. 28 at the Extension office.

## TRASH SCULPTURE, PIGGY BANK CONTESTS

Two 4-H contests are around the corner. Entries for the annual Crittenden County trash sculpture contest are due Dec. 12. Students in kindergarten through 12th grade are eligible to participate, as well as home schoolers.

A piggy bank design contest is also available for students in grades K-12. Piggy banks do not have to be in the shape of a pig. They can be made from repurposed material or they can be plastic or ceramic. They must be personally decorated. Entries are due by 4:30 p.m., Nov. 1 at the Extension office. Cash prizes are awarded for both contests.

### **911 FEE APPEALS DAY**

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trainers in the entire Class A second district. Over the previous summer, the girls attended a week-long training camp on Student Athletics at the University of Kentucky and have since used their new knowledge to help out the Rocket football team.

■ Quality Day Care received a \$30,000 Child Care Development Block Grant from the Department of Social Service and used it to purchase new playground equipment. Some of this equipment included state-of-the-art rubber mulch to create padded flooring in case of falls and a new monkey bar set.

## **50 YEARS AGO**

#### October 26, 1972

■ Fohs Hall Elementary School students participated in a "mock election" casting their vote for president and senator. The results were Nixon 268; McGovern 49; Nunn 195; Huddleston 120.

■ The eighth-grade All-Star football team representing the Crittenden County Little League program was defeated 22-6. This was their first loss of the year.

■ Representatives of the Marion PTA, Charles Stan Hoover, Judy Simmons, Sara Ford and Rose Crider watched as County Judge John W. Chandler signed a proclamation naming October 22-28 as American Education Week in Crittenden County. Mayor B.A. Phillips also signed a similar proclamation for the city.

■ The fifth-grade Friendship 4-H club met to elect its officers for the upcoming year. The following officers were elected: President, Robert Towery; Vice President, Pam Childress; Secretary and Treasurer, David Roberts; Reporter, Richard Ford; and Rita Shouse, Recreation Leader.

den County 911 Board -Appeals Committee will have a public hearing at 9 a.m., on Monday, Oct. 24 at Marion City Hall to hear from individuals who wish to appeal their 911 fee assessed on the 2022 Property Tax Bills. Individuals who feel this fee was assessed in error can appear before the board for consideration and review of their situation.

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# 10 YEARS AGO

#### October 25, 2012

■ Senator Rand Paul visited Marion as the featured guest speaker of the Crittenden County Republican Party for the Pennyrile GOP Dinner. The Republican senator had never been to Marion before, and his appearance was scheduled to help raise funds for the local GOP which would benefit Marion's Lynn Bechler who was running for the Fourth District Kentucky House seat.

■ Crittenden County High School's student council sponsored a Rocket Mascot Meal Deal at Conrad's. Students sold pork chops and ribeye sandwiches to help raise money for a new high school mascot costume.

■ Linda Brown, former Crittenden County High School music and chorus teacher, was welcomed into the Crittenden County Retired Teachers Association by Algie Richards. Other new members included Nancy Lacy and Marilyn Konstanty. During the meeting, the group also celebrated Retired Teachers Week.

 Several seniors from Crittenden County took part in the Pennyrile Senior Games held in Hopkinsville. These games were open to seniors 50 years and older. Some winning participants include Darl Henley and James Henley who both won first place in the football throw, softball throw, jacks and clothes hanging competitions for their age groups.
 Crittenden County's Lady Rocket high school soccer team held its annual awards banquet to honor the girls for their hard work during the season. Among the honored were the players named to the All-Fifth District Team, which included Whitney Williams, Paige Hicks, Anna Schnittker and Marie Riley.

## **25 YEARS AGO**

#### October 30, 1997

■ Kentucky State Police investigated an attempted burglary that took place at a Marion residence. Peggy Easley returned home at about 9:30 to discover the glass on the back door was broken and phoned the police immediately. Sources suspected that the burglars were searching for prescription drugs prescribed to Peggy Easley's late husband Sonny, who recently died after a lengthy battle with cancer.

■ More than 100 teachers, classmates and community members responded to a request for blood donations to help automobile accident victim and Crittenden County High School senior Stacey Jones. It was the largest blood drive in county history. The donor request was made to replenish American Red Cross blood supplies depleted by doctors who struggled to save Jones' life following a serious traffic accident that happened on Jones' drive to school.

Shanna Wood, Ginny Templeton, Rebecca Woodall and Melissa Moore become the only high school student

# Religion The Crittenden Press

Seek the good in each other

Simple is not synonymous with easy. In the realm of spirituality, they can be nearly opposites.

"Love you neighbor as yourself.'

"For by the grace given to me I bid everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think." "Rejoice in the Lord, al-

ways.'

"Do not covet."

"Jesus is Lord."

Some of these roll off our tongues with an understanding of their truth but the knowledge of our failure to do them. They are reminders to us of where we are and where we are going. We all have good days on which we are successful. But then there are others...fail.

I believe the simply expressed moral codes we live by are worth pursuing. They are beautiful and aspirational. They are those thoughts that lead to actions, which makes for a better world for all of us.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus announces what his kingdom looks like in a series of simple statements which are rarely easy for us. "Do not worry about your "Forgive others, so life." you will be forgiven." "Do not be angry with your brother or sister." "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy." These are not easy for

us. A simple rule of life is

applied spiritually when the right place. The more he says, "Ask and it will valuable an item, the be given to you; seek and more effort and expense

you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." I don't know exactly what Bono meant in his classic song, "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For." I take from that the admission that the spiritual "seek and you

will find" may

not be as easy

as advertised.



NIESTRATH Faith-based columnist Guest Columnist

There is the promise of God answering our asking, seeking, and knocking. It is followed immediately by a reminder that the

road that leads to life is a narrow one; not exclusive, just difficult. Applied more broad-

ly, asking, seeking, and knocking are reminders that we get the results that we deserve. We all know that if we are looking for faults in others (or ourselves), we will certainly find them. The same is true if we are looking for the good. We find what we are looking for.

Looking for mushrooms, gems, fish, game, or wild berries requires some effort. It requires knowledge and looking in it takes to acquire it. Understanding what we are looking for is crucial to

our success. Generations have alwavs been at each other. I think it is fun and interesting to see the differences; it is also informative of the world that we live in. No generation grows up in the same world as their parents anymore never Technology has

have. the differences made even more marked today that in generations past.

It is difficult to get a grasp on the generational changes of the last 100 years; The Great Depression, WWII, Korea, Cold War, Vietnam, Dot.com Bubble, 9/11, Credit Crisis; Radio, TV, Cable TV, Cellphones, Podcasts/ Streaming and social media. It is no wonder that each generation is so different from others. We find what we look

for here on earth. There has been so much criticism, and occasional animosity, between generations (nothing new here) that it can become difficult to communicate.

It is worth training ourselves to seek the good in each other and in each generation. Look for their contributions rather than costs. Look at what is done right rather than wrong. Look with eves of understanding rather than criticism. We all have fears, challenges. comforts, and life-altering events. But they are all different.

When I am doing research, I use keywords to search databases. I find what I am looking for. However, I sometimes refine my keywords to get better results. The same is true when we look at each other. The same is true when we think about our spiritual health. The end of the teaching on asking, seeking, and knocking is, "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets." (Matthew 7:12).

Our spiritual health and the way we see others are intimately linked. Jesus knew what he was talking about in the Sermon on the Mount. He knew that we would need God's help and he knew that it would not be easy for us - even if it is simple.

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## Selfish pride over church roles cause rifts

Question: I've always taken a leading role in my church. Now, new members have come in and are taking some of the positions I've previously had. I resent their intrusion into our harmonious, little church. Am I seeing their input in the wrong way?

Pride over Answer: church leadership positions can cause tremendous damage to a church's fellowship. If we arrogantly seek to be seen in doing certain things, it will cause a rift in a church.



ferent gifts of service always bring changes to the dynamics of a church body. The Bible points out, "There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds king, but the same WO God works all of them in all ence and walk alongside

men. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good" (1 Cor. 12:4-7). Most people tend to see change as a negative, but not so with God.

Instead of resenting the changes new members bring, irm their nresat

them encouraging their service. At the same time, stay plugged in and willingly serve in whatever way needed. Perhaps, you can use your gifts to expand your church's ministries in the community.

Unity among different folks may seem unrealistic, but with the Holy Spirit working in us, He binds our hearts to each other. He gives us a common faith and a common mission that of bringing glory to God.

Send your questions to:

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New members with dif-

bob@bobhardison.com

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The end of your search for a friendly church



**Community Events & News** 

Crittenden County Extension Service's Quilt Club will meet 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20.

Bake sale starting at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct 22 at the Salem Food Market. All proceeds will support the Maranatha General Baptist Church in Salem, Ky.

There will be a Crittenden County Extension District Board meeting at noon, Wednesday, Oct. 26 at the Extension Annex.

The VFW in Marion has Bingo starting at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at 412 N. College St., Marion.

■ The last Marion Show and Shine will be Oct. 27, weather permitting. Cars, trucks and motorcycles permitted at Crittenden County Courthouse, 107 S. Main St., Marion. Sponsored by City of Marion Tourism. City of Marion Police Dept. authorized.

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

The Clothes Closet of the First Baptist Church in Fredonia is open to serve the area with free clothes. For the time being, the Clothes Closet is operated outdoors from 1-3 p.m. each Thursday. Please observe social distancing. The Clothes Closet will be closed in case of rain.

■ Salem Baptist Church Thrift Store is open 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday and Saturday at 209 Highland St., Salem.

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

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

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

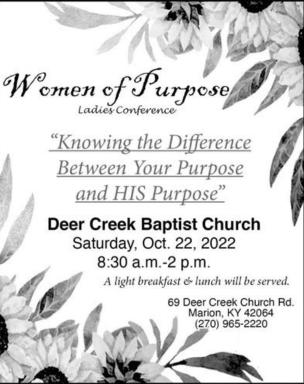




Bro. Greg Rushing and congregation extend a special invitation to the public to attend.



Church is located on Highway 506, 6 miles from Marion



## Extreme weather conditions hit the county in 1940

Weather is always a subject of conversation. I, for one, am always comparing today's weather with what the weather was last year or even 82 years ago.

The year 1940 in Crittenden County was a notable year of extreme weather conditions. From the archives of The Crittenden Press, let's take a visit to 1940 and see what was in store for the county.

Winter. January 5, 1940. The year started out with the Ohio being frozen over at Dam 50 for two days. W.D. Hatcher, lockmaster at Dam 50, reported a two-inch depth of ice over the Ohio from bank to bank extending

from Dam 50 to the mouth of the Wabash. This was the first solid freeze of the river since the winter of 1936 when a low of -5 degrees was reported and the weather remained below freezing for a pe-

riod of four days. The season's low was reported Jan. 2 when the mercury dropped to 2 degrees. In downtown Marion temperatures of 2 to 3 degrees were reported

Jan. 3 with Tuesday night being the most severe. Following a two-inch snowfall, a thaw proved detrimental. A light mist began to fall and froze as it struck to the ground. Highways were coated with ice and became treacherous.

Down in the Tolu area, Claude Arflack and a group of men who had stock wintering on Hurricane Island, had to cut ice before placing a boat in service to remove the stock.

The men laid a board plank walk and used large saws. After sawing the ice in blocks, they loosened a portion and then shoved it downward into the current with the aid of skid poles. After completing the path, a ferryboat was used to remove the stock.

Several residents of the Tolu community walked across the river and reported solid ice from Kentucky to Illinois.

R. J. Hardesty, game came more severe weather.

On the night of April 3, the county was struck by a twister. Freakish in all respects, the sections suffering heaviest were Tolu, Iron Hill and Sugar Grove.

Elmer Mott had the rear wall of a service station blown out and Tom Conyer's front porch was picked up and placed in the rear of the house.

In the Sugar Grove-Tribune sections, a barn was unroofed on the farm of Henry Paris, and a similar structure of Frank Woodside's was twisted from the foundation and practically demolished. Sol and Cecil Baker each lost barns, and the home of Hubert Hunt was comunroofed. P.P. pletely

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Cedar Lane, known to all Crittenden Countains, was twisted, torn and will never again be the picture of scenic beauty that it previously presented.

One of the largest trees in the Iron Hill-Deanwood sections was uprooted directly opposite the front porch of the home of Joe Dean with roots protruding several feet in the air and within jumping distance of the porch, but no damage was done to the porch or house. The storm was apparently split by Iron Hill as no damage was done beyond.

Striking the Tolu section in the neighborhood of Barnett Chapel a tenant house on the farm of R. J. Hardesty was blown many feet and Earl Hale suffered a similar loss.

It was reported that buildings on the farm of George Dowell were damaged and the home of Hodge Tabor, near the E'town and Tolu-Y was twisted and blown from the foundation. Luther Hardesty had a barn town down and house unroofed. In the southern section of the county, the storm unroofed several sheds and a home in the Mexico section, the blow next struck Mott City at the intersection of the Princeton-Dycusburg highway. Mr. Mott and son, Glenn, were in the large stone building attempting to hold the doors closed and were thrust aside, the doors blew open and the velocity of the wind was sufficient to blow the rear wall of concrete blocks aside as if it were paper. Some of the blocks were thrown a distance of 12 feet from the wall. April 26. With melting snow from the north mixing with heavy rainfall along the path of the river, the Ohio River flooded.



In November of 1940, a severe wind storm badly damaged the historic covered bridge that crossed Crooked Creek on Fords Ferry Road and tore away most of its covering.

boats were not operating. No stock drowning or damage had been reported, the owners being warned and having time to remove the animals and anchor buildings in the areas that would be flooded.

The damage to roadbeds was severe caused by heavy winds that lashed at dirt fills for many hours and complicated by the swift current. All bottoms and lowland had been under water for 10 days with many low-lying roads being cut off from any traveling.

Summer. Next came summer with its heat wave and drought.

July 26. Severe and intense heat over the entire county has caused much suffering and discomfort during the last four days with temperatures ranging well above 90 degrees. In many fields, pastures and crops are drying bad-

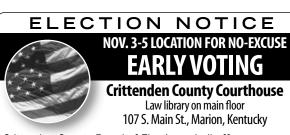
August 2. Fourteen days of heat wave, and for several days the mercury was near 100 degrees for the last five days. Crops in the fields were wilting and pastures searing, and in many sections ponds for stock watering purposes were dry and water was being hauled from wells to pastured stock.

August 8. Heavy showers finally brought relief and broke the 14-day heat wave.

August 23. Severely high winds hit the county and damaged many acres of corn in all sections of the county, and fall yields were decreased by 40-50 percent. The wind was freakish, shattering large trees and unroofing several barns in scattered sections. The rains following the high winds did much to aid late crops, but many acres of corn were beyond aid. In the lower river bottoms, pastures assumed green surfaces and ponds filled that had been dry for the past three weeks.

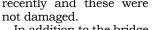
Fall. Fall comes and with it more damage.

On Nov. 11 comes a severe windstorm that wrecks a familiar landmark. The severe windstorm that struck Monday, Nov. 11 blew down the covered portion of a familiar landmark, the covered bridge, on old Fords Ferry Road at the crossing of Crooked Creek. Abutments and floor had been repaired



Crittenden County Board of Elections shall offer no-excuse. in-person Early Voting for the General Election in the law library on the main floor of Crittenden County Courthouse 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3; Friday, Nov. 4; and Saturday, Nov. 5.

recently and these were not damaged.



In addition to the bridge damage, several barns unroofed, were trees



com).

Crittenden County Board of Elections will offer excused in-person absentee voting Oct. 26-28 and Oct. 31-Nov. 2 during regular business hours, weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., inside Crittenden County Clerk's Office for the General Election for voters who will be unable to ballot in-person for Early Voting or on Election Day. Voters must attest to their reason for being unable to vote during Early Voting (Nov. 3-5) or Election Day (Nov. 8).

This notice is given pursuant to Kentucky statutes

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The blow came early

Monday morning follow-

ing the severe downpour

Sunday night.After the windstorm Monday, the

temperatures began to

drop and ice was reported

in many places on Tues-

day. Wednesday, Nov. 13

was the coldest of the fall

So ends a rough weath-

er year for Crittenden

County. It's interesting to

read and learn of these

past weather conditions

that affected the area in

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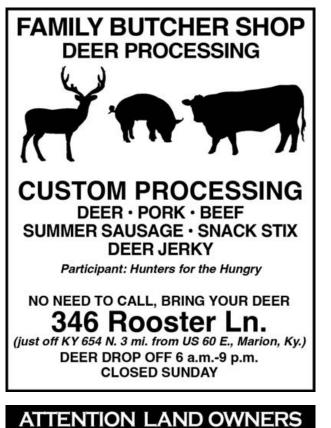
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warden, purchased 150 pounds of ground corn from the Marion Milling Co. for the purpose of feeding the birds in Crittenden County, as they have not been able to secure food through the past two weeks of snow and ice.

January 26 came, and with it temperatures came temperatures of -15 degrees. The third blast of the season struck the county Wednesday, night driving the mercury to -5. At noon it only had climbed to 10 degrees with no thawing. A twoinch snowfall early Tuesday morning made the total for the past 30 days 17 inches. Freezing temperatures and piercing winds followed, placing crusts on the coating making walking hazardous and halting traffic.

Spring. April 3, 1940, Spring finally came, and with the change of season

The river bottoms were covered, and many ferry

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## THANK YOU

A big thanks to everyone for gifts, flowers, cards, calls, visits, offers of help & prayers during my 21 day hospital stay and since returning home. There are so many I won't attempt names in fear of leaving someone out. Also, thanks for the good care from Dr. Jonathan Maddux, everyone at Crittenden Community Hospital including physical therapy and cardiology department.

Thanks to the churches in this county and surrounding ones who had me on their prayer lists and please continue to remember me as I recover.

> God bless each one, Margaret Gilland

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#### for sale

Massey Ferguson 50 with new back tires, 6' howse bush hog, 6' grader blade, \$4,000. (270) 519-1485. (2t-43-p)

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#### sales

Inside moving sale now through end of Oct., 129 Harris Circle, Salem, Ky. (1t-42-p)

Yard sale, Saturday, Oct. 22, 8 a.m.-?, 429 Sturgis Rd., Marion. Boy and girl clothes (NB and up), women clothes of all sizes, queen bed frame, flower pots, end tables, coffee tables, tanning bed, baby crib, dish/cannister set. (1t-42-p)

Big yard sale, Thursday, Oct. 20, Friday, Oct. 21 and Saturday, Oct. 22, 8 a.m.-? Clothes for men, women and girls, household, antiques, lots of miscellaneous, check it out. 110 East Cruce Lane, behind The Front Porch restaurant. (1t-42-p)

Yard sale Sat., Oct. 22 8 a.m.-3 p.m., 57 Mexico Rd. Toys, books, men's and women's clothes, knick knacks, ladies bike, nice picnic table and lots more. You won't want to miss this one. Judy Cosby and Angel McDonald. (1t-42-p)

Moving sale at the old hospital, 130 N. Walker St., Marion. Friday, Oct. 21, Saturday, Oct. 22 and Sunday, Oct. 23 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Everything must go. Tools, trailer, construction materials, remodeling supplies, pictures, lighting, Hickory kitchen cabinets, antiques, absolutely everything. (1t-42-p)

Yard sale, Friday, Oct. 21, 3710 U.S. Hwy. 60 West, Jane Tinsley - nice 8x10 rug, home décor, Christmas and more. Girl (7-16) name brand clothes, shoes, purses, JoJo Siwa bedding and Frozen bathroom set, China cabinet, toys and more. (1t-42-p)

#### real estate

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### UPCOMING EVENTS **Rocket Sports**

FRIDAY

Football at Russellville SATURDAY

XCountry at Regionals in Benton Jr Pro football at Trigg County THURSDAY

MS boys basketball at Dawson MS girls basketball at Caldwell

### FOOTBALL **Class A Standings**

CLASS A FIRST DISTRICT			
Team	Overall	Dist.	
Crittenden	4-4	1-0	
Russellville	1-6	1-0	
Fulton Co.	2-6	0-2	

#### CLASS A SECOND DISTRICT

Campbellsville	5-3	2-0		
Bethlehem	6-2	1-1		
Lou. Holy Cross	6-2	1-1		
Fort Knox	3-5	0-2		

## GOLF **Trail of Tears Cup opens**

Marion won the Trail of Tear Cup last weekend. Players representing Marion's Heritage Golf Course and Deer Lakes Golf Course in Salem competed in a Ryder Cub style competition over two days. Marion won 19-11. Players for Marion's team were Jeremy Shoulders, Eddie Perryman, Kyle Myers, Dakota Watson, Jonathan Kirk, David Cowan, Tom Heaton, Brian Hunt, captian Darrick Myers, Jason Guess, Roy Rogers, Shawn Holeman and Doug Phelps.

### **CROSS COUNTRY Regionals are Saturday**

Lady Rocket sophomore Mary Martinez finished fifth in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes race in Paducah last week at 14:45.84, but was well behind the winner Gabby Ault of St. Mary who ran the two-mile short course in 12:38.72. Crittenden County's Ella Geary was 10th at 15:43.49. Others from CCHS were Presley Potter at 14th, Karsyn Potter 17th and Bailey Williams 19th. The Lady Rockets finished second as a team behind McCracken County. In the boys' race, Livingston's Michi Davidson was fourth in 11:15.77. Crittenden's top finisher was Asa McCord in 13th place at 12:56.23. Jayden Gibson was 28th, Landon Starkey 32nd, Colt Belt 33rd, Wyatt Gibson 40th and David Abshire 42nd for the Rockets.

On Saturday in a full-distance race at Graves County, Martinez paced CCHS runners by finishing 20th in 23:23.50. Aubrey Grau was 22nd at 23:48.36, Ella Geary was 28th, Presley Potter 31st and Karsyn Potter 38th. For the Rockets, Asa McCord as 42nd at 20:33.14. Landon Starkey was 70th, Jayden Gibson 74th, Colt Belt 83rd and Wyatt Gibson 94th.

# **Five-peat** for Vball

Crittenden County's volleyball team captured its fifth consecutive Fifth District Tournament title Tuesday night at Rocket Arena.

The Lady Rockets swept Livingston Central in three sets 25-11, 25-15 and 25-17. CCHS is fourth in RPI the Second Region and is awaiting to learn its opponent in next week's regional tournament at Henderson. The girls will likely play on Monday.

Crittenden won the first two sets handily over LCHS, but Livingston tied Crittenden in the third set at 16. Crittenden's girls took the lead 17-16 be-fore reeling off eight points to Livingston's one to end the match.

coach Bailey McDonald CCHS praised Livingston's aggressiveness late in the final set and said the district as a whole has improved throughout



Crittenden's Riley Smith attempts a dig in the championship win over Livingston Central at Rocket Arena Tuesday.

the season.

"Coming into tonight we knew it was going to be hard to beat Livingston three times, but we swept them in three (sets)," said junior libero Riley Smith.

"Next year we're shooting for a sixpeat, and right now we're in the top four in the region, which is the best we've ever done," said junior Jaylee Champion.

"We claimed our fifth championship, and I'm so excited about that," McDonald said. "Winning this game is always something that is our first goal every year, and we want to be competitive in our region."

CCHS finished 17-12 in the regular season and has not lost to a district opponent this fall.

## **DeBurgo Coach of Year; Guess All Region**

#### STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County soccer coach Jessica DeBurgo has been named Coach of the Year in the First Region and senior Taylor Guess was selected to the All Region Team.

The Lady Rockets lost last week in the first round of the regional tournament to Madisonville. However, the girls had a record-setting season with the most wins in the history of the soccer program. CCHS finished the season 11-6-2. The girls were runnerup in the Fifth District Tournament.

DeBurgo is a native Rhode Islander who moved to Nashville after completing college. There she played and coached in an adult soccer league. She also played in middle school and high school, plus travel soccer.

Guess scored 22 goals and led the team with 19 assists. She also scored the 50th goal of her career this season. She was also selected to the All Fifth District team. This was the second year in a row that Guess has been chosen as an all-region player.



DeBurgo

Guess



There was plenty of celebrating Friday night. At left Lane West celebrates a fumble recovery and above Tyler Belt celebrates his one-yard touchdown carry in the first half.

# **Rockets start hot to smoke Pilots**

#### STAFF REPORT

Turnovers and big plays gave the Rockets a head start Friday in the race to win a district championship as Crittenden County was quick out off the blocks in a 47-14 win over Fulton County for homecoming.

well and came out and started fast. That was a big thing."

The Rockets (4-4) had come from be-

2.96

Total Yards: CCHS 269, FCHS 170 Fumbles/Lost: CCHS 0-0, FCHS 2-2

The regional championship 5K race is Saturday morning at Marshall County High School.

## OUTDOORS **Hunting Seasons**

Here are some of the key hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up:

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Bullfrog	May 21 - Oct. 31
Fall Squirrel	Aug. 20 - Nov. 11
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7
Deer Archery	Sept. 3 - Jan. 16
Turkey Archery	Sept. 3 - Jan. 16
Deer Crossbow	Sept. 17 - Jan. 16
Racoon Hunting	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Turkey Shotgun	Oct. 22-28
Deer Gun	Nov. 12 - Nov. 27
Turkey Crossbow	Nov. 12 - Dec. 31
Fall Squirrel	Nov. 14 - Feb. 28
Racoon Trapping	Nov. 14 - Feb. 28
Quail, Rabbit	Nov. 14 - Feb. 10
Bobcat	Nov. 19 - Feb. 28
Duck	Nov 24 - Nov. 27
Canada Goose	Nov. 24 - Feb. 15
Dove	Nov. 24 - Dec. 2
Turkey Shotgun	Dec. 3-9
Duck	Dec. 7 - Jan. 31
Deer Muzzleloader	Dec. 10-18
Dove	Dec. 24 - Jan. 15
Deer Free Youth	Dec. 31 - Jan. 1
Furbearers Free You	uth Dec. 31- Jan. 6
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Snow Goose	Feb. 16 - March 31
Coyote	Year Round
Ground Hog	Year Round
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CCHS scored six unanswered touchdowns to start the contest, flipped on the running clock in the second half and left the rest of it for its reserves.

Nearly all of the Rockets' damage was delivered by quarterback Micah Newcom's pinpoint passing. The junior QB threw for 193 yards, completing 13-of-15 passes. Senior receiver Kaleb Nesbitt caught two scoring strikes, his first on the game's opening play from scrimmage on a 52-yarder. Caden Howard caught his third scoring pass of the season late in the first half, tying a school record for most TD catches by a freshman with three on the season. Preston Morgeson hauled in the other first-half touchdown pass, and returned a punt in the third quarter to put CCHS up 41-0.

Junior Tyler Belt rushed for the Rockets' other touchdown. He was the only CCHS running back to have positive net yardage in the game as Crittenden rushed for just 11 yards. It was the first time in history Crittenden had gained so little on the ground and still won the game. The last time CCHS rushed for under 40 yards and managed to post a victory was in 1965 over Fulton City.

The Rockets forced Fulton into two fumbles and two interceptions, setting up two touchdowns. Nesbitt also blocked a punt to set up another score.

"It sets us up for a showdown against Russellville for an in-season district championship," coach Gaige Courtney said. "The guys played hard, executed hind to win each of their other three victories. The win Friday signals the first time CCHS has won two straight this season.

Crittenden will be at Russellville this week. The Panthers beat Fulton County earlier this season in overtime so this game will determine the No. 1 seed for the playoffs and the regularseason district championship.

#### SCORING PLAYS

Fulton County	0	0	0 14	
Crittenden Co.	14	21	66	

#### SCORING PLAYS

C-Kaleb Nesbitt 52 pass from Micah Newcom (Preston Morgeson kick) 11;51, 1st C-Tyler Belt 1 run (Morgeson kick) 4:29, 1st C-Nesbitt 16 pass from Newcom (Morgeson kick) 11:17, 2nd

C-Morgeson 2 pass from Newcom (Morgeson kick) 10:44, 2nd

C-Caden Howard 18 pass from Newcom (Morgeson kick) :37, 2nd

C-Morgeson 52 punt return (Pearson kick failed) :00, 3rd

F-Katon McCauley 40 pass from Caden Kimble (JShon Jones pass from Kimble) 4:49, 4th

C-Camron Belcher 59 pass from Quinn Summers (run failed) 3:03, 4th

F-Luke Jackson 18 run (no attempt) 0:00, 4th

#### **TEAM TOTALS**

First Downs: CCHS 4, FCHS 6 Penalties: CCHS 9-55, FCHS 5-22 Rushing: CCHS 8-11, FCHS 23-74 Passing: CCHS 16-20-0, 258; FCHS 5-16-

#### **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS** Rushina

CCHS: Gattin Travis 3-(-5), T.Belt 2-17, Morgeson 1-0, Newcom 2-(-1). FCHS: Jackson 3-23, Kimble 3-7, Jones 9-46, Mc-Cauley 4-1, Jovan Westmorland 1-3, Charles Goodman 3-(-6).

#### Passing

CCHS: Newcom 13-15-0, 193; Summers 3-5-0, 65. FCHS: Goodman 3-11-1, 32; Kimble 2-5-1, 64.

#### Receiving

CCHS: Nesbitt 3-75, Case Gobin 2-53, Morgeson 3-9, Gabe Keller 1-7, Evan Belt 1-5, Travis 1-23, T.Belt 1-3, Howard 1-18, Belcher 2-57, Hayden Hildebrand 1-8.

#### Defense

Seth Guess 2 solos, 3 assists; Nesbitt 2 solos, 2 assists, blocked punt; Nate Faith interception; C. Gobin 4 solos, 3 assists, TFL; Howard 3 solos, assist, sack; Sam Impastato 5 solos, 2 assists, 2 caused fumbles, 2 TFLs, sack; Bennett McDaniel assist; E. Belt solo, assist; Brayden Poindexter 3 solos, 2 assists; Jacob Carder solo; Blake French solo, assist; T. Belt assist; Keller assist; Berry 2 solos, 2 assists, fumble recovery; Travis 5 solos, interception; Hildebrand assist; Trae Taylor assist; Keelyn Gobin 2 solos; West fumble recovery; Michael Counts solo; Jason Millikan solo.

Players of the Game: Offense Micah Newcom and Kaleb Nesbitt, Defense Sammy Impastato, Lineman Lane West, Special Teams Preston Morgeson.

Records: CCHS 4-4 (1-0), FCHS 2-6 (0-2).

## UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

#### October

22 - Blue-White Game, 6 p.m., SECN 30 - Missouri Western, 7 p.m., SECN November 3 - Kentucky State, 7 p.m., SECN+ 7 - Howard, 6:30 p.m., SECN 11 - Duquesne, 7 p.m., SECN 15 — Michigan State, 7 p.m., ESPN 17 - S.Carolina State, 7 p.m., SECN 20 - at Gonzaga, 7:30 p.m., ESPN 23 - N. Florida, 4 p.m., SECN+ 29 - Bellarmine, 7 p.m., SECN+ December 4 – vs. Michigan, noon, 1 p.m., ABC

10 - Yale, 1 p.m., SECN 17 vs. UCLA, 5:15 p.m., CBS 21 — Florida A&M, TBA 28 — at Missouri, 7 p.m., SECN 31 - Louisville, noon, CBS January 3 – LSU, 8 p.m., ESPN 7 — at Alabama, 1 p.m., ESPN 10 - S. Carolina, 7 p.m., ESPN/ESPN2 14 — at Tennessee, noon, ESPN 17 — Georgia, 9 p.m., ESPN 21 — Texas A&M, 2 p.m., ESPN 24 — at Vanderbilt, 9 p.m., SECN 28 - Kansas, 8 p.m., ESPN

31 - at Ole Miss, 9 p.m., ESPN/ESPN2 February

- 4 Florida, 8:30 p.m., ESPN
- 7 Arkansas, 9 p.m., ESPN/ESPN2
- 11 at Georgia, noon, ESPN/ESPN2
- 15 at Miss. State, 8:30 p.m., SECN
- 18 Tennessee, 1 p.m., CBS
- 22 at Florida, 7 p.m., ESPN/ESPN2
- 25 Auburn, 4 p.m., CBS

#### March

- 1 Vanderbilt, 7 p.m., SECN
- 4 at Arkansas, 2 p.m., CBS
- 8-12 SEC Tourney, ESPN, SECN

## **Donald Arflack**

#### AGE 65 OCCUPATION Retired RESIDENCY Lifelong Marion resident WORK EXPERIENCE

Worked at Crittenden Community Hospital for over 39 years as a registered nurse and 3 years at Family Practice Care in Fredonia. EDUCATION

#### Graduated from Crittenden County High School 1975; graduated from Paducah Community College 1983 with associate's degree in applied science as registered nurse.

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Member of Marion City Fire Department, Crittenden County Fire Department and Crittenden County Rescue Squad for more than 30 years. Treasurer and chief of the rescue squad for 30-plus years. Lifelong member of Marion Baptist Church. Served on the Marion City Council for the past 16 years.

#### COMMENT

"The next mayor will be taking on monumental tasks in the coming term. The primary challenge will be securing an affordable, sustainable and quality water supply. No solution can be decided until we know exactly what the end cost to the user will be, how much control we would have over future costs and that an increase in demand can be guaranteed. Although going to a regional water system has some attractive qualities on the surface, there are many unknown factors.

"Is the "Water District" willing to share the costs associated with supplying us with water or will we have to pay for it all? What will that cost be to the end user – how much would our water bills increase?

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"Would it be better and cheaper to continue to produce our own water? The list of questions goes on and on. We don't have the answers to any of them yet, so no educated decision can be made until all questions are answered.

"The next mayor will face the biggest challenges of any mayor in city history and will require more involvement and time at city hall. I believe I am the most experienced and qualified candidate running, and being retired, I am the only candidate who can be available when needed to work with the city administrator without work/employer time restraints.

"Come January of next year, we could potentially have a completely new council, city attorney and a new **MAYOR** Continued from page 1 not allowed to voluntarily offer write-in names unless the voter specially asks for a list of them.

has Valentine largely promoted himself as an outsider that will bring change to city government. Arflack and Browning have both pointed out that their experience and understanding of the problems facing Marion are beneficial to expedite a solution. Arflack has been a staunch supporter of Marion staying independent in the water

business. He has indicated a desire to rebuild the lake and plant while Browning has been more open to exploring the idea of regionalization, a direction state leaders have also promoted.

Arflack is a longtime rescue squad chief and Browning is a front office employee at Siemens plant in Marion. Valentine is a math teacher at the Job Corps in Morganfield. Valentine says he has a background in construction, which would be beneficial to the next mayor. Browning says she has the best working relationship

with other leaders in local and state government while Arflack is promoting the time he would have to spend at city hall because he's retired. Who ever wins the

race will have a momentous task ahead. At least four of the six city council seats will be occupied by newcomers with perhaps no more than cursory understanding of how city government works. A levelheaded, businesslike approach will undoubtedly be required to navigate Marion through the troubled path ahead.

treasurer for Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community since 2016. Member of the City of Marion Revolving Loan Fund Committee. Served on Crittenden County Economic Development Corporation board of directors and served among founding members of Lake Barkley Partnership for Economic Development.

#### COMMENT

"During these unprecedented times and challenges, the City of Marion demands decisive, experienced and bold leadership. Commitment to open communication is key in us moving forward as a community. My plan as your mayor is to improve transparency in local government. Among other plans, I will write a regular letter of communication to the community and publish it across various platforms, including in The Crittenden Press, and on social media platforms controlled by the City of Marion. I will regularly update the community on items discussed in city council meetings and what's happening outside of city hall as I work with others in this community and beyond for the betterment of Marion.

"We need to permanently install proper video equipment in city hall so every public meeting can be broadcast live and archived. Keeping our community informed and involved will be a top priority. I will improve communication with other city leaders and department heads, and keep open a clear and regular line of communication with county, state and federal officials who also serve this community.

"After the election, I will work closely with the new council and provide the leadership necessary to move Marion forward. We will hit the ground running in January.

"Solving our water crisis is clearly my primary objective as your new mayor. Having an open mind and a willingness and understanding of how to work with others is so important. I County Schools, 2016-2021; substitute teacher at Livingston County Schools 2016 – 2019; quality Construction & Excavation, Inc., owner 2000 to 2013, dealing with government, commercial and residential contracts; Valentine General Contractors, owner, 1997 to 2000; served as an administrative assistant for the City of Marion during summers of 1993 and 1994.

#### EDUCATION

Graduated from Crittenden County High School in 1993; attended Madisonville Community College 1993-1994; attended Murray State University 1994-1997 and 2017-2018, earning a bachelor of integrated studies in applied science with an area in computer science, minored in history and geographic information science: attended Southern New Hampshire University online 2020, earning master of arts in history; currently attending Liberty University online and have completed all classes and in the dissertation phase of the Doctor of Philosophy in History Program.

#### COMMENT

"When I first cast my name into the ring for mayor of Marion, I had a list of a few things that I felt needed to be addressed; the most important of these was the inflated water bills. Considering this was a measure to help with the cost of the new wastewater treatment plant, I knew in the back of my mind that the freshwater treatment plant would be next, not to mention the eventual replacement of old failing waterlines throughout the city. However, I had no idea we would be in the mess we are in today.

"Nevertheless, we are now in a crisis, which sadly falls back on why I initially decided to run for this position in the first place – lack of preventative maintenance and failure to establish priorities. Based on what I have read from the state, I strongly feel

## **John Deere Memories** Gardening closing out, harvest in full bloom

How is your garden doing? My cherry tomatoes are blooming and bearing like crazy following a 3-4 week dormant period. My

favorite ones are yellow and are called Sun Sugar. Did vou know that the yellow tomato varieties are Chris typically **CLARKE** lower in Press Columnist acid than Happy Trails red varieties?

Tomato varieties large and small actually come in many colors with each color having specialized health benefits. I also grow a red cherry tomato each year called Sweet 100. They are almost as good as the Sun Sugar tomatoes. Both of these varieties produce abundantly and typically bear until frost, which will hopefully be sometime in November here on our hill in White Plains, although some of my neighbors have reported seeing frost this past week. (I'm writing this on the last day of September.).

While I love garden-ripe tomatoes, I despise those so-called tomatoes trucked in from Florida and other places. They usually have little flavor and have the texture of an overripe apple... Yuck! When my tomatoes are finished, I'm finished with tomatoes until next summer.

Hopefully, you got your turnips planted in August. My dad always wanted to plant his turnips on Aug. 8. Why? Because someone once told him that you should plant your turnips on Aug. 8. Maybe it was his dad, or his grandpa, or perhaps a trusted friend. He never told me, and silly me... I never pinned him down for an answer.

When I took over the parden. I always tried to honor his Aug. 8 planting date. However, I occasionally had to resort to a delayed planting. I love those turnips! Note: The deer love them too, which is why some deer hunters actually plant turnip patches for deer food plots! October has arrived, which means it's harvest time. Most local farmers began shelling corn several weeks ago. In fact, some of the area farmers who got their corn planted early are likely finishing up on their corn harvest and will soon be changing their combine headers in order to begin their soybean harvest. For those of you who may not know, you shell corn with a corn header and combine soybeans with a grain platform header. The corn header has snouts, which literally go between the corn rows

and gently lift any corn stalks which have fallen down in order that the ear can be harvested. With very few exceptions, the combine must stay in the rows during the harvest.

Back in the 1970s when I was farming, I had a John Deere 55 combine with a 2-row corn header. Corn headers in those days were based on a 38 - 40-inch row spacing. Also, most folks back then were pleased with a yield of 100 bushels of corn per acre. By today's standards, a yield this low would be considered a total crop failure.

One of my farmer friends over in McLean County is currently averaging 240 bushels per acre farm-wide this year. That's a very impressive yield, especially when you consider the fact that many corn yields are lower this year due to the excessive heat and dry weather we had during the critical pollination stage of this year's crop.

Everything is different today - and larger. The guy who farms the field in front of our house here in White Plains uses an 8-row corn header on his John Deere combine and he plants his corn with a 30-inch row spacing. A quick check of the John Deere website shows that they are selling corn headers in widths up to 16 rows (30-inch row spacing) or 18 rows (20inch row spacing). John Deere also sells grain platform headers up to 50 inches wide. (The platform for my old combine was a whopping 13 feet wide).

Platform headers for soybeans and wheat are an entirely different animal. Interestingly, the combine doesn't need to follow the rows at all with a platform header. It can literally go any direction to combine soybeans or wheat, just like mowing your lawn.

One final word please be watching for tractors and combines on the road for the next couple of months. These rigs are huge and they require lots of room on our roadways. If you meet one, pull over as far as you can and just sit there and wait for them to pass. That farmer will be very thankful. By the way, congratulations to the Crittenden County 4-H Horse Club. I was excited to read in last week's Press that they recently had their first meeting. If you have young horse-lovers in your home, give Leslea Barnes a call at the local UK Extension Office and see how your child can be involved in the 4-H Horse Club. Author Chris Clarke grew up in Salem and Marion and has an equestrian ministry, which was featured this month by Kentucky Today.

mayor. I urge everyone to carefully consider your vote on all candidates."

## D'Anna Browning

#### AGE 50 OCCUPATION

#### Planner and buyer for Siemens. **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Major accounts sales for Ingersoll Rand.

#### RESIDENCY

Grew up in Marion and Tolu. After graduating from high school lived in Murray and Oceanside, Calif. (Camp Pendleton), and Dothan, Ala. Also, lived in Mayfield and returned to Marion in 2009.

#### EDUCATION

Graduated from Crittenden County High School 1990. Earned a bachelor's degree in public relations in 1997 and master's degree in organizational communication in 2013 from Murray State University.

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Currently serving third term on Marion City Council. Have served as am the person who can best do that. I have the relationships, organizational skills and reasoning skills to be your mayor.

"I love Marion and I'm highly concerned for our future. Marion is my home, the home of my friends and family, and it's where I work. It's yours, too. This is exactly why I chose to run as a write-in candidate for Mayor."

## Austin Valentine Jr.

#### AGE 47 OCCUPATION

Academic/Numeracy Instructor at the Earle C. Clements Job Corps Training Academy April 2019, teaching math. Facilitates the center's Penn Foster High School Program.

#### RESIDENCY

Came back to Crittenden County in August of 2010, when me, my wife Cari and three boys Austin, David, and Matthew, moved into the City of Marion.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Substitute teacher at Crittenden

that we could have avoided this predicament in the first place. However, we are here and must deal with the issues at hand. Therefore, based on our current situation, I feel, more strongly than ever before, that a need exists for someone with a working knowledge of construction, earthwork and management to step into the picture.

"That being said, my opponents are better qualified in the political arena. They know the inner workings of city government from their past experiences as council members better than I do. However, I do not feel they have the mechanical knowledge that will be needed to successfully and timely get our town back on track. Furthermore, look at our current city government. Why would we promote someone from the current administration? The City of Marion needs someone new with fresh ideas. Someone who possesses mechanical and administrative knowledge. In summary, the City of Marion, Kentucky, needs someone who looks ahead.'

## Rushing files for constable in District 6; only 2 write-in candidates on local ballot

Former local policeman and deputy Greg Rushing has filed as a write-in candidate for constable in District 5.

Rushing is currently serving as the District 5 magistrate, but will vacate that post in January because he lost a primary election in the spring to keep the seat.

Rushing filed this week, days after Byron Jasis withrew as a writein candidate for constable in that district.

There is only one other write-in candidate currently registered for local elections. D'Anna Brown-

Former local policeman ing is a write-in candind deputy Greg Rush- date for mayor.

There are two write-in candidates filed for the congressional race.

Candidates have until Oct. 28 to file as a writein candidate. Only candidates who file in advance are qualified to win an election. So write-in ballots cast for unregistered individuals will not be counted.

Voters are allowed to ask poll workers for a list of write-in candidates registered for the election. However, poll workers cannot offer that list unless asked.

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## Homecoming Court

Pictured is the entire homecoming court from Friday night's pre-game coronation ahead of the Rocket football game against Fulton County. Pictured are freshmen Levi Suddoth, Nai'Zayah Bell; juniors Micah Newcom, Lizzie Campbell; seniors Deacon Holliman, Callie Dempsey; king Evan Belt, queen Raegan Peak; seniors Case Gobin, Natalie Boone; sophomores Michael Porter, Carly Porter; and last year's queen and king, Maggie Blazina and Trace Derrington. In front are crown bearer and flower girl, Mya West and Ryder Blackburn.

## WATER

Continued from page 1 meeting that he didn't disagree with the idea of hiring a consultant or the individual recommended. His dissent was with the structure and format by which it was presented. Tabor said he would prefer the council have hired the consultant and that the individual would report directly to the council.

Instead, Mayor Jared Byford said Thomas will be employed by CCEDC and the city will pay the economic development group \$4,500 a month to secure his services.

"There is an election coming up and Marion will have a new mayor, a new city administrator, new council members and also a new city attorney," Davenport said during her presentation of the plan. "The CCEDC and business community put their heads together to help find someone with experience in this. We need a quarterback."

When the council approved the plan to hire a consultant, the room erupted into applause. More than 50 individuals were at the meeting, including local residents, heads of both manufacturing plants in the industrial park, hospital CEO, school superinchamber of tendent, president, commerce other local professionals and business owners. Also, several candidates for public office were there. Extra chairs were brought into the council chambers to accommodate the large crowd. The consultant's name was not revealed during the meeting, but council members had been briefed days ahead of time about his identity, background and expertise. KIA, the Kentucky agency that he previously



More than 50 people attended Monday's city council meeting. Extra chairs were brought in to accomodate the crowd. Many of those attending were business owners, business professionals and community leaders who said they had come to support a proposal to hire a consultant to help solve the water crisis.

headed, is inside the Department for Local Government and provides financial help in the form of grants and loans to communities for water and sewer projects. Additionally, the KIA handles funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, which has \$250 million in federally appropriated dollars to spend in Kentucky for clean drinking water and wastewater projects.

Chris Cook, school board chairman and chairman of the CCEDC, also testified before the council in support of hiring the consultant.

"We need a professional with expertise and I urge the council to take a critical step tonight,' Cook

sion to resign was based on a need to insulate his personal business interests from policymaking.

Also, at Monday's meeting it was learned that there is no chance to repair the levee at Lake George this fall before the rainy season. Representatives from Bacon, Farmer and Workman Engineering were at the meeting. They told council members that their \$1 million levee repair estimate and plan will work, although the Dam Safety Division of the Kentucky Division of Water has responded to the firm's Preliminary Geotechnical Exploration and Stability Analysis with several questions. BFW told the nuncil that it believes the levee and pipe that created the original leak - which led to the dam being purposely breached in March - can be repaired. But it's not going to happen until next spring, much the chegrin of Marion leaders. The work could take about two or three months to complete once it gets going. But before that can happen, the encomplete more detailed engineering work and have it approved and permitted. The engineering and permitting phase will take months.

Additionally, BFW said it believes the levee can be repaired without excavating and replacing the entire thing.

City leaders pointed out, however, that repairing Lake George does not solve Marion's long-term water problem. Its plant, which received a report of non-compliance from a late August inspection, needs repairs, perhaps completely replaced. That would cost handsomely like other options which include buying water third-party from а provider.

The city continues to work on potential longterm connections with Crittenden-Livingston and Princeton's water districts. Princeton notified Marion in the last few days that it would need between \$11 million and \$15 million in upgrades before it could be counted on to meet Marion's full daily demand of water. The Princeton connection would also include a \$5 million new

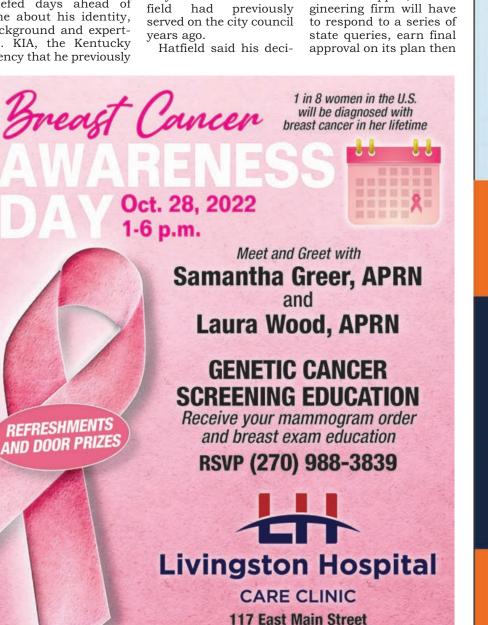
water line from the edge of Caldwell County into Marion. It's unknown at this point what, if any, upgrades the Caldwell County Water District would need to make because its system would be included in the transmission of water.

Marion has, since spring, been under a strong conservation order issued by Mayor Byford, which prohibits automobile washing and outdoor plant watering pluse requires other mandated measures to safeguard the town's limited supply of drinking water. Marion has been getting about two-thirds of its daily water from Crittenden-Livingston. Meanwhile, Marion is treating and distributing the balance of the daily need from what it can draw out of the remnants of Lake George and Old City Lake.



said.

A few hours after the meeting, Councilman Jason Hatfield posted on social media that he is resigning from the council. Hatfield was appointed a few weeks ago to fill the unexpired term of Phyllis Sykes, a councilwoman who drowned in her backyard pool in August. She was also a mayoral candidate. Hat-



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