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LONGER SCHOOL DAYS AWAIT STUDENTS WHEN CLASS RETURNS OCT. 12

Fall break will wrap early next week for Crittenden County students. They will return to class on Tuesday, Oct. 12 to a 10-minute longer day in order for the school district to bank four extra days into the calendar in case of pandemic cancellations or inclement weather this winter. For the remainder of the academic year, the school day will officially begin at 7:50 a.m., and conclude at 3:05 p.m. Director of Pupil Personnel Diana Lusby said the added minutes allow the district flexibility in case more days are needed for closings. This year, the state provided school districts with only 10 Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI) days. Crittenden has already used seven due to the recent COVID-19 spike. Lusby said that the slightly earlier start will not alter morning bus pick-up times. Afternoon bus drop-off times will be delayed five minutes. The Crittenden County Board of Education approved the extended day at its Sept. 28 regular meeting.

TAX DISCOUNT PERIODS UNTIL NEXT MONTH

City property taxes are due by Nov. 1 to avoid penalty. Starting on Nov. 2, unpaid tax bills will see a 25% penalty. Tax payments postmarked on Nov. 1 will be accepted without penalty. The City of Marion mailed its tax bills a couple of weeks ago. The county sent its tax bills last week. Paying county tax bills by Nov. 1 provides a 1% discount. From Nov. 2 to Dec. 31 taxes are payable at face value. If paid in January, there is a 5% penalty and after that penalties increase. County fire dues, which are included on county tax bills, are not subject to the discount.

FIRE HAZARD SEASON

Kentuckians are reminded that it is Fall Forest Fire Hazard Season. Through Dec. 15, it is illegal under state law to burn anything within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland between the daylight hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Delaying burning until late in the evening when humidity levels are typically higher and winds are generally lower makes it harder for fires to escape.

GARDENS GO DORMANT LATER NEXT WEEK

As fall sets in, the Victory Gardens on Old Morganfield Road are shutting down. The last distribution day will be on Friday, Oct. 15. Until then, distribution continues from 9 a.m., until 1 p.m., weekdays.



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Last Hur-rah at Rocket Stadium?



Rocket football players take the field during a game earlier this season at Rocket Stadium.

Fast-tracked construction of high school set for spring

STAFF REPORT

When it comes to government construction projects, delays are quite common. However, if there are no hiccups in plans to build a new high school on campus, work could begin as early as April.

If the project stays on a fast track, this will be the final season for football at 60-year-old Rocket Stadium.

Known for the past 20 years or so as The Pit, the football field will be demolished to make way for new development. With pre-construction work moving more rapidly than perhaps anticipated, an engineer told school leaders last week to begin thinking about what a 2022 football schedule might look like if construction of a new field isn't complete until September. Football season begins in the middle of August, so CCHS would have to play about a month on the road before it could host a home game.

RBS design specialist Jeannie Cannon told school leaders at last week's board of education meeting that work will be done in several phases and will include a new boiler for the middle school (which will become the district's administrative offices); renovation of the current high school (which will become the middle school); demolition of the football stadium to make way for a new high school; construction of a new sports complex that will feature

a football stadium with a competitive oval track around the field and a girls' softball stadium; and construction of a new two-story high school on the west end of Rocket Arena.

The new school should be open for the 2023-24 academic year if construction can begin next spring.

Bids have come in under budget for the boiler-replacement phase; however, no other part of the project has gone out for bids at this point.

Variables for getting additional work started by April will hinge on the availability of building materials and laborers, school leaders say. Projects in and around Crittenden County have been hindered throughout the pandemic by delays in materials, and in some cases, workforce availability.

Cannon hopes to bid the project by March, assuming all pre-construction approval is received by then from the Kentucky Department of Education.

If construction of the new football field and high school cannot get underway by April, Crittenden County Superintendent Vince Clark will recommend waiting until at least November of 2022 to begin. Otherwise, he said, it would be too disruptive for the football team to play all of its game on the road next season.

Ag Tax changes affect farmers, vendors

A change to farm tax exemptions is coming for all farmers in 2022. The 2020 legislative session of the Kentucky General Assembly passed KRS 139.481 which will require the use of an Agriculture Tax Exemption number that will be issued by Kentucky Department of Revenue for agriculture tax exempt eligible purchases.



Dee Brasher
HEIMGARTNER
AGRICULTURE AGENT
CRITTENDEN COUNTY
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Farmers are asked to fill out form 51A800 to obtain and Agriculture Exemption Number. The form is available on the Department of Revenue's website at Revenue.ky.gov. Crittenden County Extension will also have the forms available at its office at 1534 US U.S. 60 East in Marion. The form requires verification of agricultural activity by submitting one of the following documents:

- IRS Schedule F, Profit or Loss from Farming,
- IRS Form 4835, Farm Rental Income and Expenses
- Farm Service Agency Number,
- Other Type of verification.

Once approved, farmers will receive an Agriculture Tax Exemption Number that must be renewed every three years. With so many applications being turned in, farmers are asked to act now and turn form 51A800 in to Kentucky Department of Revenue.

Starting July 1, 2022 driver's license numbers are no longer able to be used for farm exemption certificates. You must use the Agriculture Tax Exempt Number. The following forms must be presented to each vendor like farmers have always done but must use the new number that will be given to the farmer by the Department of Revenue:

- Form 51A158 used for farm purchases and machinery,
- Form 51A159 for materials, machinery, and equipment for construction of farm facilities.

This new law will also affect businesses that sell products that are eligible for farm tax exemption. All farm tax exempt records with local businesses will need to be updated for each farmer to include the new Agriculture Tax Exemption Number.

For more information farmers may call Kentucky's Division of Sales and Use Tax at (502) 564-5170, option 1 or email DOR.Webresponsesaletax@ky.org.

The author, Extension Agent Dee Brasher Heimgartner, recommends that farmers and vendors contact their tax advisor if they have further questions.

911 seeks critical info from residents; database will improve first response

STAFF REPORT

In order to improve public safety and to better serve the community, Marion-Crittenden County Emergency 911 is asking residents and businesses to provide important information that can reduce response times and enhance safety for everyone during emergencies.

Kellye Dalton, who was recently hired as the new 911 coordinator, says updating the dispatching center's database is critical to improving first responder services and meeting the needs during non-emergency response to issues that arise daily.

The dispatching center has created a form and is asking residents, caretakers, business owners and others to complete the one-page document and return it to central dispatching at city hall.

Dalton, a former Kentucky State Police dispatcher, explains that the 911 center needs to constantly update its files because things change.

"Now is a good time to update our records, and I would encourage anyone whose situation changes to in the future to let us know," she said.

Sought is critical information that might include the



Kellye Dalton answers a call at Marion's 911 dispatch center which is inside Marion City Hall.

following: hard-of-hearing or sight-impaired individuals residing at an address, the names and phone numbers of key-holders to businesses or homes, livestock owners, names of emergency contacts for a particular address or whether serious medical conditions exist for individuals at a location.

"EMS might go to someone's house on a call, and if they know ahead of time that there's an elderly person inside that might not be too mobile or prone to falling, it would be beneficial to know if

there's a hidden key somewhere," she said. "That might prevent a door from having to be broken down in an emergency situation. We're just looking at getting information along those lines."

Having information about Alzheimer's and dementia patients or residents with serious psychological disorders can help first responders to assess critical situations more clearly, the dispatching director said.

"By helping us catalog

Deaths

Curtis

Laura Jane Curtis, 56, of Marion, died Sunday Oct. 3, 2021 at Baptist Health Paducah.

Surviving are her husband, Larry Curtis of Marion; her mother, Carolyn Uptain Hackney Papineau of Marion; two sisters, June Sherer (Johnny) Colburn and Debra (Terry) Ford, both of Eldridge, Ala.; a brother, Randy (Marilyn) Hackney of Parr Ind.; two nieces, Deana (Jason) Jones of Paducah and Natasha (James) Shepard of Nauvoo, Ala.; two nephews, T.J. (Nikki) Sherer of Jasper, Ala. and Barrett (Casey) Sherer of Marion; four special grandchildren, Daryl, Millie and Hadley Sherer; and a special sister and brother-in-law, Jennie Sue and Randy Samuels.

Curtis was preceded in death by her father, Kirtley Hackney; and a niece, Carissa Ford.

Services are at 11 a.m., Friday Oct. 8 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Rosebud Cemetery.

The family will receive visitors from 5-8 p.m., Thursday Oct. 7 at the funeral home.

McDowell

Judy McDowell, 75, of Marion, died Friday, Oct. 1, 2021 at Baptist Health Paducah.

Surviving are her husband, Eddie McDowell of Marion; a son, Eric Bruce McDowell of Reidland; a brother, Mark Douglas Robertson of Marion; three sisters, Carole Sue Robertson of Independence, Mo., Martha Devine of Benton and Diana Hosick of Marion; and 3 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Ellen Marie Robertson; a brother, James Donald Robertson; and a sister, Betty Jane Jones.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 7 at Freedom Cemetery in Marion.

Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Hart

Robert Stanley Hart, 52, of Salem, died Friday, Oct. 1, 2021 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem.

No services are scheduled.

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

Ritter

Robin Michell (Mynatt) Ritter, 49, of Salem, died Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021 at her residence.

No services are scheduled.

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

Bray

Cody Joshua Bray, 33, of Dawson Springs, formerly of Colorado and Arkansas, died Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021 in Grand Rivers.

No services are scheduled.

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

Beard

Thomas Alan Beard, 57, of Marion, died Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021 at Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Evansville. He was a member of Life In Christ Church and served in the Army National Guard.

Surviving are his wife, Lisa Beard of Marion; his mother, Doris Beard of Marion; three sisters, Jeanne (Peter) Bowen of Camden, Maine, Joanie Beard Thomas of Benton and Donette (David) Perryman of Marion; two nieces, Mary Perryman and Addie Thomas; and friends, Rosie and Cal-lie.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bobbie Don Beard.

Services were Saturday, Oct. 2 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Mapleview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mary Hall Ruddiman Animal Shelter, 24 Just-A-Mere Road, Marion, KY 42064.

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Curry

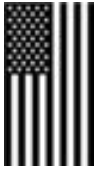
Thomas Franklin Curry, 79, of Clay, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 2021 at his home after a short battle with cancer.

He was born on Jan. 8, 1942 in Sturgis to the late Jesse and Jewell Curry.

He worked for Hendrix Electric, McGill Farms and for Derrick Shelton doing dozer and trackhoe work; Kelley Railroad, Webster County Landfill and was a coal miner at Hamilton and Ohio 11, Providence Plastic factory and Wright Trucking.

He loved hunting, fishing, raising pigs, small engine repair and especially enjoyed UK basketball. His favorite thing of all was loving and spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving are seven daughters, Alesia Smith, Nancy (Jerry) Gibson, Beverly Belt,



Kelly (Anthony) Connor, Peggy (Johnny) Nally, Katy (Dustin) Conner and Trisha Timmons, an honorary son, John (Jane) Robertson; four sister-in-laws, Cheryl Harris, Peggy Penrod, Marilyn Gentry and Kathy Curry; 24 grandchildren, Justin Smith, Amanda (Glen) Stone, Michaelia (Zach) Latham, Jesse (Hailey) Belt, Cody Belt, Tyler Belt, Jenny Nally, Mikey Nally, Payton Nally, Alex Nally, Kay-dence (Tubby) Nally, Alexis Parker, Kathrin Parker, James Parker, Landon Curry, Lane Curry, Dawson Parker, Jacob Hastings, Josh Hastings, Justin Hastings, Jacob Kurtz and Torri Timmons, Emily (Logan) Shuecraft and Cooper Robertson; nine great-grandchildren, Conner Smith, Sophia Smith, Alton Gibson, Tinley Belt, Betty Nally, Isaac Nally, Elizabeth Dotson, Alyssa Baker and David Oswalt; and several nieces and nephews Sandra Harris, Debra Bruce, Susan Myers, Richard Penrod, Nicki Curry, Ray Curry, Tina Curry and Cassie Moore.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Shelia Curry; a son-in-law, Richard Smith; three brothers, Jesse Moore Curry, Rodney A. Curry and Larry Curry; a niece, Crystal L. Curry; and two honorary sons, B.J. Hastings and Joey Lee McDowell.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Sept. 29 at Vanover Funeral Home in Clay with Brother James "Jake" Brantley and Brother Ned Whittaker officiating. Burial was in Curry Cemetery in Clay.

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Rose

Christopher Shawn Rose was called home to glory Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021, having a full life and completing what God had intended him to do here. He was a wonderful boyfriend for 34 years and an even better husband for 26 years to his heart-broken wife, Joyce. Their favorite hobbies included talking and shooting guns, squirrel or rabbit hunting, horseback riding and business gigs. There were many adventures they had but always doing them together.

"He was a good man who took care of so many," said his son John. He wore many hats. A friend to tell it like it is, full of stories and humor, a counselor, a willing ear if you needed it and a

nurturing teacher and dad figure to so many more.

He was a certified welding educator (CWE) certified welding inspector (CWI) through the American Welding Society, welding instructor for Livingston Central High School for 13 years and Murray Calloway Area Technical Center for 11 years and Local Skills Advisor for the local chapter, state Skills USA officer advisor, District 2 Skills USA state coordinator and Skills USA national conference advisor. He held a bachelor's degree in science from Murray State University. He did all this and more wherever he could help.

He was a past master of Carrsville Masonic Lodge. He was a member of North Livingston Baptist Church for 16 years and the church secretary and adult Sunday School teacher.

To say he will be missed is an understatement. But to know he touched so many lives the way only he could do, giving a part of himself to move forward a better person is something we should all strive for.

"It's not about how much we have lost. It's about how much we have left," - quote by Tony Stark, Iron Man.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce Rose of Burna; a son, John Rose of Burna; and his parents, Jerry Neal and Bonnie Gay Rose of Grand Rivers.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Johnny and Elsie Fox, and Calvin and Norma Rose.

Services will be at 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 7 at Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Danny Starrick and Bro. Jim Wring officiating. Burial will follow at Hampton

Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 5-8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 6 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

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Huffman

Charles "Alan" Huffman, 76, of Morganfield, died Sunday, Sept. 19, 2021 at Deaconess Midtown Hospital. He was born Nov. 19, 1944 in Kennett, Mo., to Josephine Belt. He worked in autobody industry repair for more than 50 years and operated Alan's Body Shop since 1982 at its current location. He graduated from Crittenden County High School in 1963. He was an active member of his community and always sponsored local athletics and fundraisers throughout his community. He was a Kentucky Colonel. He enjoyed eating out and spending time with family and friends and most of time he spent in his "Happy Place," his office. He loved Racing. He followed NASCAR and was on the crew for Bill Baird Racing and helped Keith Millikan on his pulling tractor and car.



He was a NASCAR collectible fanatic.

Surviving are his loving wife of 55 years, Linda Huffman of Morganfield; two daughters, Kathy Jo (Ted) Morse of Shawneetown, Ill., and Lisa (CJ) Manis of Morganfield; two sisters Carolyn Taviner of Hardin, Ill., and Sara Kelley (Charlie) Mayes of Newburgh, Ind.; four grandchildren Alex Huffman, Darian Conroy, Jacob Manis and Justin Manis; a great-grandson, Elliot; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother; four brothers; and a sister.

Services were Monday, Sept. 27 at Whit-sell Funeral Home in Morganfield. Rev. Brad Tucker and Rev. Dwight Jackson officiated. Burial was in Rosebud Cemetery in Crittenden County.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospital or American Cancer Society, or Ben's Place.

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VFW meets on Oct. 14

The Virgil Jones VFW Post 12022 and auxiliary will meet at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 14. The meeting will be held at the post building located at 412 N. College St., in Marion. Refreshments will be served.

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Residents’ rights recognized

Marion Mayor Jared Byford (center) signed a proclamation Friday, Oct. 1 drawing attention to Residents’ Rights Month at Crittenden County Health & Rehabilitation. The event was scheduled to bring light to the rights nursing home residents have, including their right to vote and participate politically. The theme of National Long-Term Care Residents’ Rights Month is “Reclaiming My Rights, My Home, My Life.” It recognizes the nursing facility as the residents’ home and the importance of residents maintaining their rights as a result of the federal Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987. Pictured with Byford are (seated from left) Alma Wilson and Shirley Byford and (standing from left) Kiana Nesbitt, Crittenden Health & Rehab social services and admissions director; and Candy Yates, Crittenden Health & Rehab activities director.



Peoples Bank Day proclaimed

The Peoples Bank celebrated its 75th anniversary Friday, Oct. 1. President, board chairman and CEO Terry Bunnell (second from right) listens as Marion Mayor Jared Byford and Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom read a proclamation recognizing the bank. The bank’s Marion headquarters is undergoing an interior renovation and will celebrate the remainder of the year with its customers. Pictured (back from left) are Marion attorney Bart Frazer, former Peoples Bank president Gordon Guess, and former Marion mayor Mickey Alexander.



Distinguished Crittenden grads honored

Crittenden County High School graduates Beth Towery Davidson 1985 (above left with assistant superintendent Tonya Driver) and Jim Wigginton 1966 (above right) were recognized Friday, Oct. 1 as Crittenden County Distinguished Alumni. Davidson has spent her nursing career in the Nashville area devoted to heart failure and created or contributed to several professional organizations in her field. Wigginton has multiple entries in the Guinness Book of World Records for activities he performed to bring awareness to thyroid cancer and established a research center in memory of his late wife.



Donations from First United Bank and participating golfers earned the Rocket golf team just over \$1,400 for its program following a golf tournament at the Heritage at Marion Golf & Pool Sept. 25. Accepting the donation from First United Bank’s Marion Branch Manager Charlie Day are (left) coach Vicki Hatfield and assistant coach Teresa Foster. Marion Golf & Pool also waived its course usage fee.

1950’s theme for Homemakers Week

BY JANEEN TRAMBLE
EXTENSION AGENT

Crittenden County Homemakers are planning a membership drive during Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association Week Oct. 10-17. The Extension annex on U.S. 60 East in Marion will be decorated like a 1950’s diner, hosting a full week of activities.

If you join Homemakers or pay \$10 dues during Homemakers Week, you will receive a goody bag filled with items from a famous lady of the 1950s. I wonder who that could be?

If you are interested in learning something new or giving back to your community, consider joining the Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association. The volunteer organization works with the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service to help improve the quality of life for families and communities through leadership development, service and education.

Activities during Homemakers Week include After Hours and Challengers Club meetings with a 50s diner backdrop to take club, friends or individual photos. What about photo in a pink convertible, with Elvis or Marilyn Monroe? Who doesn’t love an old fashioned soda fountain? Supplies will be available for DIY milkshakes and Coke floats.

A Twilight Walk will be held at City-County Park’s trail and track. Chair exercises led by Victoria Edwards will be offered for those who can’t walk.

There are four ways to join Crittenden County Extension Homemakers – Join an existing club, create a club, become a mailbox (member at large) member or become an inbox member.

Crittenden County has two traditional clubs.

Homemaker Week events

- Oct. 12, 5 p.m., After Hours club meeting – Come dressed in your 50s attire.
- Oct. 13 12 p.m. Challenger club meeting – Come dressed in your 50s attire.
- Oct. 14 5:30 p.m. Twilight Fitness Event – Meet at the pavilion near the disc golf course at City-County Park.
- Oct. 16 - Bread, Candy and Cookie sale at H&H Fall Festival.

Each meets monthly to receive an educational lesson taught by a club member. Challengers Club meets at noon and After Hours meets at 5 p.m., both at the Extension office.

Specialty Homemaker clubs include the Quilt Club and Hooks and Needles Club. If one of our current clubs does not meet your needs, consider starting your own club. I would love to start a Pinterest club if there is enough interest.

If monthly meetings do not fit into your schedule, mailbox or inbox memberships are available. Mailbox members receive the educational information in the mail each month. Inbox members receive the educational information via email each month.

Learning opportunities for this year include: Random Acts of Kindness, Use Less Spend Less for the Holidays, Kentucky 4-H and YOU(th), Underground Railroad Quilts, Sensational Salads, Saving Savvy, Planning a Butterfly and Pollinator Garden and Skillet Cooking.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Crittenden County Homemakers, contact the Crittenden County Extension office at (270) 965-5236.

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DUNCAN

Danielle Duncan started her job with the City of Marion in September. She is a Livingston Central High School graduate who moved to Marion after marrying her husband, Timmy Duncan. They own and operate Crittenden Collision and Repair in Marion. Duncan attended college at West Kentucky Community and Technical College in Paducah, earning an associate's degree.

Duncan says she's excited about the new post and loves Marion.

Q: What are the primary duties of a code enforcement officer?

A: A Code Enforcement officer's primary duties are the prevention, detection, investigation and enforcement of violations of laws regulating public nuisance, public health, safety and welfare, public works, business activities and consumer protection, building standards, and land-use or municipal affairs in the City of Mar-



ion. This encompasses many things, but examples of these duties include providing new building or signage permits and ensuring city properties are kept safe and presentable.

Q: Do you have a set of priorities now that you're the code enforcement officer in Marion?

A: My biggest priority right now is keeping the city clean and working with property owners to ensure they meet community standards. I love Marion and I want visitors and residents to see the city at its finest. I want visitors to see what a wonderful town this is and want to bring their business here.

Q: What are the most common code infractions in Marion?

A: Excessive weed growth and improperly

contained rubbish are the most common infractions. We ask that everyone keep their yards and homes maintained to keep the city vibrant and presented at its best. We always want to strive for no code infractions.

Q: How does the city enforce its codes?

A: First time offenders will usually receive a warning and be given an allotted time for the violation to be resolved. If the violation has not been taken care of in the allotted time frame, then a citation will be sent with the appropriate fine(s). We understand hardships and busy work schedules so we try and work with people as best we can.

Q: Is there an appeal process for individuals accused of code infractions? If so, how does it work?

A: With every warning and citation sent, a letter explaining the violation in detail is attached, as are pictures of the violation and a copy of the code or zoning ordinance which has been violated. If anyone has any questions regarding their specific violation, they are welcome to call or come in and discuss it with me at City Hall, and we can work toward a resolution.

Letters

POLICY

The Crittenden Press accepts and encourages letters to the editor on a variety of subjects. Letters should be submitted by 5 p.m., Friday the week before publication. Submissions must include only the author's name (no multiple names or groups), address, including hometown, phone number and signature. Phone numbers will not be published. They are for our records only in order to authenticate a letter's author. Letters should be written in good taste and in most cases should not exceed 300 words. Letters will be edited for spelling and grammar and The Crittenden Press reserves the right to reject or edit letters for clarity, brevity and otherwise at our discretion. Writers should limit their letters to no more than one per month. Original copies of submitted letters will be retained in our files. Letters may be presented at our office, sent to P.O. Box 191, Marion, Ky., 42064 or preferably emailed to us at thepress@the-press.com.

Cemetery needs help

To the Editor:

Cemetery maintenance and upkeep depends on donations received from family members, as well as from concerned individuals who have an interest in preserving the heritage of the families who settled our county and town. Many of the older and seldom-used cemeteries have fewer donors and, therefore, fewer funds to manage the maintenance.

The Pilot Knob Cemetery is one of those cemeteries. It is difficult to raise donations from those who never knew their ancestors that are buried there. Contributions are down for 2021, and there are insufficient funds to keep the cemetery mowed through the mowing season. Therefore, regular maintenance has been discontinued for this year. I want to thank all the supporters who made donations this year. Every contribution is very much appreciated. Hope is high for fundraising before next spring.

Known for 100 years as the Fowler Cemetery, the Pilot Knob Cemetery dates from at least 1816. That is the year that Stephenson Fowler died. The cemetery was on his property, and deed and plat records show it near his house. He is surely buried there, even though he has no marked tombstone. Stephenson Fowler was sheriff of Livingston County, and a prominent citizen in the early years of Livingston County. His home and cemetery fell into Crittenden County when it was created in 1842, and the cemetery became a burial ground for residents of the area in addition to Fowler's family. Stephenson Fowler has descendants living in Crittenden County today.

Glen Leslie
Marion, Ky.



Author Todd Carr from Hardin County, Ill., led a discussion last week at Crittenden County Public Library about frontier river pirates that operated in and around Cave In Rock. His presentation was the latest event in a three-month series called Ferry Tales, which is sponsored by the library and tourism commissions, heritage councils and historical societies in Crittenden and Hardin counties. For more information about this series, visit the library in Marion. Carr's book, "Cave In Rock River Pirates and Outlaws," is also available at the library.

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OUR MEMORIES GO BACK TO 1879

50 YEARS AGO

October 7, 1971
■ Mattoon 4-H Club members elected Tracy Winders king and Kristie Young queen. Officers elected at their meeting included Gary McConnell, president; Vicky Trowbridge, vice-president; Ricky Elder, secretary-treasurer and Fonda Quertermous, reporter.
■ Distance runners at Crittenden County High School captured wins at two meets and took second place in another. In the previous three meets, sophomore James Willoughby placed first leading his Rocket running mates.
■ County Judge John W. Chandler officially proclaimed Oct. 3-9 as National 4-H Week in Crittenden County.

25 YEARS AGO

October 10, 1996
■ Californian Rosalind Hills opened the Marion Inn Bed and Breakfast.
■ Barbara Myers of WMJL presented Myrle Dunning, Merle Myers and Barbara Vaughn with a bouquet and gift certificates from Conrad's and Sureway as winners of the Crittenden County Homemaker Bake-Off.
■ Crittenden County native Judy Woodring was elected by the National Forensics Association to serve on the Lincoln/Douglas Debate Committee. This committee determined the national debate team topic as well as the rules for the 1997 college debate season.
■ Crittenden County High School Chorus students attended and participated in the annual First District Choral Festival even held in the Curris Center at Murray State University. Crittenden County students participating were Reta Baker, Jennifer Driver, Melissa Jenkins, Shawn Vandevender, Chrystal Stone, Melinda Tinsley,

Kristy Walker, Shannon Joyce, Rodney Stinnett and Ricky White.
■ Golfers Michele Stone and Kayla Hardin qualified for the state golf tournament.
■ Tabi Morris finished fourth in the middle school division of the Webster County Cross Country Invitational. The Lady Rocket runner posted a time of 14:30 on the two-mile course.
■ Sanders "Cotton" LeFan of Dycusburg was inducted into the Trail Riders Hall of Fame. He received the Outstanding Trail Rider award at the ninth annual National Trail Ride and Wagon Train Association Convention.

10 YEARS AGO

October 6, 2011
■ Jeremiah Foster, 5, harvested his first deer with a crossbow.
■ The Crittenden County third and fourth-grade cheerleaders for 2011 were Sarah Jones, Haley Mathieu, Isabella Holliman, Hannah Faughn, Hailey Belt, Elizabeth Pansano, Taylor Stoner, Anzie Gobin, Jessie Potter, Brittany Davidson, Ellie McGowan, MaKenzie Watson, Kyrion Hicks, Amanda Estes, Taylor Koerner, Matthia Long, Cortne Curnel, Jaylin Blackburn, Jenna Potter, Charity Conyer, Hannah Bell, Cameron Howard, Kenlee McDaniel, Lily Gardner, Kirsten DeBoe, Josie Grimes, Morgan Barnes, Emma Stoner, Shelby Brown, Jaelyn Duncan, Loren Morris, Jaycie Driver, Caitlyn Riley and Audrey Croft.
■ The Crittenden County fifth and sixth-grade cheerleaders were Trista Reddick, Madison Conger, Baileah Barnes, Caitlyn Lynch, Daelynn Hardon, Mayce Simpkins, MaKenzie Simpkins, Christina McMackin, Shea Martin, Megan Tabor, RheaVynn Tabor and Kendra Franklin.

Corn maze benefits charities; event is open through October

The community corn maze on the north side of town is open and all proceeds benefit a variety of local charities and booster clubs. The maze is located on Pippin Park Blvd., in Industrial Park North. Cost is \$3. It is open 4 p.m., to dark weekdays, 10 a.m., to dark on Saturdays and 2 p.m., to dark on Sundays. Below is a listing of the groups that will benefit on particular days that the maze is open. Support your favorite group.

- Oct 7 MHR Animal Shelter
- Oct 8 Talons travel softball
- Oct 9 MHR Animal Shelter and Talons travel softball
- Oct 10 CCHS baseball
- Oct 11 MHR Animal Shelter
- Oct 12 Project Graduation
- Oct 13 Project Graduation
- Oct 14 CCHS FFA
- Oct 15 Life in Christ youth
- Oct 16 Archery club
- Oct 17 CC Youth Soccer
- Oct 18 MHR Animal Shelter
- Oct 19 CCHS FFA

- Oct 20 Charity of Choice
- Oct 21 MHR Animal Shelter
- Oct 22 Youth Rodeo
- Oct 23 CCHS FFA and 4H
- Oct 24 CCMS football
- Oct 25 MHR Animal Shelter
- Oct 26 Charity of Choice
- Oct 27 CCHS PTO
- Oct 28 Archery Club
- Oct 29 CCHS cheerleaders
- Oct 30 CCHS cheerleaders and 4-H Club
- Oct 31 Archery Club

DEADLINE TO BE ON BALE TRAIL IS LATE THIS WEEK

Deadline is approaching to have a fall feature in the Crittenden County Bale Trail. The University of Kentucky Extension Service is coordinating the program again this year and deadline to register your site on the official map is this Friday, Oct. 8.
Trail maps will be available Oct. 16 and voting for the best site will be done on the Extension Service Facebook page. Register by emailing crittenden.ext@uky.edu.

CLASSY & GRASSY AND RESTAURANT RAISE MONEY FOR FAMILY

A benefit concert Friday by Classy and Grassy at Hometown Foods raised \$4,500 for the Collyer family. The local entertainers performed and the restaurant provided a meal. Contributions were accepted for the young adult children of Kim and Stacy Collyer, who both



passed away recently, just days apart, from COVID-19.

CITY COUNCIL MAKES BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Marion City Council met in special session Tuesday evening to confirm the reappointment of individuals to a couple of municipal leadership committees.
Reappointed to a three-year term of the Marion Code Enforcement Board was Barbara Browning. Reappointed to a new four-year term on the Marion Planning and Zoning Commission were Paul Belt and Ray Agent.

In between issues of the newspaper turn to The Press Online for breaking news

SOLAR FARMS BUDDING SOON IN CALDWELL AND LYON COUNTIES

Three renewable energy companies are on the cusp of building large solar farms in nearby counties.
Ashwood Solar I will likely be the first to break ground and it could come as early as December. The 1,506-acre solar farm will be located south of Fredonia off U.S. 641, near the Western Kentucky Correction Complex. The company has received preliminary approval to construct an 86-megawatt alternating current photovoltaic electric generating facility in Lyon County.
Two more solar farms are in the process of acquiring permits and Public Service Commission approval. Caldwell Solar seeks to open a 3,060-acre facility and Golden Solar Project seeks to build an 800-acre farm. Both of those are in Caldwell County off KY 91 between Fredonia and Crider.



Students and staff of Crittenden County Schools were honored Sept. 28 during the monthly school board meeting with the district's Rocket Way students and employees of the month honors. Pictured are (clockwise from top left) upper elementary honoree Charlie Rogers; kindergartener Presley Asbridge; CCHS honoree Carly Towery; CCMS honoree Layken Gilchrist; instructional assistant Kathy Maynard and CCMS Principal Kara Turley.

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THANK YOU

The Crittenden County Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank everyone who participated in the golf scramble on Sept. 11 at Deer Lakes Golf Course.

A special thank to all the hole sponsors and door prize sponsors.

NOTICE

We will be **CLOSED** **Mon., Oct. 11** In Observance Of **Columbus Day**

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Fredonia Valley Bank
www.fredoniavalleybank.com

HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY

NOTICE

Crittenden County tax bills will be available for payment in the Crittenden County Sheriff's Office October 1, 2021 by mail or online. If you have not received your tax bill by the first week in October please call the office and let us know.

When paying in person or by mail, please include your bill number on your check to ensure that the proper bill will be credited. If you would like a paid receipt please bring in your bill so it can be stamped paid when paying in person, and if paying by mail please include your bill along with a self addressed stamped envelope for the return of the receipt.

Also note there is a 911 fee on your bill this year. This fee is not subject to discount or penalty.

	STARTING DATE	ENDING DATE
2% Discount	10/1/2021	- 11/1/2021
Face Amount	11/2/2021	- 12/31/2021
5% Penalty	1/1/2022	- 1/31/2022

What you can't see

We would occasionally play a game at the dinner table. I would pick up a bottle of ketchup (for example) and ask, "How many people did it take to get this ketchup to us?"

We would start with the obvious – the farmer and tomato pickers, the grocery store employees. Later we would get to those like the people who mined the metals to make the axels for the trucks that carried the tomatoes, material for the bottles, and ketchup to the places they needed to go. Of course, the answer was impossible to even estimate. What we did learn was to appreciate all the different jobs it takes to make something so simple as a bottle of ketchup on our table possible. Each one of those jobs represented a person and a family like ours.

Another game we would play would be to ask what needed to happen for us to flip a switch and the lights come on. We could then talk about all the things in the house that we can't see as well as all the people needed to make something amazingly complex as simple as flipping a switch.

Our physical lives are full of infrastructure, all that stuff underground or hidden behind beautiful or at least respectable façades, that make driving, shopping, cooking, banking, and learning much easier and more efficient than it would be otherwise.

It would drive us to distraction if we thought about what we can't see every time we did something. That is the nature of infrastructure. It is built so that we do not have to think about it, until the road gets a pothole, or the power goes out.

Good infrastructure makes life flow and reduces friction that slows us down. Poor infrastructure creates stress, delays,

and expense. But it is not cheap. Depending upon the project it takes years of planning and building – which is why we often complain about the years it takes to build or improve roads.

There are other things we can't see as well. The obvious are those things that we miss because we are not looking. Those devices that we still call phones have made it nearly impossible for some people to see even what is right in front of them. There is a cost to this for

all of us.

There are also those things we can't see because we have not trained our eyes to see them. Do we see a rock face, or geological history? Do we see a goal scored in soccer, or do we see the build up and strategy that made it possible? Do we see a Bible in English, or do we see the years of study and discussion that made it easy for us to access?

The world is overwhelmingly full of beauty and terror for those eyes that have the interest to learn to see. The world is amazingly complex even in the simplest of plants or animal interactions. The first clear word a human being says takes months at a minimum. And full coherent sentences take years of listening and watching and care.

Our spiritual lives are no different in this way than our physical surroundings. Think of our spiritual lives as our infrastructure. These are the hidden things that determine how well we function in the physical world. If the infrastructure is sound life has a flow and rhythm to it that makes doing the right things easier. There will be storms that do damage, but a solid foundation and infrastructure can be built to withstand most storms.

There is a price. It takes time and discipline. It takes doing massive

amounts of digging and preparation that few will see or appreciate – until the storm hits. What others cannot see are the most important things we will do.

This is what Jesus said at the conclusion of "The Sermon on the Plain" in Luke 6:43-49. "The good man out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil man out of his evil treasure produces evil; for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks. "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you? Every one who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: he is like a man building a house, who dug deep, and laid the foundation upon rock; and when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house, and could not shake it, because it had been well built. But he who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation; against which the stream broke, and immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

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Local Events & News

■ 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.

■ 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.

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

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

Does your group have something planned? Let us know. We will post it here at no charge.

Email to thepress@the-press.com or call (270) 965-3191

Christ wants us to tell others about Him

Question: I know Christ asked His followers to tell others about Him, but I hesitate to do so. I'm afraid I'll be rejected or that I offend someone. How can I share Him with others more easily?

Answer: Like many, I often find talking to others about Jesus is a challenge. It's not comfortable sharing Him with people who are focused on "having it my way" in a "do whatever pleases you" world. Many don't want to make any lifestyle changes. Even though that is often true, Jesus gave His followers this commission--"Go and make disciples" (Matt. 28:19).

With His commission, He gave us the responsibility and the privilege of sharing

ASK the PASTOR
By Bob Hardison

with others how they can be reconciled with God through Christ. His sacrificial death paid for our sin-debt and gives us eternal life, but it's not automatic. People must turn from sin and place their faith in Christ as their Savior and Lord.

To overcome our fear and hesitancy to talk to others

about Him, Christ gave us His authority (Matt. 18:18) and abiding presence (Matt. 18:20). So, give your fear over to God and depend on His presence through the indwelling Holy Spirit to help you. Then, be bold and just ask someone "Has anyone told you Jesus loves you? He does and I just wanted to let you know." If the person is open to your sharing, tell him more of how "Jesus saves!"

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

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Saturday, Oct. 16 • 9 a.m.
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TRUCKS/AUTOMOBILES/RECREATIONAL
1990 Ford Ranger XLT PU, 1997 Chevy 2500 Extended Cab 4x4 PU, 1994 GMC 3500 Single Wheel 4 x 4 – 4 Door PU, Toyota 4 x 4 PU, Yamaha Gas Golf Cart, 14 Ft. John Boat w/Trailer, Mounted Smoker on Wheels

TRACTORS/FARM EQUIPMENT/TRAILERS
1953 Jubilee Ford Tractor, Ford 9N Tractor, Massey Ferguson 250 Tractor, John Deere 4010 Tractor w/Koyker Front End Loader, Bucket, and Hay Spear, Case 580K Back Hoe 4 WD Extend a hole, Case W14 Loader, Bobcat 963 Skid Loader, 7 Ft. 3 Pt. Hitch Bush Hog, 6 Ft. 3 Pt. Hitch Bush Hog Brand Bush Hog, New Holland Hayliner 280 Square Hay Baler, New Holland 256 Hay Rake, John Deere 7000 – 6 Row Corn Planter w/splitters and wet kit, IH 720 5 Bottom Plow, Cultivator for Super C, Woods 6 Ft. Finishing Mower, 20+5 GN 14KTrailer w/3 Ramps, 5 x 10 Trailer, 12 ft. GN Stock Trailer w/Title, 20 Ft. GN Stock Trailer, 25 Ft. FB Trailer – 18000 lbs. 3 Axles, Donahue Trailer, Equipment Trailer, 3 Pt. Hitch Carry All

LAWN MOWERS/HANDTOOLS/MISCELLANEOUS
Bush Hog ZT22 60" Zero Turn Mower w/New Motor, JD LX 279 Riding Lawn Mower, Yard Machine Gas Powered Chipper/Shredder, DR Walk Behind Trimmer, Lincoln 225 Stick Welder, Chicago Electric Mig 151 Welder, Craftsman 4200 Watt Generator, Portable Concrete Mortar Mixer, Campbell Hausfeld Upright Air Compressor, Cyclone Model S Chain Hoist, Hay Rings, Hay Forks, Chain Saws, (4) Phoenix Agri Products 3 Ton Creep Feeders, 3 Small LP Tanks, Numerous other LP Tanks, 72" Bucket, Large collection of cast iron cookware, Large Assortment of Fishing Rods, Case XX Wrist Watch, Lots of hand tools, and much more.

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860 S. Main St.
Marion, Ky.
(270) 965-2477
Father John Okoro

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175 Mexico Rd.
(270) 965-4059
MexicoBaptist.org
Minister of Music Mike Crabtree
Pastor: Tim Burdon
Sunday/Worship Services: 10 a.m., 7 p.m.
Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.

DEER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor: Bro. Chris Cummins
Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Approx. 5 miles from the intersection of Hwy. 60 & Hwy. 297
Phone: (270) 965-2220

Emmanuel Baptist Church

108 Hillcrest Dr., Marion | (270) 965-4623
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Adult Bible Study, Children and Youth Activities: 6 p.m.
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The People of The United Methodist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Youth 6:30 p.m.

Barnett Chapel General Baptist

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Barnett Chapel Rd., Marion, Ky.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 6 p.m.
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Freedom General Baptist Church

Pastor: Ross Abwell
87 Freedom Church Rd., Marion
(about 1 mi. from Marion off Ky. 91)
CHURCH TIMES:
Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 6 p.m.

Alarion Baptist Church

College & Depot streets, Marion • (270) 965-5232
Pastor: Bro. Aaron Brown • Children's & Youth Pastor: Bro. Shawn Holeman
SUNDAY CHURCH TIMES:
8:30 a.m. Coffee Juice Fellowship • 8:45 a.m. Sunday School • 10 a.m. Morning Worship
6 p.m. Youth Bible Study • 6 p.m. Evening Worship
WEDNESDAY CHURCH TIMES: 6 p.m. Prayer/Devotional Service • 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Practice

SEVEN SPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

219 Seven Springs Rd., Marion, Ky. 42064
Sun. School for all ages: 10 a.m.
Sun. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m.
Bro. Austin Weist, pastor
- We are an Independent Baptist Church seeking to know Christ and to make Him known to the community around us -

Crayne Community Church

Crayne Cemetery Road, Crayne, Ky.
Bro. James Driver, Interim Pastor
Sunday Worship 9 a.m.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.

growing in grace
2 Peter 3:18
PLEASANT GROVE General Baptist Church
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334 Fords Ferry Road, Marion, Ky.
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Sun. Evening 6 p.m. • Wed. Evening 6 p.m.
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Lucy Tedrick, pastor

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Speaker: Greg Rushing
School 10 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Bible study 6 p.m.
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Sun. School: 10 a.m. | Sun. Worship: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Alarion United Methodist Church

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The People of the United Methodist Church
WED.: Bible Study 5:30 p.m.
SUN: Sun. School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:45 p.m.
Bro. David COMBS
South College St.

Frances Community Church

Bro. Butch Gray
Wed. night prayer meeting
& youth service: 6:30 p.m.
Sunday school: 10 a.m.
Worship service: 11 a.m.

Hurricane Church
Hurricane Church Rd. off Ky. 135 West
Pastor: Bro. Danny Hincee
Sun. School, 10 a.m. • Worship, 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening services, 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening services, 7 p.m.

Unity General Baptist Church

4691 U.S. 641 • Crayne, Ky.
Barry Hix, pastor • (270) 365-5836 or (270) 625-1248
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Night Service 6 p.m.

Marion Church of Christ

546 West Elm Street • (270) 965-9450
Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.
- The end of your search for a friendly church -



Self Defense Mode

High school health and physical education teacher Denis Hodge appears to be in a troubled spot during a demonstration last week at Rocket Arena. Crittenden County High School students were learning a lesson in self defense that was led by school resource officer John Shoffner. Students are on fall break this week. Classes resume on Tuesday.

Airport dedication, open house draws large crowd despite rain

STAFF REPORT Marion-Crittenden County James C. Johnson Regional Airport was christened Saturday, Oct. 2 with an open house and formal ceremony to rebrand the facility, naming it for longtime airport board chairman Jim Johnson.

Federal, state and local dignitaries were part of the ceremony, including Congressman James Comer. “This is the nicest small airport in the 35 counties in my First Congressional District,” said U.S. Rep. Comer. “Having a 5,000-foot runway is significant because of the types of aircraft that can use the airport.”

In addition to Comer, speakers at the 75-minute ceremony inside a large hangar attached to the terminal were Mark Carter, Kentucky commissioner of aviation; Todd Bloch, a U.S. Coast Guard retiree; Amanda Davenport, executive director of the Lake Barkley Partnership, a regional economic development group; state Rep. Lynn Bechler and Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom, who was master of ceremonies. Also attending was state Sen. Robby Mills.

Bloch pointed out that Kentucky’s number one export is not bourbon or race horses, it’s aviation and aerospace products. In fact, he said Kentucky was second in the nation to Washington state before the pandemic.

All of those who spoke lauded Johnson’s vision and leadership over the



Local boys Owen Copp, 11; Hunter Copp, 8; and Wyatt Copp, 7; pose for a picture from the cockpit of an airplane Saturday at the airport’s open house while grandmother Gaylene Berleue records the event on her smartphone.

past 30 years, helping the airport evolve from a grass strip to a modern aviation facility, thanks in large part to more than \$10 million in funding from federal, state and local sources.

Johnson said his wife, Amy, was a big part of the success story. He described her as always prepared to have an extra dinner plate for pilots or travelers who were laying over at the terminal, which is virtually in the couple’s front yard on Airport Road in Marion.

Although steady rainfall hampered some of the planned attractions at the open house, the event was well attended by more than 100 people.



Jim Johnson said many individuals played key roles in developing the airport, particularly his wife Amy.

Regional driver testing site now in Madisonville

STAFF REPORT A new regional driver testing branch has opened at Madisonville. Residents of Hopkins, Crittenden and other surrounding counties should take note of the new regional location in order to make an appointment prior to arrival.

Kentucky State Police last week began offering driver testing at the KYTC Regional Drivers Licensing Office – located at 56 Federal Street – for residents of Caldwell, Crittenden, Hopkins, McLean, Muhlenberg and Webster counties.

Appointments are available Monday through Friday and can be made online by visiting KSP’s website. Residents must make an appointment prior to arrival for a permit, driver or commercial driver license test.

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The DPP (Diabetic Prevention Program) will begin at 2 p.m., October 12 at Salem Baptist Church, Salem, Ky.

Take the assessment, if the score is 5 or higher you need to attend the meetings, which are FREE at this time.

Prediabetes Risk Test

1. How old are you?

Younger than 40 years (0 points)
40-49 years (1 point)
50-59 years (2 points)
60 years or older (3 points)

2. Are you a man or a woman?

Man (1 point) Woman (0 points)

3. If you are a woman, have you ever been diagnosed with gestational diabetes?

Yes (1 point) No (0 points)

4. Do you have a mother, father, sister, or brother with diabetes?

Yes (1 point) No (0 points)

5. Have you ever been diagnosed with high blood pressure?

Yes (1 point) No (0 points)

6. Are you physically active?

Yes (0 points) No (1 point)

7. What is your weight category?

(See chart at right)

Write your score in the boxes below

Height	Weight (lbs.)		
4'10"	119-142	143-190	191+
4'11"	124-147	148-197	198+
5'0"	128-152	153-203	204+
5'1"	132-157	158-210	211+
5'2"	136-163	164-217	218+
5'3"	141-168	169-224	225+
5'4"	145-173	174-231	232+
5'5"	150-179	180-239	240+
5'6"	155-185	186-246	247+
5'7"	159-190	191-254	255+
5'8"	164-196	197-261	262+
5'9"	169-202	203-269	270+
5'10"	174-208	209-277	278+
5'11"	179-214	215-285	286+
6'0"	184-220	221-293	294+
6'1"	189-226	227-301	302+
6'2"	194-232	233-310	311+
6'3"	200-239	240-318	319+
6'4"	205-245	246-327	328+
1 Point		2 Points	3 Points

You weigh less than the 1 Point column (0 points)

Total score:

If you scored 5 or higher

You are at increased risk for having prediabetes and are at high risk for type 2 diabetes. However, only your doctor can tell for sure if you have type 2 diabetes or prediabetes, a condition in which blood sugar levels are higher than normal but not high enough yet to be diagnosed as type 2 diabetes. Talk to your doctor to see if additional testing is needed.

If you are African American, Hispanic/Latino American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian American, or Pacific Islander, you are at higher risk for prediabetes and type 2 diabetes. Also, if you are Asian American, you are at increased risk for type 2 diabetes at a lower weight (about 15 pounds lower than weights in the 1 Point column). Talk to your doctor to see if you should have your blood sugar tested.

You can reduce your risk for type 2 diabetes

Find out how you can reverse prediabetes and prevent or delay type 2 diabetes through a CDC-recognized lifestyle change program at <https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/prevention/lifestyle-program>.

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Not provided by the American Diabetes Association and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Defending the Ford family. Outlaw or not?

There is an old saying, “There are two sides to every story.” This is an interesting article telling the other side of the James Ford family story by Mrs. Augusta Ford Andrews, great-granddaughter of James Ford.

Mrs. Andrew thinks the Fords were already wealthy enough from family inheritance, so there was no need to rob and steal.

Here is her side of the story.



Brenda Underdown
County Historian

Forgotten Passages

commission as Captain of Militia under Ninian Edwards, Governor of the Provinces of Kaskaskia, the original of which is now in the Archives of the Daughters of 1812 in Washington, D. C.

James Ford was indeed appointed by Gov. Edwards to be Captain of Militia Jan. 2, 1810 along with John Lacey, William Simpson, Hamlet Ferguson and Alsolon Cox.

James Ford had been captain in 1801 in the 24th Regiment of the Kentucky State Militia in Livingston County and William Simpson was lieutenant in the same regiment at the same time. Hamlet Ferguson was major in the same regiment in 1802. These captains' names are meaningful to those who know old-time Livingston County's history,

Mrs. Andrews stated James Ford had inherited wealth and this is a matter of record; Philip Ford (father of James Ford) died in South Carolina and his will indicated he was wealthy and young James Ford was one of the heirs.

James Ford also attained the rank of Major in the Fourth Regiment of Militia Nov. 28, 1811 (this is shown in "The Territorial Records of Illinois" by Prof. Edmund J. James.) The same records also show Elizabethtown's, in Hardin County, Ill., Lewis Barker, Asa Ledbetter and James McFarlin served in the 4th, under Major Ford as officers of lesser rank.

The same Territorial Records show James Ford was commissioned Justice of the Peace in 1809. As justice, Captain and Major, James Ford was assuredly one of southern Illinois' leading citizens in that area lying along the Ohio.

James Ford in early life had wealth, community position of respect, civil leader and high militia rank while an Illinois Territorial resident.

Mrs. Andrews wrote that sons James and Philip Ford were in com-

stant war with the River Pirates. The River Pirates appeared as honest farmers during the day but murderous robbers at night. She also wrote that the pirates drowned her grandfather Philip Ford and shot her great-grandfather Major James Ford.

The murders of the Fords, according to Mrs. Andrews's and those versions told as tradition (that which is handed down), might appear as isolated events, yet an overview of what was going on in the area before and after these murders presents a picture showing the Ford murders but the curtain raiser for the anarchical Regulator War that permeated the lower Ohio Valley area during the 1830s.

During this time, Regulars became as cruel as the outlaws they had initially set out to control. The Regulars soon got out of control becoming tyrannical, often under the guise of being good guy Regulars they settled personal grievances.

The war embroiled Kentuckians and Illinoisans and it took several years before peace and quiet again prevailed. The largest amount of data about this war is a portfolio on deposit at the Illinois State Historical Library, its unpublished manuscripts were collected by Sec. Of State, Alexander Rose, a native of Pope County. These manuscripts name descendants who lived in the area; this aspect of the area's history has been rather relegated into the realm of hush-hush and perhaps that is the way it should be for what good does using the tar-brush on 130 years past events do? Publication of such could now hurt and embarrass innocent descendants of the area with the same surnames.

However, the traditions of skeletons in the Ford's closet have long been rattled; this assuredly, in all fairness, gives Mrs. Andrews a right to "her say" and defend her family which she has done with clues to research that places her version

nearer to the realm of family history rather than family tradition.

Mrs. Andrew's statement about river pirates implies there was, during Major James Ford's time, a predatory group in the area; a plundering, robbing, murderous group that was antagonistic to the Fords. They were a gang of horse thieves, burglars, robbers and counterfeiters.

Futhermore, those outlaws, known as the Sturdevant gang, were centered but across the river from the Ford properties. Their fort was situated on the heights of the Ohio's right bank; the gang's vulturous position on the right bank's heights afforded them an excellent view of the area's prosperous planter there in the bottoms of the river's left bank between Deer Creek and Kirksville (Tolu).

Also, their covetous eyes had a good view of Philip Ford's horses and cattle on the Kentucky shore and on Hurricane Island.

This gang of outlaws liked to rob the more affluent families within the region, and Justice James Ford's affluence in addition to his duties as a law enforcement official would place Ford in a position of opposition to the gang.

Also the wealthy Ford, Justice of the peace was known to loan money and served the area as a sort of banker. Ford collected interest of a high rate and interest collectors have never throughout history really been winners of popularity contests.

James Ford's name does not appear connected with the Sturdevant gang in any sources cited. Mrs. Andrews defended the Ford family's name, and at the same time revealed that the historians of the area in order to get the area's history, need an overall view of events that occurred before and after the murder of Major Ford from both sides of the Ohio.

Outlaw or Not - In summing up, one can

make the case that Ford was a victim of his own success. Because he had excess money that he lent to individuals at interest and the hard times in the 1820s and 1830s had made the repayment of that money difficult, he was a threat to many families.

aThe many lawsuits filed by Ford to collect overdue loans indicates the extent of the problem. In the Regulators were many men who owed Ford money and their families were threatened with the loss of everything they owned. This threat plus the unpopularity of his sons gave the Regulators their motive to murder him and make him as the mysterious and hated outlaw of the time.

Mrs. Augusta Ford Andrews' father, Francis "Frank" Ford, son of Phillip Ford, who is buried in the Ford Cemetery, died Dec. 13, 1897 in Covington, Ky. I have found no information on how from his birth home here in Crittenden County he got to be in Covington, Ky. His obituary in the Covington newspaper says "Mr. Ford was born in Crittenden County, Ky. and was a typical cultured Kentucky gentleman, honored and esteemed alike in the social as well as in the business world. He was a se-

nior member of the firm of Ford, Eaton & Co, one of the largest wholesale groceries in the city, and a Director of the First National Bank. He was a graduate of Princeton College at Bardstown, Ky., a lover of literature and thoroughly conversant with national or affairs of interest to his home city. He was one of the senior member of Trinity Church, faithful in the discharge of his religious views. He leaves a devoted widow and three daughters.

In the end do we find James Ford as an outlaw, or just a victim of legend and lore ? But fascinating history in any event.

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

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Notice is hereby given that on September 29, 2021, Ashley Anne Collyer of 2163 Copperas Springs Rd., Marion, KY 42064 and Cruce Aaron Collyer of 1312 Claud Belt Rd., Salem, KY 42078 were appointed co-administrators of Alecia Kim Collyer, deceased, whose address was 535 Youth Camp Rd., Marion, KY 42064. Hon. Robert Frazer, P.O. Box 361, Marion, KY 42064, attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the co-administrators on or before the 29th day of March, 2022, and all claims not so proven by that date shall be forever barred.

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Reardon, 115 E. Second St., Suite 100, Owensboro, KY., attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the co-administrators on or before the 29th day of March, 2022, and all claims not so proven by that date shall be forever barred.

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The foregoing settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court Nov. 10, 2021. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once.

Melissa Guill, Crittenden District Court (1t-40-c)

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Homecoming Court

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County judge says check your home garbage bill

STAFF REPORT
Residential customers of GFL Environmental, the home garbage collection company, should pay particular attention to their recent bills.
Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the company has erroneously charged an Energy Recovery Charge.
“If any of you have residential collection at your home please take a look at your bill received the first part of September and see if your bill included such a charge. This charge is not allowed per the current contract we are under and I have made (GFL) aware of this fact,” Newcom said. “They are now asking me to collect account numbers that would indicate this extra charge so they can trace why this has occurred”
Newcom said that according to the county’s agreement with GFL, the residential quarterly charge should be \$54. Some residents were charged \$64.03, Newcom explains.
The county judge said a credit should be forthcoming for customers who paid the bill with the extra charge.

Schools pivot to local hospital for testing

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County Schools amended its Test2Stay plan last Thursday, voting to contract with Crittenden Community Hospital to offer COVID-19 screening to staff and students.
Earlier last week, the board voted to partner with a Louisville laboratory to perform rapid tests on interested individuals in an effort to keep students in school if they test negative for COVID-19.
Previously, individuals potentially exposed to COVID-19 were sent home for a mandatory quarantine.
Under Test2Stay, staff and students may test negative each morning for six days and continue to remain in school.
Only a positive test

would require quarantine.
Test2Stay begins the week of Oct. 18. Tests are administered at Crittenden Hospital beginning at 7 a.m., daily.
The tests are optional and performed at no cost to students and staff.
“The schools are pleased to partner with Crittenden Community Hospital for our Test2Stay program,” said School Board Chairman Chris Cook. “Our local hospital offers several advantages over other options including a rapid PCR test (which eliminates retesting for those who test positive), testing at the hospital (which prevents potentially positive students and staff from being on our campus) and the opportunity to work with a local, responsive long-term partner.”
Under the Test2Stay plan, staff and students who have parental con-

sent will undergo a nasal swab at the hospital then be accepted at school as long as they provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test.
The goal of the program is to keep kids and staff in school rather than issuing a blanket quarantine requirement for all individuals potentially exposed to the virus as a result of a close-contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19.
“We are coming up on 500 quarantines this year, and we know that affects learning as well as parents who work and need to find something do with kids who are sent home,” explained Diana Lusby, the school’s director of pupil personnel.
Administrators say the Test2Stay option will eliminate a lot of undue quarantines and missed instructional time.

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MARION POLICE activity report

Data below provided by Marion Police Department compare police activity for the month of September 2021 to the same month in 2020. The chart also includes the previous month's totals, year-to-date police activity totals and a five-year monthly average.

CATEGORY	SEPT 2021	SEPT 2020	AUG 2021	2021 YR TOTAL	MONTHLY 5 YR AVG.
Miles driven/patrolled	3,076	3,013	4,278	30,967	2288.5
Criminal investigations	10	2	9	101	11.1
Domestics	9	1	11	78	6.8
Felony Arrests	1	0	3	51	3.3
Misdemeanor arrests	6	2	5	69	6.7
Non-criminal arrests	9	3	13	61	5.4
DUI arrests	1	0	1	7	0.6
Criminal summons served	0	1	1	16	2.0
Traffic citations	18	6	19	190	14.4
Other citations	8	6	20	171	15.3
Traffic warnings	6	0	7	47	6.6
Parking tickets	1	0	0	3	0.1
Traffic accidents	6	5	1	53	4.5
Security checks/alarms	35	46	41	343	44.1
Calls for service	177	140	167	1,542	152.9



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Trick or Treat on Main will be Oct. 29

Marion’s Trick or Treat on Main Street will return to downtown late this month. Plans are for the event to be held on Friday, Oct. 29 from 3 p.m., until 5 p.m.

For more information, call the Marion Welcome Center at 270-965-5015. The Tourism, Recreation and Convention Bureau is organizing the event.

Also, through October, the community corn maze is open in Industrial Park North. It is open 4 p.m., to dark on weekdays, 10 to dark on Saturday and 2 to dark on Sunday.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CCHS Schedule

FRIDAY
Varsity football at Trigg County

MONDAY
Soccer at Union County

TUESDAY
Soccer hosts Hopkinsville

FOOTBALL

Friday night tickets

Tickets for Friday night's varsity football game at Trigg County will be available beginning Friday morning at [Go.TicketsPicket.com](#). The process is a bit different than most other online sales programs. For this game, eTickets will be texted to the phone number of the purchaser or the phone number entered at time of purchase. The Crittenden Press plans to broadcast the game live on its YouTube channel. A link to the broadcast will be posted at [RocketsFootball.com](#) on game day.

OUTDOORS

Hunting Seasons

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

Bull Frog	May 21 - Oct. 31
Squirrel	Aug. 21 - Nov. 12
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Deer archery	Sept. 4 - Jan. 17
Turkey archery	Sept. 4 - Jan. 17
Canada goose	Sept. 16 - Sept. 30
Deer crossbow	Sept. 18 - Jan. 17
Turkey crossbow	Oct. 1 - Oct. 17
Raccoon hunt	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Deer youth	Oct. 9-10
Deer muzzleloader	Oct. 16-17
Turkey shotgun	Oct. 23 - Oct. 29
Deer gun	Nov. 13 - Nov. 28
Turkey crossbow	Nov. 13 - Dec. 31
Squirrel	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28
Raccoon trap	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28
Quail	Nov. 15 - Feb. 10
Rabbit	Nov. 15 - Feb. 10
Bobcat trap	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28
Fox hunt/trap	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28
Dove	Nov. 25 - Dec. 5
Duck	Nov. 25 - Nov. 28
Canada goose	Nov. 25 - Feb. 15
Bobcat hunt	Nov. 27 - Feb. 28
Turkey shotgun	Dec. 4 - Dec. 10
Duck	Dec. 7 - Jan. 31
Deer muzzleloader	Dec. 11-19
Dove	Dec. 18 - Jan. 9
Deer youth	Jan. 1-2

DEER HUNTING

Youth hunt this weekend; archery harvest slowing

After averaging about 25 deer per week through the September part of archery deer season, the harvest has slowed a bit over the past few days. Hunters have taken 113 whitetails, including 49 bucks so far during bow season. Youth rifle hunters will get a chance at whitetails this weekend.

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SOCCER

Lady Rockets fall in district tournament; post best season in 6

Despite bowing out of postseason early, the Lady Rockets turned in its best record since 2015.

At one point during the season, CCHS won four out of five games under first-year coach Jessica DeBurgo.

Lyon County ended the girls' season Monday at Eddyville, beating CCHS 5-1 in the opening round of the Fifth District Tournament. Taylor Guess scored Crittenden's only goal. Joslyn Silcox and Hannah Long each had four saves at goal keeper.

In 17 games this season, CCHS won a half dozen and tied one. This season, CCHS scored 48 points, averaging 2.8 goals per game and allowing 3.8 per game. Taylor Guess led the squad in scoring with 19 goals and Elizabeth Campbell was second with nine. Addyson Faughn scored five, Raven Hayes four, Bailey Williams three and five other girls had two or fewer goals.

At goalie this season, Joslyn Silcox and Hannah Long logged most of the minutes, saving 55 and 53 balls, respectively. Guess played periodically at goalie and had 132 saves.



Late Miscue

Bethlehem's Logan McMillan intercepted this pass in front of CCHS's Kaleb Nesbitt, a somewhat controversial fourth-quarter turnover for the Rockets. The game's replay video indicated that the call was likely correct.

Bethlehem 21, Crittenden County 13

Rockets come up short in fourth

STAFF REPORT

By his own admission, Rocket football coach Gaige Courtney had an odd vision in the fourth period. Turns out, it was a virtual mirage.

"I almost felt like we were winning," he said.

Of course CCHS hadn't led the entire way against Bethlehem, the No. 6 team in Class A, Friday night for the homecoming football game at Rocket Stadium. However, Crittenden had indeed turned its guns on the Eagles in the final period and was within striking distance – a couple of times – of posting an upset.

Despite losing 21-13, the Rockets could make a case for the coach's appraisal.

To build their argument, consider these points:

- Crittenden had more first downs than Bethlehem, particularly in the second half when it moved the chains 11 times to the visitor's five.
- The Rockets piled up 340 yards of total offense to Bethlehem's 251.
- Take away an 86-yard touchdown by the Eagles' grass-burner Ladarion Montgomery and a 40-yard scamper by running back Zane Wickliffe and Bethlehem had little to show for its offensive effort.
- On 18 of Bethlehem's 29 running plays, the Eagles were thrown for a loss or gained fewer than three yards.
- Bethlehem's strategy at times, was not typical of a team leading by two touchdowns with just over seven minutes to play. For instance, going for it on fourth-down at midfield, and failing, giving the Rockets life in Eagle territory.

Crittenden's closing argument in the case for that euphoric feeling might rest on the fact that it won the fourth period – which was about the time Coach Courtney had his out-of-body experience. The Rockets, who have been a little late to the party more than once this season, finally got their engine going down the stretch, outscoring the Eagles 13-7 in the final frame. But by then, it was scarcely too late.

A bad break came with 2:45 to play when CCHS, trailing by eight, had rallied its offense and moved deep into Eagle territory. Rocket quarterback Luke Crider threw a sideline pass to a Crittenden receiver but it fell into the hands of an Eagle defensive back who was, by some estimation, already out of

bounds by the time he had possession of the ball. Neither of two nearby officials seemed to have clearly seen the result of the play, yet conferenced for a period then gave the ball to Bethlehem. A post-game review of the video indicated that officials likely got the call right.

Misfortunate it was for the Rockets, but they had missed other opportunities that could have changed the complexion of the game, misfiring three times inside the Bethlehem 30.

Crittenden's defense was stellar for the most part, and Crider had a record-breaking performance, setting a new single-game mark for completions and attempts, and becoming just the third CCHS QB in history to pass for more than 300 yards on a Friday night.

"It seemed like a tale of two games, honestly," said Courtney, whose team falls to 2-4. "It's like we start slow and then we get going. That's kind of been our M.O. I thought the defense played really well all the way around. They just had some big plays that hurt us."

Montgomery, who runs about a 4.4-second 40-yard dash, really put a dagger in the Rockets' heart early in the fourth period when he broke loose after a busted play where the quarterback almost fumbled the ball. Montgomery jetted down the victor's sideline almost the full length of the field for a TD to to give his team a 21-0 lead.

The Rocket defense largely smothered Bethlehem's offense in the second half other than that play. The Eagles, now 5-1, had been averaging more than 40 points per game.

Crittenden won the rest of the final period with two touchdown passes, Crider connecting with seniors Logan Bailey and Brysen Baker for Crittenden's only scoring.

"We have to put a whole game together," Courtney said. "Offensively, you see that we can be really good at times... A lot of guys played well at times, especially in the second half."

Unfortunately, for Coach Courtney and the Rockets, those glimpses of refined waters are turning into mirages – nothing more than dry dessert. Reality checks are on the scoreboard, and the first-year Rocket skipper knows the work is cut out for his team to clear things up. Back at the drawing board, he'll be looking at the rushing game that's all but checked out – save the Hancock game – and the genesis of each

football game.

"For whatever reason we just start slow," he said. "We just have to start faster to put a whole game together to beat a good football team like that. We can't play half of a game and beat these teams. We have good teams all the way through the schedule."

This week, the Rockets play at Trigg County, which lost Friday 49-18 to former Rocket skipper Sean Thompson's Paducah Tilghman. Trigg is now 4-3 on the season. Tilghman is 2-4.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Bethlehem	7	7	0	7
Crittenden	0	0	0	13

SCORING PLAYS

B-Ladarion Montgomery 10 pass (Adam Winkenhofers kick) 6:59, 1st

B-Stone 1 run (Winkenhofers kick) 6:59, 2nd

B-Montgomery 86 run (Winkenhofers kick) 11:44, 4th

C-Logan Bailey 20 pass from Crider (Preston Morgeson kick) 9:10, 4th

C-Brysen Baker 11 pass from Crider (pass failed) 5:33, 4th

TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: CCHS 16, BHS 12

Penalties: CCHS 10-90, BHS 8-80

Rushing: CCHS 27-38, BHS 29-143

Passing: CCHS 27-44-2, 302. BHS 11-31-0, 108

Total Yards: CCHS 340, BHS 251

Fumbles/Lost: CCHS 0-0, BHS 4-1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing

CCHS: Morgeson 17-41, Kaleb Nesbitt 1-(-1), Crider 9-(-2). BHS: Winkenhofers 1-(-21), Martavious Smith 1-1, Zane Wickliffe 12-61, Ladarion Montgomery 6-124, Stone 8-(-22).

Passing

CCHS: Crider 27-44-2, 302. BHS: Stone 11-31-0, 108.

Receiving

CCHS: Morgeson 6-59, Bailey 5-31, Hayden Adamson 1-9, Brysen Baker 8-92, Trace Derrington 2-23, Nesbitt 5-88. BHS: Eli Peake 1-20, Logan Cross 2-23, Montgomery 2-18, Justin Popovich 1-14, Wickliffe 3-30, Hayden Osborne 1-5.

Defense

Coleman Stone 2 solos, 4 assist, TFL; Trace Derrington 2 solos; Dylan Yates 5 solos, 3 assists, 3 TFLs, sack; Logan Bailey 4 solos, 4 assists, fumble recovery; Zech McGahan solo, 3 assists; Sam Impastato 4 solos, 3 assists, sack; Case Gobin 4 solos, 5 assists, TFL, Kaleb Nesbitt solo, assist, TFL; Briley Berry 5 solos, assist; Preston Morgeson 2 solos; Gattin Travis solo.

Players of the Game

Offense Brysen Baker, Defense Dylan Yates and Logan Bailey, Lineman Ben Evans.

Records: Crittenden 2-4, Bethlehem 5-1



Pictured above from left are CCHS's Elizabeth Campbell working against Lyon County defenders; Lady Rocket Hannah Herrington defending a Lyon County shot; Crittenden's Taylor Guess being mugged at midfield and first-year coach Jessica DeBurgo.

VOLLEYBALL

Crittenden sweeps 5th for fourth straight spot at top of district race

Crittenden County wrapped up its fourth straight regular-season Fifth District title on Monday, beating Livingston Central in straight sets at Smithland. CCHS was undefeated this season in four league matchups, two each against Trigg County and Livingston.

The Lady Rockets won the first set 25-23 on Monday then pulled away a bit more in the final two, 25-14 and 25-17.

Crittenden hosted Fort Campbell Tuesday night with a chance to win

its 12th match of the season against just five losses. Two wins this year were COVID cancellations.

The Lady Rockets lost at home to Webster County last Thursday in a closely-contested match, 25-18, 25-22, 25-19.

On the season, Addy Kirby leads the squad in kills with 86 and aces with 31. Carly Porter's nine blocks is best on the club and Jaylee Champion has a squad-leading 102 digs. Riley Smith is the assist leader with 140.

The Lady Rockets will finish up the regular season late next week then begin post-season play. The CCHS girls are ranked fifth in the Second Region in the KHSAA power ratings behind Henderson County, Caldwell County, Madisonville and University Heights. Two of CCHS's losses this year were to Caldwell and one was to Madisonville.



PHOTO BY GREG PERRYMAN

Lady Rocket Jaylee Champion returns the ball during a recent match against Webster County.

GAME DAY



Flag Football & Youth Soccer Fun Times

Flag football for grades K-2 finished up its five-game schedule last weekend. Pictured here is some of the action you could find during those games at Rocket Stadium. Clockwise from top left are Cam Cornwell rushing against Camden Curnel; Tigers running back Zavian Bell (44) racing ahead of would-be flag-grabbers Melina Keller and Josh Walker of the Racers with other Tigers Blake Sitar, Grayson Pritchett, Cannon Winn and Remy Spurlin in the background; Alabama’s Jack Wright trying to get the outside corner on Jaxson Congenie (99); then Congenie shows off his passing arm with a toss to Asher Blake; and Gannon Taylor of the Cardinals tries to find some running room against a pack of Wolverines. Flag football is organized by the Crittenden County Rockets Football Booster Club.



Action recently at Marion-Crittenden County Park included members of the recreational soccer league. In the 6-under division with coaches Todd Perryman and Bethany Hubbard providing instruction were (from left) Elijah Partee, Lynleigh Hubbard, Annalease Maraman, Allie Kirk and a few others.



Jordyn Champion, at right, races toward the soccer ball during 8-under youth sports action recently at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

911

Continued from page 1 these types of details and others, dispatchers will be better informed to help you at a time of need,” reads a line on the form that’s being distributed online in electronic form or in hard copy at the dispatch center.

ter. A link to the form can also be found at The Press Online and the websites produced by the City of Marion and Crittenden County government. Individuals are asked to complete the form and deposit it in the Marion City Hall Drop Box in front of the 911 Dispatching Center or email an

image of the completed form to kdalton@marionky.gov. The information will be kept in the strictest confidence, she said, and used only for dispatching services. “Our database is safe and secure,” Dalton said. Additionally, new 911 addresses are now issued at the

dispatching center instead of at the courthouse where they’ve been provided for many years. Applications are available at the dispatch center. Once an application for a new county address has been made, a field operative will come to take coordinates, which are entered into the

computer mapping system, known as ArcGIS. Dalton also reminds residents and business owners to conspicuously display their 911 address either on a mailbox or on the structure or residence in letters at least three inches tall, and preferably made from reflective material.



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Front Row L to R: Assistant Director of Nursing Jessica Miller, RN and Director of Nursing Jenna Blodgett, RN

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Berry completes term as chairman of Kentucky Banker’s Association

Farmers Bank & Trust Company President and CEO Wade Berry recently presided as chairman over the Kentucky Bankers Association’s 130th annual convention at Asheville, N.C. The convention marked the end of Berry’s 12-month term as chairman of the state’s largest banking association.

The Kentucky Bankers Association (KBA) lists its primary mission as lobbying and advocating for Kentucky’s banks in Frankfort and in Washington D.C. Besides its government relations and industry advocacy role, the KBA is also a provider of key services and education to its members.

The KBA is one of the strongest trade associations in Kentucky and one of the strongest banking associations in the country.

As KBA chairman, Berry has represented the interests of the association’s 151 member banks in meetings with state and federal officials including meetings with Kentucky senators Mitch McConnell and Rand Paul.

In May, Berry led a group of KBA officers, executives and employees on a statewide barnstorming tour meeting with bankers in all nine of Kentucky’s KBA districts.

Speaking of the statewide tour Berry noted, “It’s unbelievable how far it is from western Kentucky to eastern Kentucky. One of our meetings was in Prestonsburg. As the crow flies, my office is as

close to Chicago and Little Rock as it is to Prestonsburg.”



Berry

Berry is one of only two living bankers from far western Kentucky to have served as KBA chairman. His predecessor as KBA Chairman was Frankfort’s Lloyd Hillard of banking conglomerate Wesbanco. In Asheville, Berry passed the chairman’s gavel to Ja Hillebrand of Louisville’s Stock Yards Bank which will soon become the state’s largest financial institution.

Farmers Bank is Marion’s oldest and largest bank. Berry joined the bank as a loan officer in 1993 and became president and CEO in 2011. During his tenure as president and CEO, the bank has grown from three offices and \$132 million in assets to 10 offices and \$475 million in assets. Farmers Bank’s network now includes two offices in Marion plus offices in Salem, Henderson, Madisonville, Central City, Greenville, Livermore, Calhoun and Bowling Green.

The bank’s size ranks in the top 25 percent of banks in Kentucky. The most prominent independent ranking system for Kentucky’s banks rated Farmers Bank’s financial performance 10th out of Kentucky’s 129 state-chartered banks in its mid-year 2021 rankings.

“The thing that makes me the happiest about

our performance is how much our employees benefit from it because our employees are, as a group, our bank’s largest shareholders through our Employee Stock Ownership Plan,” Berry said.

When asked to comment on his own statewide recognition, Berry said, “Every bit of recognition I’ve earned is because of the efforts of our team at the bank, and the support of our board and our communities, especially our home communities of Marion and Salem.”

Regarding his experiences meeting with some of the most powerful legislators in the country as KBA Chairman Berry said, “It was quite an experience for a kid from Mattoon. It doesn’t feel like all that long ago that I was sitting in Ms. Sykes first-grade class at Mattoon Elementary with 10 kids in my grade and two grades packed in one room. To go from there to representing 151 banks in meetings with Sen. McConnell was pretty special. But more than anything it made me feel thankful. Thankful to those who built the bank before I was even born, thankful for my dad who worked 80 hours per week in a coal mines to give me an easier life than he had, and thankful to my mom who held it all together while he worked.”

Berry will remain part of the KBA’s Executive Committee for one more year as he serves as immediate past chairman of the organization.



CRITTENDEN COUNTY COVID CASES

Totals of Cases Reported as of Oct. 2-5, 2021

7-Day Total 34↓ 14-Day Total 71↓ Pandemic Total 1,290

Source: Pennyriple District Health Department

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County Incidence
From STATE COLOR-CODED MAP
19.5↓
ORANGE ZONE

VACCINATION RATE OF COUNTY 39%↑

Percentage Fully Vaccinated
BASED ON CDC INFORMATION

INFECTION RATE OF COUNTY 14.3↑

Percentage That Ever Tested Positive
COUNTY POPULATION 8,990

7-Day Incidence RATE IN COUNTY 54.0↓

Based on State Formula per 100K people
From Pennyriple Health Department Data

Vaccinations most effective tool against pandemic

STAFF REPORT

Public health figures continue to support the notion that vaccination is the most effective way to fight the pandemic.

According to reports late last week, 85 percent of Kentucky residents who died of the coronavirus from March 1 through Sept. 22 were unvaccinated. In nearby Indiana, that figure was 94 percent.

Locally, COVID-19 numbers are starting to moderate. On Tuesday, Crittenden was one of

only seven of Kentucky’s 120 counties that were not in the so-called Red Zone on the state’s color-coded incidence rate.

Still, COVID deaths in the immediate area continue to mount with more over the past week.

From the chart below, it’s clear that children and young adults continue to see higher rates of infection from the recent variant of the disease.

Additionally, individuals in their 50s have been hit particularly hard based on the

figures from previous months since the pandemic began in the spring of 2020.

We have started including an additional feature in our graphic above. The state’s official incidence rate used for its color-coded map is now included along with an incidence rate generated from figures provided by the Pennyriple Health Department. Data lag can explain the variation, so The Press will provide both figures going forward.

Just the Numbers COVID-19

CRITTENDEN COUNTY CASES APRIL 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2021

Month	COVID Cases	GENDER		AGE RANGE OF CASES IN COUNTY							
		Female	Male	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
APRIL 21	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0
MAY 21	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
JUNE 21	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
JULY 21	18	10	8	3	1	2	1	4	6	1	0
AUGUST 21	38	20	18	5	0	7	10	6	5	4	1
SEPTEMBER 21	63	35	28	10	8	7	13	10	5	7	3
OCTOBER 21	52	22	30	7	10	7	7	9	7	4	1
NOVEMBER 21	98	59	39	12	14	7	18	24	14	6	2
DECEMBER 21	141	75	66	21	9	10	14	28	17	26	16
JANUARY 21	134	71	63	15	15	22	15	17	11	21	17
FEBRUARY 21	46	23	26	7	2	14	10	8	5	1	1
MARCH 21	51	25	26	12	6	8	11	8	2	0	0
APRIL 21	45	28	17	12	2	6	7	9	3	4	2
MAY 21	9	3	6	2	1	1	4	1	0	0	0
JUNE 21	22	13	9	3	0	3	3	7	3	1	2
JULY 21	74	42	32	12	14	11	14	11	5	1	2
AUGUST 21	234	127	105	80	36	34	29	15	24	11	5
SEPTEMBER 21	230	117	113	73	29	36	24	27	20	12	8
TOTAL	1,264	675	590	274	147	176	181	186	129	102	60

Age, gender and/or date of diagnosis unknown for some cases, which can explain why rows may not reconcile.
Source Kentucky Department of Public Health

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