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YARD SALE HIT BY COVID

The annual multi-county U.S. 60 Yard Sale is being scaled back during the COVID era. Though no organized regional U.S. 60 Yard Sale is being promoted, local officials are continuing to help promote yard sales during the customary first weekend in October along the U.S. 60 corridor in Crittenden and Livingston counties. Marion Tourism Commission will arrange to publish your yard sale at no cost. Simply call the office at (270) 965-5015 and provide your address. A list of U.S. 60 yard sales will be published in The Crittenden Press and Early Bird Sept. 29 and Oct. 1.

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL RIPENS

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is planning to roll out its annual Pumpkin Festival on Saturday, Sept. 26 with most of the activities around the court square. The event will include a 5K race at the park and a downtown car show plus the regular attractions such as games, pedal tractor pulls and fire department water hose fun for kids. There are more than 25 vendors scheduled and DJ Kent Wilcox will provide music. The event begins at 9 a.m., at the courthouse and will last until 3 p.m. The Chamber will also present its annual awards, including Person of the Year, at noon.

COVID CHANGES SQUAD PLAN

The pandemic has prompted Crittenden County Rescue Squad to adjust its biggest annual fundraiser. Typically, the squad takes and sells family portraits, but due to COVID it is forgoing that activity and will instead send letters to area residents seeking a contribution. Look for a donation request in your mailbox soon. The squad has posted more information in its official announcement elsewhere in this week's edition.

KEEP THESE ON YOUR RADAR

- Hurricane Camp Meeting near Tolu is hosting an abbreviated Camp Meeting Revival Sept. 25-27. Evening services are at 7 p.m., and Sunday's is at 11 a.m. The traditional revival and youth camp were canceled in June due to COVID-19.
- Local entertainers Classy and Grassy will perform at Hurricane, and the musical group recently announced that it will open for Grammy-Award-Winning Grand Ole Opry star Rhonda Vincent on Oct. 3 at the Lincoln Jamboree in Hodgenville, Ky.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet in regular session at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 17 at the courthouse.
- Marion City Council will meet in regular session Monday, Sept. 21 at 5 p.m., at city hall.
- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet in regular session at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24 at the Rocket Arena.
- Crittenden County Extension District Board will hold a special called meeting at noon Wednesday, Sept. 23 at the Crittenden County Extension Service Annex to discuss 2020 tax rates. If you would like to join by remote internet connection, call the Extension office (270) 965-5236 for the password.

50 YEARS



Belt's mark golden anniversary in local real estate business

STAFF REPORT

One might say that the lantern hanging on the wall of Raymond and Sharon Belt's barn figuratively illuminates 50 years of appraisals, auctions, bids and sales brochures.

After all, that lantern was the very first item Raymond sold to begin a long real estate and auction career in Crittenden County.

The merited history of the couple's real estate and auction service in Marion includes hundreds of properties brokered and countless personal belongings sold to the highest bidder. It also includes friendships that were forged after Raymond got his auctioneer's license in 1970 while he was working at BF Goodrich.

"Raymond's brother, Leon, was married to my sister so we went in together with Belt Auction Service," recalls Sharon Belt.

Raymond and Sharon both ended up getting their real estate license in the early 1970s. She remembers the first home they sold in Marion.

"It was on Maple Street. We sold a house for the late Alma Thompson, who was a nurse at the old hospital," Sharon recalls.

Though Sharon is officially retired, Raymond goes to the office every day. Last week, the two went to the office together to write a contract on a piece of

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Raymond and Sharon Belt and Jim DeFreitas.

Voter Super Center will be at Marion Ed-Tech

The plan for Election Day in Crittenden County will see one voting super center in Marion with multiple voting machines and a secondary precinct at the courthouse.

Any eligible voter will be able to cast a ballot at either location, as there will be no polling at the usual precincts.

"This election will be unprecedented, but we had a test run with this method in the June primary, and things worked well," said County Clerk Carolyn Byford. "Because of the pandemic and technological issues, we won't be able to offer voting in outlying areas like we always have."

The bipartisan County Board of Elections approved a voting plan on Thursday



that makes Marion Ed-Tech Center a universal voting super center for all county voters regardless of their precinct of residence. The blueprint now rests with Frankfort for final approval, which is expected in the coming days.

Because broadband internet is unreliable or unavailable at many of the traditional voting locations outside the City of Marion, the statewide mandate for each county to have a voting

super center would open the door to possible double voting if rural balloting was offered. Electronic poll books in internet dead spots would not be able to communicate with others, making it impossible for poll workers to know if a voter had already cast a ballot elsewhere in the county.

Since broadband is readily available in Marion, the equipment at the courthouse and Ed-Tech Center should be online with one another the entire 12-hour voting day on Nov. 3.

"This is a federal election year, and a presidential election means integrity of the voting has to be ensured at all costs, even if the typical convenience to some voters becomes secondary," Byford said. "It's really the

only option we are left with on Election Day."

At the Ed-Tech Center, to expedite the process, voting will take place in two rooms – one for Marion's 2,250 voters eligible to cast a ballot in a city council race and another for Crittenden County voters outside the city limits.

Meantime, the courthouse location offers a safety valve for heavy voting at the ed-tech center and is within walking distance for many city voters.

For voters in outlying areas who may have as far as 15 miles to drive in order to vote on Nov. 3, there will be the option of 18 days of in-person early voting – Monday through Saturday

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Schools hold tax hearing

Crittenden County Board of Education will hold a public hearing in the Rocket Arena Conference Room at 5 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24 to hear public comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy of 48.6 cents per \$100 of assessed value on real property and 48.6 cents on personal property.

The rate is the same as last year and will generate just over \$2 million in revenue.

Due to COVID-19, Crittenden County property tax bills will not go out as customary during early October. Instead, the bills will be sent at some point in late October or early November. The traditional period for an early payment discount will likely include all of November this year with the face amount being due between Dec. 1 and Dec. 31. There is a penalty charged for late payment.

Local man indicted for manslaughter in automobile crash that killed woman

STAFF REPORT

A felony indictment has been delivered to the driver of an automobile that crashed into 72-year-old Mary C. Bass's home more than a year ago, killing the woman who was sitting in her living room chair.

The crash happened just before 7 p.m., in July 2019 near the Crittenden County Fairgrounds. Bass lived at 506 Shady Grove Road.

The Crittenden County Grand Jury last week indicted Chris Hill, 44, of Marion on a charge of second-degree manslaughter.

The indictment says that on July 27, 2019 Hill committed manslaughter by "wantonly causing the death of Mary Bass by running through a stop sign and into her residence with his automobile, colliding with her person and causing her death." Otherwise, no other information was included in the case file. State police investigated the crash.

Hill was served the indictment and arrested in central Kentucky on Monday where he was lodged in the Hardin County Jail.

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Area Deaths

Rowland

Susan Leigh Perry Rowland of Paducah died Saturday, Sept. 5, 2020 at Stonecreek Health and Rehabilitation in Paducah.

She was a baker at Kirchhoff's Bakery in Paducah.

Surviving are her son, Philip Rowland of Paducah; a daughter Rachel (Jeffrey) Jett of Paducah; parents Linda and Larry Starr of Marion; a brother Michael (Francie) of Iowa; aunt and uncle Carol and Danny Croft of Paducah; a granddaughter, Mad-dyx Jett of Paducah; and a nephew, Jack Perry of Iowa.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Hughes Funeral Home in Paducah was in charge of arrangements.

Easley

Paulette Easley, 66, of Providence died Friday, Sept. 11, 2020 at her home.

She was born in Madisonville, on July 12, 1954, the daughter of Norma Hulsey Easley and the late Lilburn Eugene Myers.

Easley was a member of the Providence General Baptist Church and past president of the VFW Post #5484 Ladies Auxillary.

Surviving are her husband Terry Allen Easley; her mother, Norma Myers of Providence; a sister, Kimmi Dawn (Claude) Alsbrooks of Providence; a brother, Wayne Myers, of Pittsburgh, Penn.; and a nephew, Brandon D. Lambert.

Services were Tuesday, Sept. 15 at Lucille Melton Memorial Chapel of Melton Funeral Home in Providence with Bro. Tim Rigdon officiating. Burial was at White Oak Cemetery.

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gilbertfunerals.com

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Rankin

Edwin Elbert "Bud" Rankin, 93, of Marion, N.C., died on Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020 after a brief illness.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Lois Jackson Rankin, who died in 2004; their infant son Richard Earl "Rickey" Rankin in 1954, and his parents, Earl W. and Beatrice Rankin of Marion, Ky.

Surviving are three children: Jaime Stone (Tommy), Marjo Rankin and Jed Rankin (Susan), all of Marion, N.C.; and grandchildren, Kasey Rankin of London, England, and Jake Rankin of Marion, N.C.

He was born March 7, 1927 in the Fords Ferry community on the Ohio River. He went to work at age 16 on a river boat that pushed barges as far south as New Orleans and north to Cincinnati. He joined the Navy upon early graduation from high school and served in the Marshall Islands during World War II. At war's end, he went back to the river boats before enrolling at the University of Kentucky.

He settled in Marion, N.C., in 1960 and became active in the community. Rankin Drive, the road leading to the hospital, is named in his honor. He was a member of the Hospice of McDowell County Board, and a deacon at First Baptist Church of Marion where he served on planning and finance committees, among others.

Rankin started his business, Marion Credit Company, in 1973. His son Jed and grandson Jake continue to operate the business.

A public graveside service will be Saturday, Sept. 19 at McDowell Memorial Park, with the Rev. Dr. Scott Hagaman presiding. Beam Funeral Service and Crematory is assisting the family.

Memorials can be made to First Baptist Church, 99 North Main St., Marion, N.C. 28752; or Hospice of McDowell County, 575 Airport Road, Marion, N.C. 28752.



Judge Newcom urges participation in West Kentucky Coalition's effort

Initial meeting will be next Thursday

The inaugural meeting of the West Kentucky Coalition, a regional advocacy group aimed at lobbying state government and other efforts, will be held at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 23 at the Ballard Convention Center in Madisonville.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom has been instrumental in the creation of this coalition. He is asking residents and community leaders to be active in supporting the effort.

"Mayors, judge-executives and any other interested parties from the Pennyriple Area Development District counties are welcome and encouraged to attend the meeting," Newcom said. "To make sure we have enough box lunches available, please encourage anyone in your communities who wants to

attend to send an RSVP to PADD Executive Director Jason Vincent at jason.vincent@ky.gov by 4 p.m., Thursday. The meeting space is limited to 100 persons due to social distancing capabilities."



Newcom said elected officials, media, chambers of commerce, economic development agencies or any other group is welcome to partner with this effort.

Only judge-executives and mayors or their designees will be voting members of the coalition.

"But partners may be asked to serve on committees and/or offer input to the board on the pertinent issues the coalition will be considering," Newcom added.

The coalition will be comprised of the 24 counties in the Green River, Pennyriple and Purchase areas of western Kentucky.

New unemployment benefits now reaching Kentuckians

Kentucky has begun processing Lost Wages Program benefits through the state unemployment office.

Gov. Andy Beshear announced in August the state's application for FEMA's Lost Wages Program, federal money to aid unemployed Kentuckians, had been approved.

Self-certification has already been provided by most claimants and claimants who still need to complete self-certification will be notified by the Office of Unemployment Insurance. Individual payments will be issued to claimants for each of the three weeks a claimant is eligible. Claimants should begin to receive payments within the next few days with payment for the first week going out recently.

The state of Kentucky will provide an extra

\$100 using CARES Act money. Kentucky's portion will be approximately \$8 million per week, allowing the unemployed, who qualify, to receive an extra \$400 per week for the three-week grant period.

"This program will allow about 80,000 Kentuckians receiving at least \$100 a week unemployment benefits for the weeks of July 26-Aug. 15 to receive an additional payment of \$400, if they are unemployed or partially unemployed as a result of COVID-19 pandemic," Gov. Beshear said. "The \$400 will apply to all programs: traditional UI, the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program and the extended benefits programs."

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CrittendenPress HistoryVignettes

A collaborative project between The Crittenden Press, Marion Main Street, Inc., and the Crittenden County Historical Society is bringing history to life with virtual tours of some of Marion's most unique and significant landmarks. See these short history vignettes on YouTube.

Virtual Tour

Congressional homes

This beautiful old home on East Depot Street was built in 1887. It was originally a one-story structure but the upstairs was added a few years later. The design was largely influenced by the colonial revival style.

The home was for many years owned and occupied by Ollie Murray James, a local lawyer who rose to fame as a politician and once ran for president of the United States. He was a member of the U.S. House, a United States Senator and Chairman of the Democratic Conventions in 1912 and 1916.

An incredible orator, James was touted as a serious contender for the presidency in 1920, but died unexpectedly at a Baltimore hospital during his term as a senator from Kentucky. James is buried in nearby Mapleview Cemetery.

The 20th Century geologist Ben Clement, for whom the local mineral

museum is named, once rented an apartment here, and S.M. Jenkins, who owned The Crittenden Press newspaper, once lived here.

Almost directly across Depot Street is the former home of another of Marion's notable politicians, William J. Deboe. His house was built in 1886 and it originally faced College Street, but was later moved to the back of the lot so a new home could be built in later years.

Deboe was a doctor, a lawyer and was for a time the superintendent of Crittenden County Schools. Later, he was elected to the state senate, then became the first Republican United States Senator from Kentucky in 1897 to 1903.

Deboe came home to Marion after his years in congress and became the U.S. Postmaster here from 1923 to 1927. He died in Marion and is buried at Mapleview

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Jones pleads guilty in record drug bust

STAFF REPORT
A local man indicted on federal drug and weapons charges has pleaded guilty in United States District Court in the Western District of Kentucky.
Joshua Lee “Jason” Jones, 32, pleaded guilty last week to one count of possession with the intent to distribute 50 or more grams of methamphetamine and being a convicted felon in possession of a handgun.
Sentencing will be later this fall. Jones has agreed to the govern-

ment’s recom-
mended sentence
of 15 years. How-
ever, it appears
that Jones could
be eligible for a re-
duction of three or
more years based
on the plea deal.
Jones is also or-
dered to forfeit the more than
\$2,000 cash and a Taurus 9mm
handgun he had in his possession
when arrested in Marion in Novem-
ber 2019.



Jones

Local police found Jones asleep in a vehicle parked in a random driveway. He was sought at the time for escape from a halfway house in Louisville. Inside the vehicle with Jones was 341.6 grams of meth. Authorities here say it was the largest drug bust in the history of Crittenden County.
Jones was originally indicted on multiple state felony charges by the Crittenden County Grand Jury in December 2019. Those have been dismissed in light of the federal plea.

VOTE

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from Oct. 13 to Nov. 2. That voting will take place in the county clerk’s office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays, except on Tuesdays when the office will remain open for voting until 6 p.m. On the three Saturdays preceding Election Day, the office will be open for voting from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
“We are making every attempt possible to allow people to vote in-person,” Byford said. “Many people simply do not want to vote by mail.”
Byford said internet “hotspots” are being planned for rural areas, which will be beneficial should the State Board of Elections mandate continued usage of electronic poll books instead of paper rosters in future elections. That could come as early as the election for county offices in 2022.
All in-person voting this November will offer safety measures against the possible spread of

Voting options

- Election Day voting offered to any county voter at the Marion Ed-Tech Center and the courthouse 6 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Early in-person voting offered in the county clerk’s office Oct. 13-Nov. 2, weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m. plus 4-6 p.m. Tuesdays and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays.
- Absentee mail-in ballots can be requested through Oct. 9. Once a request is made, you are no longer eligible to vote in person.

COVID-19, with distancing, regular disinfecting and a request for voters to wear a face covering, though they will not be required.
“We are asking voters to mask up out of consideration for their friends and neighbors, including our poll workers who are working a 14- to 15-hour day,” Byford urged. “It’s a simple courtesy, but we will not turn away voters who

choose to not use a face covering.”
For those who cannot make it into Marion or do not want to risk exposure to the virus, mail-in absentee voting is made available to anyone who requests a ballot by Oct. 9. Those marked ballots can be returned by mail in the postage-paid envelope provided or delivered to the courthouse, either inside the clerk’s office or in the secure drop-box inside the front door of the building.
Anyone who requests an absentee ballot will no longer be able to vote in-person this year, even if they change their mind. If a requested ballot has not been received by Oct. 28, however, a voter can apply for another or to vote in person.
The deadline to register to vote is Oct. 5. That can be done online at GoVoteKy.com or the county clerk’s office.
Byford invites anyone with questions to contact her office at 270-965-3403 or by email at Carolyn.Byford.ky.gov.

KET offering online help from at-home students

With schools relying on distance-learning to safely educate children, KET continues to create educational resources that help teachers and caregivers supplement their children’s coursework with high-quality content from PBS KIDS and PBS LearningMedia.
KET’s educational resources, which increased in use by more than 400 percent during the spring semester, are aligned to state and national standards and include contextualized support materials to help them be easily integrated into the virtual classroom.
KET offers learning materials for every age group:
Early Learners (newborns to age 8)
■ Bright by Text — a service for parents and caregivers that sends ideas for activities, games

and other educational resources to your cell phone via text message.
<https://www.ket.org/education/resources/bright-by-text/>
■ PBS KIDS helps parents and caregivers incorporate hands-on, interactive resources from PBS KIDS to supplement their children’s viewing of high-quality, educational programs from KET PBS KIDS.
<https://www.ket.org/education/k-12/pbs-kids/>
■ KET Learn At Home resources is a continually-updated collection of activities and games that parents and caregivers can incorporate into their children’s learning.
<https://www.ket.org/learnathome/>
Grades 4-8
■News Quiz is KET’s weekly current events show that features a 10-question quiz based on the week’s news head-

lines. <https://www.ket.org/education/newsquiz/>
Grades 6-12
■ Skills on Demand — online lessons that helps students fill their knowledge gaps in math and language arts and demonstrate how the lessons apply in real life scenarios. Topics include finding the volume or area of a shape and structuring paragraphs and sentences.
<https://www.ket.org/education/n>

ews/review-essential-skills-in-math-and-language-arts/
Educators
■ PBS KIDS framework — helps educators incorporate hands-on, interactive resources to supplement their studnets’ viewing of high-quality, educational content from KET PBS KIDS even without internet access.
<https://www.ket.org/education/k-12/pbs-kids/>

CATTLE PRICES

LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT

From sale on Aug. 25 at Livingston Co. Livestock Market - Ledbetter, Ky. Kentucky Dept of Ag Mkt News. Total Head 354. Feeder Cattle 311, Slaughter Cattle 29, Replacement Cattle 14. Previous Week: Feeder Cattle 407, Slaughter Cattle 49 Replacement Cattle 26. Compared to last week: Feeder cattle traded mostly steady with good demand. Slaughter cows and bulls traded steady. Supply included: 88% Feeder Cattle (29% Steers, 38% Heifers, 33% Bulls); 8% Slaughter Cattle (88% Cows, 12% Bulls); 4% Replacement Cattle (100% Cow-Calf Pairs). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 18%.

FEEDER CATTLE				
STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
Head Wt	Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2 320-345	333	170.00	176.00	172.89
1 380	380	160.00	160.00	
1 435	435	155.00	155.00	
7 482-498	493	149.00	150.00	149.28
11 515-525	521	144.00	150.00	145.36
21 555-591	580	140.00	149.00	142.04
2 630-635	633	130.00	131.00	130.50
4 678-695	682	129.00	134.00	132.73
STEERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
1 255	255	155.00	155.00	
1 600	600	115.00	115.00	
1 680	680	119.00	119.00	
HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
2 230-235	233	143.00	145.00	143.99
2 255-290	273	138.00	138.00	
2 315	315	156.00	156.00	
4 410	430			
1 675	675	113.00	113.00	
2 700	700	110.00	110.00	
1 860	860	90.00	90.00	
HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
6 315-345	333	121.00	141.00	136.52
6 405-435	426	129.00	131.00	129.65
4 525-545	531	114.00	122.00	118.05
HEIFERS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
1 805	805	92.00	92.00	
BULLS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
4 360-390	383	160.00	160.00	
2 400-425	413	146.00	158.00	151.82
16 471-493	480	142.00	148.00	145.12
5 505-535	522	131.00	139.00	134.00
5 571-572	571	124.00	130.00	127.60
11 603-640	626	120.00	128.00	123.02
1 690	690	114.00	114.00	
2 775-780	778	102.00	104.00	103.00
1 805	805	106.00	106.00	
4 870	870	91.00	91.00	
BULLS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
1 325	325	145.00	145.00	
3 425-432	430	110.00	144.00	132.79
BULLS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
2 345	345	139.00	139.00	
2 577	577	120.00	120.00	
BULLS - Small and Medium 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
1 670	670	105.00	105.00	
SLAUGHTER CATTLE				
COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
Head Wt	Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price Dressing
2 1500-1695	1598	56.00	60.00	58.12
COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
2 1305-1410	1358	60.00	65.00	62.40
COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
14 1000-1340	1196	52.00	60.00	55.51
4 1000-1215	1073	49.00	50.00	49.76
BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)				
Head Wt	Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price Dressing
1 1755	1755	90.00	90.00	Average
2 1365-2125	1745	80.00	85.00	83.04
REPLACEMENT CATTLE				
COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1-2 w/ <150 lbs calf (Per Family / Actual Wt)				
Age Stage	Head Wt	Range	Avg Wt	Price Range Avg Price
5-8 O	2	1250-1300	1275	1350.00-1400.00 1375.49

THROW BACK

THURSDAY

OUR MEMORIES GO BACK TO 1879

50 YEARS AGO

September 17, 1970

■ Eddie Boone was selected by the State 4-H Club to attend the Kentucky Youthpower Food Conference in Louisville. Twenty-five state 4-Hers were chosen to attend. Susan Barfield was selected as an alternate to the conference.
■ Bob Johnson was named outstanding lineman by Rocket football coach Dickie McDonald.

25 YEARS AGO

September 19, 1995

■ Raymond Belt of Belt Auction and Realty was elected to serve another two-year term as Region I Vice President of the Kentucky Association of Realtors.
■ The Rocket football team celebrated its third straight win, a 22-7 victory over the Webster County Trojans. Players of the game were David Beverly, Robby Croft and Bobby West.
■ The Crittenden County High School golf team placed second in a match

at Hopkinsville Country Club.
■ Crittenden County little league football team won a 14-8 victory over Dixon. Kent Wilcox scored the game-winning touchdown.

10 YEARS AGO

September 16, 2010

■ An improved, more user friendly Mantle Rock Preserve and mile-long hiking trail along the historic Trail of Tears was unveiled near Joy in rural Livingston County. The National Park service, in partnership with The Nature Conservancy, designed new exhibits to highlight the rarity of sandstone glades and prairie habitats, while portraying the hardships of the Cherokee experience.
■ Crittenden County Middle School students elected student council officers. They were President Danielle Byarley, Vice-President Reid Baker, Secretary Maria Dossett, Treasurer Lauren McKinney and Reporter Taylor Belt.
■ Cory Michael Hamby of Marion graduated from Kentucky State Police's training course in Frankfort.

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property.
“It is amazing in 50 years how things have changed,” she said.
“We started out in a duplex on Chapel Hill Road and we used the old rolls of slick copy paper that went in copy machines. Everything was expensive, calculators were high and we used an electric typewriter.
“Things have changed so much. What used to be a one-page listing and selling contract today is about four pages on a buyer’s purchase contract. There has been more paperwork involved over time.”
One of the busiest times of their business was in the late 1970s when Raymond began selling property to a budding Amish community.
In fact, the couple traveled to Dover, Del., to meet with families who would be moving here. They stayed overnight with the late Elmer Yoder, his wife and their 10 children.
“They took us for a ride on buggies to an ice cream social and we met the people who would be coming to Kentucky,” Sharon recalls.
The original 1,900 acres in what is today’s Amish community near Mattoon was divided among eight families, all of whom were clients of the Belts.
Through the years, the couple was involved on local, regional and state real estate leadership

committees. Raymond served for a time as vice president of the Realtor organization, representing 20 counties between west Kentucky and Owensboro.
When Belt Auction & Realty built its office on South Main Street, it had a full house of agents including the late R.F. Brown, Lois Hicks and Carson Davidson.
With several people working in the office, the policy was simple: Let the customer who walked in the front door request a particular agent.
“Carson was a strong Republican; Lois a strong Democrat; R.F. would want the client if he had sold them a car; and Carson had his connections in the National Guard, so it worked out like that,” Sharon explained.
A self-professed city girl, Sharon recalls the first few auctions the couple put together in the 1970s.
“I didn’t know much about farm machinery, and I couldn’t understand the farmers,” Sharon said. “I was clerking and they would tell me an item to write down. One time I asked the farmer what item he was buying, and he said ‘it’s a hare,’ and I kept questioning him, and finally found out it was a harrow.”
After 50 years, it is those snapshots and friendships that live on in the family business. Jim DeFreitas is an agent at Belt Auction Realty today and Peggy Watson is the secretary.

Early doctors dedicated to local residents

Let's take a trip back to the early 1900s and learn some family history about three of our early Crittenden County doctors. They must have been very dedicated and caring gentlemen to live with the hardships of being a doctor. Traveling to their patients' homes on horseback or in a wagon, in the heat of summer and the cold of winter, never knowing when they would be called upon or how far they would have to travel. Although their memories may almost be forgotten, their stately homes have stood the test of time and still stand today.



Brenda Underdown
County Historian

Forgotten Passages

Dr. John O. Dixon 1861-1910
On last Wednesday afternoon, March 16, 1910, the great and noble heart of Dr. J. O. Dixon ceased to beat and his soul took its flight for eternity.
The news of his sudden death was such a shock to the people here, who were all his friends, that they could be seen staring in horror at the thought that one so loved and that but a half hour previous had made a visit to one of his patients, could now be dead.
But it was only too true and today the people of Marion and Crittenden County mourn for one of the purest and best men they have known.
He had just started home a few minutes before his death, presumably with the knowledge that God had called on him to surrender his great life and having a desire to die at home by the side of his faithful wife, where he could look into the faces of those he loved, he prayed to God that he could reach home before he died. When he entered his home, he exclaimed to his wife that he was dying and with her tender help lay down on his bed as the last breath left him.

Dr. J. O. Dixon was born in Dixon, Ky. Jan. 26, 1861, and was consequently in his fiftieth year. On June 20, 1889, he was married to Miss May Croft of Tolu, who with their two children, Galen and Mira, survives him. After marriage he moved to Tolu where he continued the practice of his profession he had entered on since he was 20 years old, plus that of farming.
Dr. Dixon had a beautiful farm near Tolu which he named "Hurricane Valley." On this farm he had all kinds of stock of the finest breeds, Hereford cattle, Pollen-China hogs and different breeds of horses.
Dr. Dixon, being a good farmer as well as a physician, kept his farm in a good condition for growing any kind of grain, he sowed timothy, red top, clover, peas and mil-

let, and had a fine lot of hay for his stock in the winter. His barns and out buildings were nicely arranged and on cold winter days, and all of his stock were sheltered and well fed and watered in a trough filled with pure water from an everlasting well.
His friends say Dr. Dixon was one of the great benefactors to Crittenden County in consequence of his introducing blooded stock into the county, creating a desire upon the part of his neighbors to do the same whereby old Crittenden is now the peer of any of the western Kentucky counties in this line.

Dr. Dixon kept the family farm in Tolu, but early in 1900, they decided to move to Marion to be near town so their children could attend the Marion schools. He had a beautiful, and one of a kind, new home built for his family on 227 East Carlisle Street. The home had two towers located on the roof with decorative leaded glass fixed windows.
He lived by honest methods and he was everyone's friend. Dr. Dixon is buried at Maplevue Cemetery with other members of his family.

Dr. Andrew J. Driskill 1861-1947

Dr. Andrew Jackson Driskill, Jr., was born in Livingston county on July 4, 1861 and was a graduate of Vanderbilt University in Nashville. He was married to Sallie Mantz.
He started the practice of medicine in Smithland with Dr. Duley, and upon is death took full charge of the practice. He later moved to Marion and practiced medicine here for many years. He was



From left is the Dr. Dixon house, Dr. Driskill house and Dr. Moore house

appointed physician and surgeon for the I. C. Railroad, and carried a lifetime membership for 40 years service.
The Crittenden Press tells us that in June 1905 Dr. A. J. Driskill had contracted with J. S. Braswell to build a handsome residence for him and his family in the newly sectioned area of the Weldon-Blackburn addition.

Dr. Driskill practiced medicine in Marion for many years. His office was at first located above the Farmers Bank building. This location burned in April 1913 and he had to move to another location.

His wife Sallie died in Feb. 1935 and is buried in Maplevue Cemetery, and in a few years he left Crittenden County to live with his daughter, Maude Young of Phoenix, Ariz. He also had two sons, David of Phoenix and Arnold of Marion.

He died in Arizona on July 20, 1947 and is buried in the Greenwood Cemetery in Maricopa, Ariz.

Dr. Robert Love Moore 1858-1943

Dr. R. L. Moore was born on a farm near the present day community of Mattoon, Nov. 16, 1858, the son of Robert L. Sr. and Avarella Baker Moore.

Dr. Moore was reared on the farm, and when he had grown old enough to do farm work he made a hand at whatever there was to do.

One day while working in the harvest field at the age of 16, he was overcome by heat. Severe illness followed, and the

lameness with which he is now afflicted, was the result. Having been thus disabled from active farm work, he devoted himself diligently to study and in a short time was teaching school.

In 1879 he entered the Medical College at Louisville, and in 1882 he graduated. He practiced medicine for a few years, achieving success both as a physician and surgeon. He practiced medicine in the county and had his office located at Marion.

Realizing that he could not overcome the physical handicap and the strenuous burdens imposed by medical practice, he entered the University of Chicago and was degreed in law from that institution. Despite an extensive legal practice Dr. Moore never gave up the practice and study of the theories of medicine and surgery.
After being admitted to the Kentucky Bar he entered into a legal partnership with Lem and Ollie James, with the firm being known as James, James and Moore.

In 1897 when Marion adopted its first present

form of government, Dr. Moore was chosen to be Marion's first mayor.

Familiarly known in all sections as "Dr. Bob" he also held the positions of President of Marion Bank, County Judge, County Attorney and City Judge and was known as a friend to persons in all walks of life.

According to The Crittenden Press, in 1900 Dr. Moore had a new home built for his family. It was to be built on Wilson Street (now East Depot Street). Mr. G. F. Jennings was the contractor. In 1903, Dr. Moore had a second story added to his residence. It was one

of the most attractive homes in the city and the interior decorations were beautiful and the hard woodwork finish rich and elegant.

Dr. Moore died Dec. 21, 1943. He and his wife, Onie Howerton Moore, are buried with other members of the family, in the Maplevue Cemetery.

(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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This year due to the COVID outbreak and resulting restrictions, we felt it best not to have our Picture Shoot this year. The social distancing regulations along with the cleaning requirements made it not practical to have the picture shoot. Therefore, we are asking you for your donation only.

YOU WILL NOT BE CALLED FOR A DONATION, nor will anyone be going door to door asking for donations - we will **ONLY** be mailing out donation requests to all Crittenden County residents.

You will receive an envelope with a letter and a self addressed envelope (addressed to Crittenden County Rescue Squad, Inc, P.O. Box 346, Marion, KY) in the mail in the next couple of days. Simply put your donation in the envelope and send it back to us.

100% OF YOUR DONATION GOES DIRECTLY TO THE RESCUE SQUAD.

Please remember - Crittenden Co. Rescue Squad is **NOT** affiliated with any Fire Dept., **and we DO NOT receive any money from your Fire Dues.** We never charge for any of our services, and are the only group in the county that does auto extrication and water rescue. Our member's are 100% volunteer and never receive any pay for the work they do. Our only source of income is from your donations.

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SEPT. 25-27
at the Outdoor Tabernacle

Due to COVID-19, the traditional week-long camp meeting in June was cancelled.

7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25
Message by Bro. Danny Hinchee
music by Classy & Grassy/Cutter & Cash Singleton

7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26
Message by Bro. Steve Stone
music by the Stone Family

11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 27
11 a.m. message by Bro. Jim "Bub" Porter
7 p.m. message Bro. James Young

Hurricane Church Rd.
Directions: Take KY 1668 (Crittenden Springs Rd.) to its end at KY 135 turn left, go approx. 1 mile to Hurricane Church Rd.

Social distancing, masks and hand sanitizer according to COVID protocol.

What a wonderful world

If you are reading this, it means that I have had a slight medical issue. This is from January 2019. Not much has changed, if anything, we are in worse shape. Keep looking for the good.

I am in a constant battle against political and journalistic hyperbole. It is not a new thing. It might, in fact, be less of a problem than in the past. We have always had to deal with greed, vulgarity, corruption and election-fixing. The challenge is not to allow those things to define who we are as a nation.



Sean NIESTRATH
Faith-based columnist
Guest Columnist

tion, politics and religion – and I expect you have as well. When considering the implications of a morally courageous act, the political implications are weighed against the good that would be done.

If it costs us too much, nothing changes. What if we rewarded leaders for doing the right things?

This nation was convulsed in the 1960s by the Civil Rights Movement and Vietnam. They became morally and politically connected. There were no fewer than five notable assassinations – Medgar Evers, John Kennedy,

Malcom X, Martin Luther King, and Robert Kennedy. The decade of violence came to a stunning end with the shooting of unarmed student protesters at Kent State University in May, 1970 by the Ohio National Guard. Not to mention the riots in many U.S. cities including Detroit, Los Angeles, Washington and Chicago.

It was into this violent and frightening time, in October 1968 after the assassinations of MLK and Robert Kennedy, that a two-and-a-half minute ballad was released sung by a jazz musician in his mid-sixties. It included these words, “I see trees of green, red roses too, I see them bloom for me and you, and I think to myself what a wonderful world.

“I see skies of blue and clouds of white, the bright blessed day, the dark sacred night, and I think to myself what a wonderful world.” I’ll bet you can hear Louis Armstrong’s voice now.

Think for a moment what he had seen and endured; two World Wars, the Depression, poverty, civil rights, Korea, Vietnam. He was not naïve, he was courageous. He dared to speak love into a world filled with violence

and hate and the pain that accompanies it. He was reported to answer critics before a concert with this answer.

“Some of you young folks been saying to me: ‘Hey, Pops – what do you mean, what a wonderful world? How about all them wars all over the place, you call them wonderful?’ ...But how about listening to old Pops for a minute? Seems to me it ain’t the world that’s so bad, but what we’re doing to it, and all I’m saying is: see what a wonderful world it would be if only we’d give it a chance. Love, baby, love. That’s the secret...” (Louis Armstrong, 1968) (Cited from Jack Doyle, PopHistoryDig.com, Nov. 7, 2012).

The amazing part about this is that he sang and promoted it before the record company would release it. It is a remarkable example of the world losing its mind and not understanding the language of hope and love and those that speak it. I remember it from the 1988 film “Good Morning, Vietnam” when it was juxtaposed against the violence of war – a powerful vision of hope expressed in the reality that existed.

We need moral courage today, and we will need it tomorrow. The courage to speak truth when there are so many forces promoting moral lies and self-promoting agendas. The courage to speak the language of hope and love in a world that will misunderstand, mislabel and misuse such language.

If you are a praying person, pray for our national leaders to stop their stupidity and consider their words and the effects it has on all of us. We live in a remarkable, beautiful world with remarkable and beautiful people – make it real.

Dr. Sean Niestrath is a minister in Madisonville, Ky. He holds a doctoral degree in ministry. You may contact him at sean.niestrath@outlook.com.

Church Events & News

- Clean-up in preparation for Hurricane Camp Meeting Revival will be Sat., Sept 19 and Mon., Sept. 21 beginning at 8:30 am. All interested persons are encouraged to participate.
- Yard Sale 8- 4 p.m. on Wed., Sept. 23, Thurs., Sept. 24 and Fri., Sept. 25. Furniture, dishware, kitchen utensils, appliances, toys, kids clothing, baby items, much much more. Livingston County Helping Hands Inc 509 Mill Street P.O. Box 296 Smithland, Kentucky 42081. (270) 928-3383, Fax: (270) 928-3383. Just down from the Smithland Dollar Store.

- The Clothes Closet of the First Baptist Church in Fredonia will once again be open to serve the area with free clothes beginning? For the time being, we will be outside the Clothes Closet in the parking lot. Our hours are 1-3 p.m. each Thursday. We will ask everyone to 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 Congregation Have Something Planned? Let us know. We post church notes here at no charge.
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Hope in Christ negates the downward pull of pain

ASK the PASTOR

By Bob Hardison

and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you” (1 Pet. 1:3, 4).

Peter elevates our downward viewpoint by lifting our eyes to our living hope in Christ. Through Christ's resurrection our hope is tied to the power of God. His power will keep His children strong

no matter what they face. Our hope is secure because it is bound up in our eternal inheritance in heaven. Nothing can diminish it, corrupt it, divert or destroy it.

The downward pull of pain cannot take our living hope away. When pain causes weariness, we need to renew our minds by claiming the truths of God's Word and by talking to God through the open channel of prayer. Faith and hope are forever intertwined.

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

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

—Matthew 18:20

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-Matthew 18:20

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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

Freedom General Baptist Church

Pastor: Ross Abwell

87 Freedom Church Rd., Marion (about 1 mi. from Marion off Ky. 91)

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 6 p.m.

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Pastor: Tim Burdon
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Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

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Sunday school: 10 a.m.
Worship service: 11 a.m.

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

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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Mark Girten

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Woman involved in ‘Bonnie & Clyde’ case has probation revoked by judge

STAFF REPORT

A woman who was part of a duo dubbed “Bonnie and Clyde” that terrorized citizens in the eastern part of Crittenden County in the summer of 2015 with a series of alleged crimes has had her probation revoked.

Circuit Judge Rene Williams last Thursday ordered Brooke Nicole Stevens, 39, to begin serving an original 10-year prison sentence for burglary.

Testimony during a probation revocation hearing last week indicated that Stevens, who was given shock probation on a conviction of second-degree burglary, had failed for the last two years to report to her probation officer. Her whereabouts was unknown until August when she was taken into custody and jailed.

Stevens and a co-defendant, Christopher A. Sheridan, in 2015 were believed to have been involved in a string of burglaries, mostly at unoccupied hunting cabins in Crittenden, Web-

Stevens

Circuit Court Pleadings

ster, Hopkins and Caldwell counties. Stevens was charged only with the burglary of Cave Springs Church in Crittenden County.

In other cases before Judge Williams last week:

- Adam P. Attia, 29, of Salem had a 2018 pretrial diversion set aside after being indicted in July on a felony theft charge in Marshall County. Attia was on pretrial diversion for a felony theft charge in Crittenden County for allegedly taking a Dodge Dakota truck and Kawasaki UTV from a family member between the fall of 2016 and the summer of 2017. In July, he was arrested in Calvert City for allegedly taking tools and other items while working at two of the industrial plants there. Based on the new charges, Judge Williams set aside the pretrial diversion granted here two years ago. Attia will be formally sentenced next month on the 2018 conviction here, and he's facing five years in that case.
- Rodney L. Little, 42, of Kevil pleaded guilty to one felony count of pos-

session of a firearm by a convicted felon. The charges were brought by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife. Court records indicate that Little was in possession of a 12-gauge shotgun on Jan. 27. He was sentenced to five years in prison, but given a probation sentence.

Judge Williams displayed some frustration on the bench, citing complications related to trying to conduct court proceedings through remote means in many cases.

“This just isn't working well. Next month it will be in-person,” she said.

There were no court cases in April or May during the COVID-19 lockdown, but circuit court has been meeting since June under pandemic protocol. While some defendants appear in the courtroom before the judge, most appear remotely on closed-circuit video from the jail. Other court officials, including the public defender and probation and parole officers, also appeared virtually instead of in-person last week.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME IN RURAL CRITTENDEN

A Crittenden County family lost their home and belongings in a fire Saturday evening.

Multiple fire departments were called to Ky. 723 in the rural western part of the county where a two-story home was engulfed in flames by the time the first firemen arrived.

Scott Champion and his family were not home at the time, but firemen said the owner arrived not long after the blaze was somewhat in check. He was able to direct firemen to the garage area, which was not fully involved in fire, and they were able to save some belongings. Otherwise, the home and contents were a total loss.

Fire departments from Sheridan, Crittenden, Salem, Marion and Smithland were all dispatched to the scene after a passerby noticed the blaze around 5 p.m. Firemen were there for more than four hours.

Daniel Newcomb of the Salem Fire Department was among the first to arrive. He said flames were already jutting from the roof and the front of the home was fully involved in fire.

The cause of the blaze remains undetermined.

possibility of issuing vetoes – begins on March 17. Lawmakers will return to the Capitol on March 30 for the final day of the session.

SHERIFF WARNS OF SS PHONE SCAM

Crittenden County Sheriff Wayne Agent says local residents should continue to be aware of a phone scam aimed at gathering vital personal information, particularly involving elderly victims.

“We continue to get reports that there is a Social Security scam going on,” the sheriff said.

He describes the scheme as a threat to the victims that fail to provide personal information such as full name, date of birth and/or Social Security number could lead to a lapse in Social Security benefits.

The sheriff urges residents to never give out personal information over the phone.

Locating and prosecuting criminals who perpetuate alleged crimes like this is very difficult as most of them are originated out of the country.

SCHOOLS ADD VIRTUAL TEACHER TO LINEUP

An increase in the number of high school virtual learners since the start of school prompted the Crittenden County Board of Education to approve the hiring of an additional virtual teacher. Meeting in special session last Thursday night, the board approved the hiring of an additional teacher to assist CCHS virtual instructor Sean Thompson.

At the start of the school year in August, about 100 students at Crittenden County High School chose virtual instead of in-person learning. In the three weeks since then, that number has increased to 150 with an additional 10 on a waiting list.

In addition to hiring a second virtual teacher for the high school, Superintendent Vince Clark said some in-person teachers are lending their time outside the classroom to assist students with their work on Edgenuity, the virtual platform used at home.

Clark said CCMS and CCES in-person numbers are steady and do not indicate a trend toward virtual. In fact, there are students on the waiting list to attend in-person at Crittenden Elementary.

Grand jury hands down multiple indictments for felony charges

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Grand Jury convened last Thursday and handed down multiple indictments.

A grand jury does not decide whether a person is guilty or innocent. Instead, it merely determines whether enough evidence exists to continue prosecuting a case in felony court.

Indicted last week were:

- Billy C. Brooks, 33, of Marion was indicted on a charge of DUI fourth offense, a Class D felony; driving on a DUI suspended license, third offense, a Class D felony; and failure to maintain required insurance, a Class B misdemeanor. Court records say the charges stem from his being caught while allegedly driving impaired and on a revoked license on Aug. 26 by State Trooper Darrin Holliman.
- Charlie L. Owen, 27, of Salem was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. The charges stem from an April 18 encounter with Crittenden County Deputy Chuck Hoover. Owen was a passenger in a vehicle that was stopped by law enforcement and eventually towed away. Owen allegedly had meth in her pocket and a pipe was found in the pickup in which she was riding.
- David Burnice Kirk, 51, of Marion was indicted on three felony charges of first-degree burglary, a Class B felony; first-degree fleeing or evading police, a Class D felony; and first-degree wanton endangerment, a Class D felony. He was also charged with third-degree criminal trespassing and traffic violations for reckless driving, failure to signal and disre-

Grand Jury

garding a stop sign. The case stems from an Aug. 11 incident when a Frances Road homeowner saw a shirtless man on his wireless security system trying to get into his home. Authorities were dispatched and confronted Kirk, who fled in a vehicle and was later caught in Livingston County after a pursuit that involved Crittenden and Livingston deputies.

- Shannon D. Miller, 45, of Marion was indicted on a felony offense of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); and misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Miller was charged after officers were attempting to execute a warrant against another man at Miller's home on Ky. 70 in the Mexico community. Court records indicate that Miller gave Deputy Ray Agent consent to search the home where drugs and paraphernalia were found.
- Christin Carol Freeman, 21, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree criminal mischief by complicity. She and two other co-defendants were allegedly caught on videotape April 30 damaging a church yard and cemetery in excess of \$1,000 in damage. The incident took place at Crooked Creek Church. The defendants allegedly got stuck and used headstones from the cemetery to put under their tires, trying to get traction in the mud.
- James Matthew Belt, 22, of Eddyville, was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree criminal mischief by complicity. She and two other co-defendants were allegedly caught on videotape April

30 damaging a church yard and cemetery in excess of \$1,000 in damage. The incident took place at Crooked Creek Church. The defendants allegedly got stuck and used headstones from the cemetery to put under their tires, trying to get traction in the mud.

- Andra Lauren Starrett, 24, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree criminal mischief by complicity. She and two other co-defendants were allegedly caught on videotape April 30 damaging a church yard and cemetery in excess of \$1,000 in damage. The incident took place at Crooked Creek Church. The defendants allegedly got stuck and used headstones from the cemetery to put under their tires, trying to get traction in the mud.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE FOR '21 IS ANNOUNCED

The 2021 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly is scheduled to begin on Jan. 5 and will last 30 legislative days.

As usual during an odd-numbered year, the session will have two parts. The first four days of the session – Jan. 5 to Jan. 8 – will focus on organizational work, such as electing legislative leaders, adopting rules of procedure and organizing committees. The introduction and consideration of legislation can also begin during this time.

The second part of the session begins on Feb. 2, with final adjournment scheduled for March 30.

The veto recess – the period of time when lawmakers commonly return to their home districts while the governor considers the


SHOW AND SHINE IS SEPT. 24 IN MARION

Crittenden County's monthly Show and Shine car show will be held Thursday, Sept. 24 in downtown Marion.

The event starts at 5:30 p.m. There is no registration or entry fees and no prizes are awarded. However, there will be door prizes given away.

For more information, call Richter at 270-965-2348 or email geom3m5@bell-south.net.

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the cruise-ins and the event has its own Facebook page at Marion, Kentucky Show and Shine.



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LOCAL SPORTS

GOLF

Class A is postponed

Heavy rainfall on Sunday forced organizers of the All A Classic Kentucky State Golf Championship to cancel, or perhaps only postpone, the small-school golf tournament for boys. Crittenden County's First Region championship team was set to play in the tournament at Gibson Bay Golf Course in Richmond. CCHS coach Vicki Hatfield said there is a chance the tournament could be made up later this month.

Rockets beat Lyon

Crittenden County's golf team beat Lyon County at Deer Lakes Golf Course last Thursday as senior Sammy Greenwell shot a 36 to capture medalist honors for the second straight match. The Rockets won the dual match 165-227. Jeremiah Foster scored 40, Landen Crider 44 and Evan Belt and Avery Belt each shot 45. Parker Kayse shot 53. Baylee Conger shot 46 for the Lady Rockets while Addie Hatfield scored 53 and Georgia Holeman 67.

SOCCER

CCHS girls tie Webster

Crittenden County and Webster County battled to a high school soccer tie 3-3 at Marion-Crittenden County Park on Monday. Lady Rocket keeper Allie Geary had 11 saves. CCHS got goals from Raven Hayes and Jacey Frederick. Frederick scored twice. Those were her first varsity goals. Taylor Guess and Hayes each had assists.

Crittenden dropped two straight last week after starting the season with a win. The Lady Rockets lost 9-0 in the All A Classic final to University Heights on Friday. Crittenden keeper Allie Geary had 10 saves and Destiny Knight had three.

Last Thursday, the Lady Rockets lost 5-2 at Trigg County and Geary suffered a broken nose, but was able to return after a time. She finished with 13 saves. Taylor Guess and Lizzie Campbell scored a goal each and Jaelyn Duncan and Guess both had an assist.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Old timers postponed

The old-timers baseball and softball fundraiser games scheduled for Sunday at Marion-Crittenden County Park are postponed due to rising COVID-19 cases in the county. The event will be rescheduled for another Sunday in the near future.

RUNNING

5K Pumpkin running

There will be a 5K race at Marion-Crittenden County Park on Saturday, Sept. 26 in conjunction with the annual Pumpkin Festival in Marion.

OUTDOORS

Hunting Seasons

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

Bull Frog	May 15 - Oct. 31
Squirrel	Aug. 15 - Nov. 13
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Deer Archery	Sept. 5 - Jan. 18
Turkey Archery	Sept. 5 - Jan. 18
Canada Goose	Sept. 16-30
Wood Duck & Teal	Sept. 19-23
Teal Only	Sept. 24-27
Turkey Crossbow	Oct 1-18
Deer Youth	Oct. 10-11
Turkey Shotgun	Oct. 24-30
Deer Crossbow	Sept. 19 - Jan. 18
Deer Blackpowder	Oct. 17-18
Youth Waterfowl	Nov. 7-8
Quail, Rabbit	Nov. 16 - Feb. 10
Deer Modern Gun	Nov. 14 - Nov. 29
Turkey Crossbow	Nov. 14 - Dec. 31
Squirrel	Nov. 16 - Feb. 28
Bobcat Trapping	Nov. 16 - Feb. 28
Fox Hunting	Nov. 16 - Feb. 28
Fox Trapping	Nov. 16 - Feb. 28
Duck	Nov. 26-28
Canada Goose	Nov. 26 - Feb. 15
Dove	Nov. 26 - Dec. 6
Bobcat Hunting	Nov. 28 - Feb. 28
Turkey Shotgun	Dec. 5-11
Duck	Dec. 7 - Jan. 31
Dove	Dec. 19 - Jan. 10
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 6-7
Coyote	Year Round
Groundhog	Year Round
Turtles	Year Round

*Some dates are proposed only

Rockets now traveling to far east for Paintsville

Thirty-five years after they beat Paintsville 14-6 for the Class A state championship, the Rockets and Tigers will do it again Saturday. This time in Paintsville, a town about the size of Marion in Johnson County near the eastern Kentucky border with West Virginia.

The game was originally scheduled to be played in Marion, but on Monday, officials from Paintsville High School told Crittenden County Superintendent Vince Clark that a recent spike in

novel-coronavirus cases here made it too risky for the Paintsville football team. So, the Tigers backed out of coming.

Instead, PHS agreed that Crittenden County could come to Paintsville to play. So, the game was rescheduled for 5 p.m. (CST), Saturday nearly six hours away from Marion. Crittenden has played Paintsville only once and that was in the 1985 Class A State Championship game.

Paintsville was the Class A state runnerup last year, losing

48-0 to Pikeville in the championship game. The Tigers are currently ranked No. 2 in Kentucky right behind Pikeville.

Led by four-year starter at quarterback Jake Hyden, the Tigers have a multitude of offensive weapons. However, after last season they lost their top running back, John Walker Phelps, to graduation.

Paintsville came from behind last week to beat East Jessamine 39-24 in the season opener after falling behind 14-0 early.

The Tigers return 13 seniors. The quarterback threw 15 TDs last year while passing for 1,606 yards. He was also heavily involved in the running game, accounting for 776 yards on the ground and 10 rushing touchdowns. His cousin is one of the team's running backs. Hyden's father was a former collegiate quarterback at Eastern Kentucky University.

Karsten Poe is the top returning receiver with 671 yards and nine touchdowns last year.

Rockets unable to unfold deck of offensive cards

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County was unable to unpack its potentially lethal cadre of offensive weapons Friday at Caldwell County and was defeated 22-0 by the Tigers to open the 2020 season.

The Rocket offense sputtered, puffed a time or two and hiccuped often en route to a performance few expected.

Crittenden was shutout for the first time since last year against Union County and only the second time since 2016 – and yes, it was Caldwell that year.

The Rockets have lost 11 straight to Caldwell County.

While the offense was virtually lifeless the biggest part of the time, Crittenden's defense put up a valiant fight.

Caldwell's offense was just as unproductive most of the way, scoring its first touchdown with less than seven minutes left in the game. The Tigers got two field goals in the first period and its defense scored twice – once on a errant Rocket punt snap for a safety and again on pick-6, one of three interceptions it took from the Rockets.

Senior running back Xander Tabor rushed for 121 yards for Crittenden, but the net team total on the ground was 95 yards. Quarterback Luke Crider was thrown for negative 37 yards and was 9-for-26 passing.

Still, Crittenden coach Sean Thompson found some trust in his team.

"I really can't be upset right now," he said. "It was a lot closer than (22-0)."

After about a week in pads due to postponements in practice time because of the pandemic, Thompson said there's much work ahead. The team travels to Class A power No. 2 Paintsville on Saturday.



Rocket quarterback Luke Crider tries to buy a little time as Caldwell defenders close in on him during Friday's game at Princeton.

"I expected mistakes and we made some, three really big ones that accounted for 15 of their points," Thompson said "We're okay. Our defense is really good and we knew it would be. Our offense has to take care of the miscues and make sure we're better next week."

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Crittenden	0	0	0	0
Caldwell	8	0	7	7

SCORING PLAYS

Cald-Blake Vivrette 31 field goal, 8:30, 1st
Cald-Safety
Cald-Vivrette 30 field goal, 3:15, 1st
Cald-Baron Wells 45 interception return, 11:38, 3rd
Cald-Tripp Branch 30 pass from Russ Beshear (Vivrette kick) 6:50, 4th

TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: Crittenden 9, Caldwell 18
Penalties: Crittenden 10-120, Caldwell 4-20
Rushing: Crittenden 28-95, Caldwell 46-66
Passing: Crittenden 9-26-3, 96 yds., Caldwell 18-26-0, 225 yds.
Total Yards: Crittenden 191, Caldwell 291
Fumbles/Lost: Crittenden 0-0, Caldwell 1-0

Lady Rockets are 2-2 in volleyball

Off to a 2-2 start, the Lady Rocket Volleyball Team is 1-0 in Fifth District play after a three-set win against Trigg County Monday. The Lady Rockets won 25-11, 25-19 and 25-20.

Against Trigg, Emma Waters had 5 kills and 3 blocks; Addy Kirby had 6 kills; and Riley Smith had 7 aces.

The team's other victory came in the season opener Sept. 8 at Hopkins County Central. The Lady Rockets won the first two sets, lost the third and fourth and came back to win the fifth set 15-4.

Jada Hayes led the team with 16 kills and Southern Pate had nine aces against Hopkins County Central.

The Lady Rockets dropped matches against Murray and Madisonville-North Hopkins Thursday and Saturday, respectively.

UPCOMING PREP SCHEDULE

Crittenden County High THURSDAY
Golf at Calvert City Country Club
Volleyball at Livingston Central
Soccer hosts Union County
SATURDAY
Volleyball Class A at Livingston Central
Varsity football at Paintsville
MONDAY
Volleyball at Madisonville
JV football hosts Webster, tentative
TUESDAY
Soccer at Lyon County



Crittenden County runners were all masked up for the race, but were able to run without any face coverings last weekend in Trigg County.

Keller misses win by seconds

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County cross country senior Kate Keller finished second by about four seconds Saturday in the Mike Wright Classic Trigg County meet. Calloway County's Ainsley Smith won the 2500-meter race.

Eighth-grader Ella Geary was the next best runner for CCHS, finishing 16th at 11:34:53. Sophomore Kara Fulkerson was 24th at 12:23:07. Eighth-grader Mary Martinez was 26th at 12:29:29, junior Leah Long was 39th at 13:34:50 and freshman Karsyn Potter was 45th at 13:41:84. More than 60 runners competed in the girls' event.

Crittenden County finished second in team points behind Graves County.

Livingston Central sophomore Kaylynn Jackson was the Lady Cardinals' top runner, finishing 34th at 13:16:86. Kaydena McCormick, Danielle Starczewski, Olivia Ramage, Rylee Culver and Sidney Hubbard also competed for Livingston.

Sophomore Rowen Perkins led the CCHS boys' squad, finishing 53rd out of almost 90 runners. His time in the 2500-meters (about 1.5 miles) was 9:58:92. Sophomore Jordan Hardesty was 67th at 10:43:34, Nate Faith 69th at 10:54:21, Asa McCord 71st at 11:00:35, Gabe Keller 73rd, Tyler Goodwin 74th, Dennon Wilson 80th, Cole Swinford 81st and Jayden Clarida 82nd.

Livingston's Carson Kitchens was fifth overall in the race at 8:12:15.

LBL looking for volunteer elk monitors

Friends of Land Between the Lakes (LBL) is in search of volunteers for the Elk and Bison Prairie as well as other activities in the recreation area. The Friends of LBL's Bugle Corps volunteer group helps Land Between the Lakes wildlife managers with the Elk and Bison Prairie by monitoring the animals' health, interacting with visitors, monitoring visitor safety

and answering questions from the public.

The Friends of LBL would like to find several volunteers who enjoy talking with people, are willing to learn about elk and bison and are willing to volunteer several days a month, especially during the busy fall bugling season. People can volunteer as individuals or couples. Friends of LBL provides a vehicle for volun-

teers to use.

"The Bugle Corps is the most important tool we have to make sure that visitors have a safe and educational experience when enjoying the Elk and Bison Prairie," said Curtis Fowler, LBL Range Technician and manager of the Elk and Bison Prairie. "And now with people maybe looking for something to do to get out and still be safe, vol-

unteering with the Bugle Corps could be an option that some folks might enjoy."

In addition to the Bugle Corps, the Friends of LBL continues to offer volunteer opportunities such as litter cleanup, trail assistance and more.

For more information, contact the volunteer coordinator at volunteer@friendsoflbl.org or 270-924-2007.



Senior Southern Pate serves up the ball in the girls' volleyball win at Hopkins Central. Hannah Herrington applies defense to a Webster County player in the second half of varsity soccer action Monday night. The Lady Rockets (1-2-1) tied Webster 3-3 after being up 2-0 in the first half.

Nebraska high school 6-5 guard interested in Wildcats

This will be the third year that Hunter Sallis has started for Millard North (Neb.) High School for coach Tim Cannon, and he's emerged not only as a major recruiting target for Kentucky



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UK Sports Columnist
Vaught's Views

The 6-5 guard averaged 22.8 points, 4.5 rebounds and 4.0 assists per game last season after averaging 18.2 points, 3.8 rebounds and 2.8 assists per game as a sophomore. Cannon says it has been a remarkable journey for Sallis — who had the nickname Bambi because it took him so long to coordinate his long arms and legs — to get where he is now. “As a freshman, he was like 6-foot, 140 pounds,” his coach said. “He started JV as a freshman and was like seventh man on the varsity. I remember his dad telling me he didn’t even start on his eighth-grade team. A lot of friends of mine told me later they always thought Hunter would be the one to develop more than ones playing ahead of him.” Kentucky is one of 12 schools Sallis has on his list of potential college choices even though he likely won’t make a decision until spring when he can see what team rosters might look like next season.

Cannon said it was five or six weeks ago when Kentucky got really involved with Sallis and offered him a scholarship. “He is very, very interested (in Kentucky),” Cannon said. “North Carolina had been the most recent of the big

boys to offer before Kentucky did. He’s had offers from Kansas, Oregon and Gonzaga for a long time. Kentucky offered and that changed the whole ballpark. “I’ve got a friend here, Pete Kilgore, and UK is the only team he follows. He actually told me when (assistant) coach (Joel) Justus calls it is the real thing and within a week he called me.” Cannon has no trouble pointing out what Sallis does best that has impressed so many college recruiters. “I think just his ability to get to the basket. He is very slithery and gets through people and now goes over people also,” Cannon said. “He was really good getting between people and using his skinniness to his advantage. “His shooting percentage is always high. It was right at 57 percent last season but he gets a lot of good looks at the basket and then gets his dunks. He has so many games where he gets to the basket so well.” Cannon says Sallis has worked to improve his jump shot and that has made him even more difficult to guard. “He goes to a trainer to work on his shot and moves and that type of thing,” Cannon said. “He is still doing that now. During the season he will do it on Sunday and maybe one night per week. But he’s always working on his moves and shot along with shooting here with us all he can.” Off the basketball court, Cannon says Sallis is “very quiet and humble” even though he’s become a local celebrity because of his success. “He is a legend in high school here,” Cannon

said. “Anybody who follows basketball knows him. The other night he took a picture with my 12-year-old granddaughter. My grandkids like to take a picture with him and brag to their friends. Everywhere we go kids want pictures with him. They want their shoes signed. I have never seen him complain. He never gets tired of it. “He’s a really nice kid who is nice to other people all the time. Very courteous. I saw him every day in (history) class for 180 days as a sophomore and 90 as a

junior. He’s just a good kid.” Certainly North Millard athletics trainer Lisa Moore shares that opinion after watching and working with Sallis. “He’s going to be a great kid to see how his future turns out,” she said. “It’s a lot of fun to watch big things happening for him.” One plus for Kevin Knox during his second season with the New York Knicks was having Julius Randle, another former University of Kentucky player, on the roster to

offer advice. Randle has played in 375 NBA games and averaged 16.1 points and 9.0 rebounds per game in his career. Kevin Knox Sr. said that former UK assistant coach Kenny Payne, who recently joined the Knicks staff, would give him “a little tidbit to tell Julius and stuff like that” during last season while Randle was doing the same for Knox Jr. “Julius did a good job helping and reached out to Kev to work out and showed him the ropes in the beginning,” Knox Sr. said.

How good is Randle, who averaged 19.5 points and 9.7 rebounds per game last season in his first year with the Knicks? “He is imposing, dominating big man. He is blessed with God-given gifts that you saw at UK. He is one big agile, shooting, dribbling guy.” Knox Sr. hopes the hiring of Tom Thibodeau as head coach will take not only his son to a higher level but also Randle even though recent reports have surfaced that the Knicks may try to trade Randle.

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Crittenden County Board of Education

The Crittenden County Board of Education will hold a public hearing in the Rocket Arena Conference Room on September 24, 2020 at 5:00 PM to hear public comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy of 48.6 cents on real property and 48.6 cents on personal property.

The General Fund tax levied in fiscal year 2020 was 48.6 cents on real property and 48.6 cents on personal property and produced revenue of \$2,014,087.98. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 48.6 cents on real property and 48.6 cents on personal property is expected to produce \$2,211,649.00. Of this amount \$352,695.81 is from new and personal property. The compensating tax rate for 2021 is 47.8 cents and on real property and 47.8 cents on personal property and is expected to produce \$2,175,243.66.

The general areas to which revenue of \$197,561.00 above 2020 revenue is to be allocated are as follows: Cost of collections -\$7,902.44, building fund — \$59,268.30, instruction -\$130,390 including chrome books, textbooks and software for remote learning.

The General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and the information contained herein.

Crittenden County School District COVID-19 Report

School	STUDENTS					STAFF				
	New Cases Today	Active Cases	# Ever Positive	# Recovered	Quarantine due to Exposure	New Cases Today	Active Cases	# Ever Positive	# Recovered	Quarantined due to Exposure
CCES	0	0	1	0	20	0	0	1	1	1
CCMS	0	2	2	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
CCHS	0	3	8	5	11	0	0	0	0	0
Central Office	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	1
Transportation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0
Food Service	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0
Maintenance	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	0	5	11	5	43	0	0	1	1	2

Updated as of Sept. 15, 2020

Third COIVD death reported here; county average top in state

From March through July, Crittenden County had just 23 confirmed cases of COVID-19. There have been 28 new cases reported in the past week, giving Crittenden the highest county incidence rate in Kentucky over the past 7 seven days.

The county has now seen 118 confirmed cases since the pandemic began in the spring, and three deaths associated with COVID-19. The latest was a 75-year-old male whose death was reported on Tuesday. No other information was immediately available.

Since early August, the number of cases here has

ballooned at a rate that has alarmed health officials and is also prompting sports events to be moved or canceled, schools to be close periodically and other traditional events to be postponed or canceled. Last week, Deer Creek Church announced on social media that it had confirmed a case in its congregation. The church said it was stopping in-person service for two weeks.

Here are the past week's confirmed cases of novel-coronavirus:

53-year-old female isolated at home
37-year-old female isolated at home
16-year-old male isolated at home
14-year-old female isolated at home
15-year-old female isolated at home

12-year-old male isolated at home
17-year-old female isolated at home
55-year-old female isolated at home
67-year-old male isolated at home
3-year-old female isolated at home
43-year-old male isolated at home
53-year-old male isolated at home
72-year-old male isolated at home
52-year-old female isolated at home
54-year-old female isolated at home
33-year-old male isolated at home
83-year-old female isolated at home
69-year-old male isolated at home
21-year-old female isolated at home
53-year-old female isolated at home
57-year-old male released
58-year-old female released
21-year-old female isolated at home
42-year-old male isolated at home
26-year-old female isolated at home
27-year-old female isolated at home
29-year-old male isolated at home
72-year-old female isolated at home

Finding: New high school paramount to local needs

STAFF REPORT

Solving overcrowding within the Crittenden County School District starts with a new high school. That was the consensus by members of the Local Planning Committee (LPC) as part of a state-mandated four-year facilities plan.

The LPC heard detailed facility needs and an explanation of the district's bonding capacity during a three-hour meeting Sept. 8. The 16-member LPC consists of parents, teachers and community members.

A new high school is one building block toward solving overcrowding at Crittenden Elementary and replacing the 70-year-old Crittenden County Middle School, long identified as a top priority in the district.

The LPC's draft proposal is to demolish CCMS, move fifth through eighth grades to the current high school, which will become the middle school, and construct a 15-classroom high school on the north side of Rocket Arena.

According to a review by RBS Design Group, Crittenden County School District has about \$10 million in bonding capacity to finance new construction. Capital revenue for school projects comes from local taxes and state funds. The district's bonding capacity increases each year as it pays down previous debt. The oldest debt are bonds on Rocket Arena, the final payment for which will be made in October 2023.

Jeanie Cannon, an associate with RBS, evaluated each school building in Crittenden County and came up with a list of needs for schools, bus garage, central office and maintenance building.

CCMS Findings

A major concern is the 1949 middle school. Because of its age, classrooms are smaller than Kentucky Department of Education standards, which puts student enrollment over capacity. The elementary school is also over capacity based on square footage of classrooms.

Cannon commended the district for doing the best it could to create educational space at the current middle school.

"It is too small, it is very aged and I commend the maintenance department because they have done an absolute fabulous job," she said. At the time the survey was conducted, CCMS' enrollment was 356 with capacity of 286 based on classroom square footage. None of the 11 classrooms meet KDE size requirements.

The proposal is to raze the sixth and seventh

grade wings of CCMS but to renovate the eighth grade wing behind the gymnasium and convert it into a central office.

Converting the current high school into a middle school comes with a \$1.5 million price tag. Cannon suggests remodeling three science rooms, the art room, upgrading the ag shop, remodeling the consumer science classroom and adding a restroom in the nurse's area.

Fifth grade to CCMS

The rationale for moving fifth grade to the middle school (current high school building) is to free up space inside the CCES building and also to eliminate the need for mobile preschool units across the parking lot from CCES.

Coordinating use of the cafeteria/gymnasium is troublesome at times, and Cannon said one of the district's needs is a new gym at CCES.

"We will ask for a new full-size gym, because students can't have physical education all day; in fact, they have had to share space with the cafeteria for years," she explained. "We would suggest leaving the cafeteria where it is and building a new gym."

Additional needs include remodeling the library to make additional space for resource rooms and upgrading two bathrooms to comply with Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

LPC member Sabrina Stokes expressed concerns over moving fifth grade to the middle and high school campus. However, Superintendent Vince Clark said there was concern when sixth grade moved to the middle school and that seems to be working well. He envisions little, if any, interaction between fifth and sixth graders with high school students, explaining he foresees fifth and sixth grade occupying the top floor of the current high school with seventh and eighth graders on the bottom floor.

Crittenden County High School was constructed in 1975 and would require an elevator shaft if any remodeling is done to the building per ADA requirements.

New high school

A new high school would consist of a two-story structure with 15 standard classrooms, a family and consumer science room, two science classrooms and a science lecture room, a business classroom and an administrative suite.

Cannon said Rocket Arena was constructed with an elevator shaft, but an elevator was not installed. An elevator would be required for ADA compliance at a new

high school.

Over the course of the last three years, the board of education has purchased and razed three homes on East Belleville Street, that would make room for a new entrance to the new high school.

The new high school would be built on the north side of Rocket Arena and continue to share the ag shop and cafeteria at CCMS.

Nearly any day now the state road department on Old Salem Road will move to its new home in Industrial Park North, completing a three-way land swap that will result in the school district taking possession of the property behind Rocket Stadium. Cost for the lot will be \$60,000.

The LPC document will be sent to Frankfort for approval, and the LPC will finalize its work late this fall.

Ultimately, the local board of education will make decisions regarding construction. Those talks could begin by spring.



FIVE-COUNTY AREA

Some information current as of Sept. 11, 2020

County	Confirmed Cases	Currently in Home Isolation	Currently Hospitalized	Recovered Cases	Deaths
Caldwell	104*	14	3	78	0
Crittenden	118*	35	2	63	3*
Livingston	73*	15	1	54	1
Lyon	61*	18	1	36	4
Trigg	137*	36	6	84	0

*Includes new cases this week.

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