

DELIVERY DATE FOR OHIO RIVER DOCK

It was announced last week in the Crittenden County Fiscal Court meeting that the long-anticipated installation of a boat dock at Riverview Park on the Ohio River in the northern part of the county is coming next month. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the aluminum T-design pier will be delivered on Oct. 18. The seasonal dock will be removed from the river during times of high water.

HOOVER RESIGNS AS COUNTY EM DIRECTOR, REPLACEMENT SOUGHT

Chuck Hoover has tendered his resignation as Crittenden County's director of Emergency Management. Hoover has served in that role since 2017. His resignation becomes effective Sept. 30. The county is looking for a replacement. Hoover is also a Crittenden County deputy and likely candidate for sheriff if current Sheriff Wayne Agent does not seek re-election next year. Anyone interested in learning more about this part-time paid position should contact the county judge's office.

WHO'S BEEN VAXED?

We might be nosing around the community over the next few weeks to see who's leading the county in vaccination rates. You can email us, call us or catch us somewhere to let us know what percentage of your business or agency is vaccinated. This week the featured unit is Marion City Council, which has seven members. Six are vaccinated for 86 percent.

CORN MAZE WILL BE OPEN DURING OCTOBER

A community corn maze for children young and old will be open to the public during October at the end of Pippi Hardin Boulevard in the Industrial Park North. The maze will be open 4 p.m., to dark weekdays and 10 a.m., to dark on Saturday and 2 p.m., to dark on Sunday. Cost will be \$3 per person with 5-under free. The maze opens on Oct. 1 and will remain open through Oct. 31.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 28 in the Crittenden County Elementary School Library.



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Butch and Stephanie Mundy

COVID Changed Everything

Importance of vaccinations clearer now
for longtime local healthcare provider

BY ALLISON EVANS
THE CRITTENDEN PRESS

Dealing with the pandemic is one thing when you're a healthcare professional. Dealing with the potentially-deadly virus in your home is another.

For 27 years, Stephanie Mundy has worked as a nurse and nurse practitioner, but nothing had prepared her for COVID-19.

On a professional level, Mundy spent 18 months giving patients at Tri-Rivers Healthcare a prescription for a healthier lifestyle in hopes of warding off the coronavirus – preaching hand washing, healthy diet, vitamins to beef up the immune system and the vaccine for older, immunocompromised patients. But this summer it got extremely personal when she lost a lifelong friend and watched her husband struggle for breath during a week-long hospital stay, fighting against COVID-19.

As a result, Mundy's philosophy on vaccinations has changed.

“Unvaccinated people are the ones we are seeing die,”



Since July 15, the vaccination rate in Crittenden County has risen more than 11 points from 26 percent to 37.2 percent. That rate indicates the percentage of the eligible population with at least one dose of vaccine. Vaccine Clinics are held every Thursday at the Crittenden County Health Department. Walk-ins are accepted. On other days, appointments should be made. Shots are also available at area pharmacies and clinics.

she said.

Mundy said she realized the vaccine was a key tool against the virus when it first became available last winter. She's even more convinced now that

it's paramount to beating COVID-19.

Mundy thought she and her husband Butch, a lab manager at Livingston Hospital, were healthy enough to avoid a serious bout with the virus. She now admits that was wrong. She was sicker than expected, as was her husband, when the virus came knocking at their door.

On the last day of his quarantine with two symptomatic teenagers – and Mundy herself recovering at home, too – Butch became so ill, he was admitted to the hospital.

“People think if they are about out of quarantine they are getting better, but a lot of times that isn’t the case. He had oxygen at home and his levels were still low. I thought we could manage at home,” she said.

Colleagues encouraged them not to wait too long before seeking more aggressive treatment at the hospital. In many cases patients do wait too long and there is little medical professionals can do

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A couple of men from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet were standing at the corner of Gum and Main Friday morning, timing motorists after they turned off the traffic signal at the intersection.

Here we go: A one-light town

Flip a switch and you don't need to watch too long to discern that traffic moves with greater ease. _____

That's what Kentucky Transportation Cabinet officials observed last Friday morning in Marion when they purposely turned the traffic signal at Main and Gum streets – aka U.S. 641 and U.S. 60 – to a blinking red light.

As soon as they switched the intersection to a four-way stop, traffic moved more continuously with shorter waits and fewer chances for pre-school road rage.

At the center of a pretty intense study over the past few months has been Marion's southernmost traffic



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light (the town has only two). Transportation folks are trying to determine whether a pesky pole, which has been the source of a real problem for big trucks making sharp turns at the intersection, needs to go. The issue has intensified in the last few years since the City of Marion closed Country Club Drive to commercial trucks. That was done because the heavy rigs were causing big problems to the roadway which was not built for that kind of traffic. That meant more big trucks rolling through the tight crossroads in front of NAPA and Duncan's Service Center.

The utility pole on the southwest corner of that intersection is ever-so close to the street. It has been hit countless times and periodically broken by trucks making righthand turns onto South Main from West Gum. Questions arose

earlier this spring as to whether the pole could be moved or completely removed. AT&T and Mediacom promptly responded, removing their lines from the pole, leaving only the state's traffic signal attached to it.

Some in the community had suggested that a four-way stop might be a solution to congestion – which is particularly acute during morning and evening school traffic and when the local factories start and end their shifts.

What was gleaned from last week's traffic study from 7 a.m., until 8 a.m., is that traffic moves a bit quicker through the junction with a four-way stop. About six or seven seconds was the longest any vehicle needed before it could proceed after rolling up to the in-

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Deaths

Murray

John Anthony “Tony” Murray, 56, of Salem, died Friday, Sept. 17, 2021 at his home.

He was a welder and enjoyed hunting, fishing and collecting arrows-heads. He was a true outdoorsman and a member of the National Guard.



Surviving are a son, Jordan (Whitney) Murray of Meridian, Texas; a brother, Brad Murray of Marion; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Shawna Murray; and his parents, John and Sharon Murray.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Myers Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

O'Dell

Michael Smith O'Dell, 56, of Marion, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021 at his home.

O'Dell was the founder and owner of Harvest Lumber and Reclaimed Barn Creations. He loved to hunt and fish and was a member of Tolu United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 35 years, Gayann (Easley) O'Dell; two children, Matthew O'Dell of Nashville and Madison O'Dell of Marion; two sisters, Kelli (Ted) Spitze of Poplar Bluff, Mo., and Terri (Gary) Wright of Doniphan, Mo.; a brother, Steve O'Dell of Paducah; several nieces and nephews; great-nieces and nephews; and his furry companions, Shaedynn and Mackay.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Judy (Smith) O'Dell.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 23 at White's Chapel Cemetery with Bro. Steve Tinsley officiating.

There will be no visitation.

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

Myers

Darrel B. Myers, 52, of Marion, died Monday, Sept. 13, 2021 at his home.

Surviving are an aunt, Ruth Fuqua; and a cousin, Mason (Rhonda) Fuqua, both of Rogersville, Ala.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Joyce Yvonne Myers.

Private services will be held at a later date.

Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Lizak

Jeffrey John Lizak, 55 of Marion, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021 at Crittenden Community Hospital.

He had worked as a casino gaming dealer. He attended Marion Baptist Church and was a member of the Knights of Columbus. He enjoyed cooking his favorite dishes, pot stickers and rice, and was the owner operator of Meow This!

Surviving are his wife, Mary Lizak of Marion; his father, John Lizak of Marion; a brother, Chris (Kathy) Lizak of Ra-

leigh, N.C.; a stepson, Anthony Alvarez of Marion; a stepdaughter, Angelina Marie (Jeremy) Alvarez Hudson of Marion; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Betty Lou Kinnis Lizak.

A Celebration of Life Service was held Tuesday, Sept. 21 at Myers Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to help plant a memorial garden. Mail to: Donations, c/o Jeffrey Lizak Memorial Garden, 1776 SR 1668 Marion, KY 42064.

Shuecraft

Janet Lee Shuecraft, 67, of Marion, died Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021 at her home.

Surviving are a son, Eric Shuecraft of Marion; and a brother, Jimmy Adams of Salem.

Private services will be held at a later date.

Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Damron

James H. “Jimmy” Damron, 64, of Salem, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021 at Baptist Health Paducah.

Damron was born in Woodriver, Ill., Dec. 21, 1956. He attended Salem United Methodist Church and was known to always carry a cross in his pocket. He was a Cardinal baseball fan and enjoyed driving his golf cart in Salem with Debbie at his side. He enjoyed being with friends and family and children were extra special.

Surviving are his wife of 27 years, Debbie Damron of Salem; a son, Kyle Damron of Nashville; a daughter, Becky Damron of Murray; his mother, Norma Jean Phillips of Hartford, Ill.; two sisters, Brenda (Gary) Dunkerson of Salem and Pam (Kenny) Champion of Marion; three brothers,

Bill (Vonna) Damron of Salem, Kenny (Lisa) Phillips of Roxana, Ill., and Gary Phillips (Matt Whitlock) of Hartford, Ill.; a step-brother, Stanley (Debbie) Shuecraft of Fellsmere, Fla.; two grandchildren, Makaela Crawford and Kelsie (Taylor) Caldwell; a sister-in-law, Eugena (Steve) Champion of Marion; his mother-in-law, Linda Ferrell of Salem; and 14 nephews, Jared Champion, Tony Dunkerson, Michael Damron, Eric Damron, Steven Damron, Jason Champion, Josh Champion, Chris Damron, Wade Damron, Lane Champion, Trent Champion, Sean Shuecraft, Graham Shuecraft and Colten Shuecraft.

He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Earl Damron, Sr.; his step-mother, Ophelia Damron; a brother, Joseph Earl Damron, Jr.; and a step-brother, Danny Shuecraft.

Services were Sunday, Sept. 19 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Steve Tinsley and Bro. Chris Damron officiating. Burial was in Lola Cemetery.

Pyle

Janell Kay Pyle, 74, of Marion, died Friday, Sept. 17, 2021 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services, Inc.

Surviving are her children, Kay (Brian) Kirby of Marion, Kim Brown of Cadiz and Jamie Pyle of Marion; four grandchildren, Elizabeth, Alex, Shelby and Laurel; a great-grandchild, Violet; a step-sister, Sandra Lucas; and step-brother, Sam Lucas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard Pyle, and her parents, James "Jim" and Nancy Barnes.

Services were Sunday, Sept. 19 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Mapleview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Marion United Methodist Church.

Barnes

Gerald Lynn Barnes, 80, of Salem, died Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services.

He loved to fish and was a member of Pinckneyville Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Sandy (Hargan) Barnes; a son, Mark Barnes of San Diego, Calif.; a sister, Wanda Peterson of Cookeville, Tenn.; and a niece, Karen Peterson of Cookeville.

He was preceded in death by a son, Michael Barnes; and his parents, Hadley and Ruby DeBoe Barnes.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Sept. 28 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial was in Pinckneyville Cemetery.

Collyer

Stacy F. Collyer, 54, of Marion, died Sunday, Sept. 19, 2021 at Mercy Health-Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

Arrangements are incomplete at Gilbert Funeral Home.



Hunt represents local club

Nancy Hunt (right), president of the Woman's Club of Marion, gave an environment presentation and a report on the Marion Club during the General Federation of Women's Clubs 1st District Fall Conference Sept. 11 in Benton. Pictured with Hunt is Amy Mason, District Governor.

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We send a special thanks to Bro. Bill Parrish and Bro. Wendell Ordway for their comforting words and prayers they shared with us and to the staff of Myers Funeral Home for all their kind acts for us. Our wonderful church family receives a special thanks for the delicious meal they prepared and served the family.
*God bless all,
The family of Danny Hodge*

Burglary, drugs, weapons driving forces behind this month’s felony indictments

STAFF REPORT

A half dozen individuals were indicted for felony and other offenses this month by the Crittenden County Grand Jury.

A grand jury, which meets here monthly, does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely decides whether sufficient evidence exists to continue prosecution of a case in circuit court.

Following are those indicted in September:

- Harlin Ray Brantley, 50, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a defaced firearm.
- Court records say that on April 11, law enforcement was called to a disturbance at a home on Cave Springs Road. When they arrived, the owner was not there, but a female was located inside. Officers found alleged drugs, paraphernalia and a shotgun with a barrel cut off to 14 inches.
- Tonnia L. Brennan, 51, of Marion was indicted on third-degree burglary by complicity, a Class D felony. Court records indicate that Deputy Chuck Hoover was about 3:30 a.m., on Aug. 11 dispatched to a residence at 89 Railroad Avenue in Crayne regarding a burglary in progress. When the

deputy arrived he found a black Ford Fusion in the driveway and two women, one of them being Brennan, on the property. The deputy determined that the back door of the home had been breeched and there was broken glass on the floor. The investigation recovered a prescription bottle with medication, which belonged to someone else, in the Ford vehicle, and other items in the grass near the home. Some other valuables from inside the house had allegedly been gathered up and put into containers near the back door. Brennan, also known as Toni Whitney, was also charged with misdemeanor third-degree possession of a controlled substance.

- Crystal Ann Mills, 27, of Marion was indicted on third-degree burglary by complicity, a Class D felony. Court records indicate that Deputy Chuck Hoover was dispatched about 3:30 a.m., on Aug. 11 to a residence at 89 Railroad Avenue in Crayne regarding a burglary in progress. When the deputy arrived he found a black Ford Fusion in the driveway and two women, one of them being Mills, on the property. The deputy determined that the back door of the home had been breeched and there was broken glass on the floor. The investigation discovered that items from inside the home had allegedly been gathered



up and put into containers near the back door. Some items were found outside in the grass.

- Robert C. Powell, 26, of Sebree was indicted on a number of traffic violations, including speeding, no or expired plates, operating on a revoked license, no registration receipt or motorcycle license. He was also indicted for misdemeanors for failure to have insurance and transferring a motor vehicle without a bill of sale and felony charges of prohibited sales/receipt of a vehicle with a removed or altered VIN number and receiving stolen property. Powell was arrested on May 4 after Deputy Hoover stopped him for speeding on KY 365. The suspect told the deputy he had purchased the Yamaha motorcycle a few months earlier, but could provide no proof and the VIN number had been sealed over with JB Weld, according to the citation.
- Joshua Paul Switzer, 37, of Marion was indicted on charges of being a convicted felon in possession of a handgun, a Class C felony; first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine) over two grams, a Class C felony; trafficking in a controlled substance

(opiates) over 10 units, a Class C felony; being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, a Class D felony and first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), a Class D felony; and first-degree possession of a controlled substance (opiates), a Class D felony. He was also indicted on misdemeanors for third-degree possession of a controlled substance, second-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana and trafficking in marijuana. The charges stem from an investigation on Aug. 26 by Deputy George Foster, who had gone to a residence on Shady Lane in Marion to serve an arrest warrant.

- Teri Lee Bell, 49, of Dycusburg was indicted on three counts of being a convicted felon in possession of a handgun, Class C felonies. Court records indicate that on Aug. 24, Trooper Darrin Holliman was assisting probation and parole officers to conduct a home visit at the suspect’s residence on Dycus Road. At the home, investigators found multiple weapons and handgun accessories.

Hit-and-run crash sends man to prison

STAFF REPORT

A 22-year-old Marion man has been sentenced to two years in prison for a hit-and-run crash that severely injured a Dycusburg woman on June 28 on KY 70.

Investigating authorities said Aaron Dickey, an unlicensed driver, was operating a pickup truck that entered the state highway from Mexico Church Road into the path of a southbound vehicle driven by Jaretta Lafan, 59, who was airlifted from the scene. Lafan suffered multiple injuries and was trapped in her vehicle until rescue personnel freed her.

Witnesses told deputies, who arrived after the crash, that Dickey had left the scene on foot. A female passenger in Dickey’s vehicle identified him as the driver. He was arrested later on the day of the wreck in another part of Crittenden County.

Circuit Judge Rene Williams recently ordered Dickey to begin serving his sentence immediately. He was given two years for a felony charge of failure to render aid or assistance with death or serious injury possible and 90 days for driving without a license. The terms will run concurrently.

In other cases before Judge Williams in September:

- James Matthew Belt, 23, of Eddyville, pleaded guilty to a felony charge of first-degree criminal mischief by complicity. He and two other co-defendants were caught on videotape April 30, 2020 damaging a church yard and cemetery in excess of \$1,000 in damage.
- The incident took place at Crooked Creek Church.
- The defendant got a vehicle stuck in the cemetery and used headstones to put under vehicle tires, trying to get traction in the mud.
- Belt was given pretrial diversion for five years and ordered to pay his share of the restitution.
- He also pleaded guilty to a March 2020 Union County case where he was charged with fleeing or evading police, resisting arrest, first-degree criminal mischief, third-degree escape and alcohol intoxication. In that case, he received another five-year diverted sentence.
- Under terms of pretrial diversion, an individual can see the charges dismissed if they don’t get in further trouble for the term of the diversion. In Belt’s case, he will face a 10-year sentence if he doesn’t stay trouble free.
- Christopher Swan, 30, of Marion had his probation revoked for absconding and was ordered to begin serving the balance of a five-year sentence from a 2017 conviction for felony unlawful transaction with a minor for providing marijuana to an underage person. Swan had previously seen his pretrial diversion set aside after violating terms of his original probation on the felony conviction.



Home for County Administrative Offices

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom holds up a map of Industrial Park South, for which a survey was just completed. The county plans to move its administrative offices to Marion Ed-Tech Center, which is in the industrial park. A number of public entities or quasi-public agencies own property in the industrial park. The county is trying to consolidate ownership of the building and adjacent properties prior to entering into a construction contract to renovate and expand the Ed-Tech Center for its use. A new courthouse is being built downtown to replace the current structure. County government will not be in the new justice center building, only courts of law. The county and city are swapping deeds, transferring the Ed-Tech building ownership to the county in exchange for the former hospital laundry building on Nichols Avenue. County Attorney Rebecca Johnson advised magistrates last week that the county needs to work diligently toward consolidating ownership of a couple of other adjoining parcels in the industrial park. The West Kentucky Industrial Foundation and other agencies have ownership positions in real estate inside the industrial park. Renovation and expansion of the Ed-Tech Center to accommodate county offices has been estimated at \$1.6 million. The county will foot the bill for that project by selling municipal bonds. The new courthouse downtown will cost an estimated \$12 million. Those funds will be provided by state government, also financed through a bond sale issued by the commonwealth.

LIGHT

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tersection. When traffic was backed up six vehicles deep in any direction, the sixth one was able to pass through the intersection in about 40 seconds. That’s quicker than a typical red cycle at the light.

State highway engineers have also used some traffic counting methods and devices drawn across the street the past few weeks.

So now they’re armed with data and observational information that will help them decide if the intersection would be best fitted with a four-way stop. If so, Marion will truly become a one-light town.

City Administrator Adam Ledford said at Monday’s city council meeting that the transportation department is ready to recommend doing away with the light in lieu of a four-way stop.

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56-YEAR-OLD MAN DIES IN LOLA FIRE

A Salem man died in a house fire last week that apparently started at the kitchen stove. Salem Fire Department was summoned to the scene shortly before 4:30 p.m., Friday. When they arrived, the house was filled with smoke, but the fire had extinguished itself. Inside the home on Ditney Road (KY 838) just east of Lola they found 56-year-old Tony Murray in the bathroom. See obituary page 2.

Salem Fire Chief Daniel Newcomb said it appeared that a grease fire had developed on the stove, burning Murray who reached the bathroom area before apparently being overcome by smoke. Newcomb said an exact cause of death was not initially determined.

Murray was the only one at the home when the incident occurred. The homeowner had been away and when he returned, the fire had already gone out so it's unclear exactly what time the incident happened.

Livingston EMS, Sheriff's Department and coroner all responded the scene.

DEPUTY FINDS THREE SUSPECTS ALLEGEDLY BURNING COPPER WIRE

Three Illinois residents were arrested Sunday inside the dormant Rogers Group quarry on U.S. 60 East near Mattoon, charged with stealing valuable metals from materials at the quarry.

Crittenden County Sheriff's Deputy Chuck Hoover was following up on a request for extra patrol at the quarry, which the company has temporarily closed. Once inside, the deputy encountered three individuals actively burning insulation off of copper in a remote section of the property.

Copper is a valuable metal when sold at recycling centers for quick cash.

The deputy detained all three individuals and continued his investigation, which revealed an appearance that the suspects had been cutting open large electrical transformers on the property and then burning the coating off the copper wires pulled from inside the transformers.

Further investigation indicated that the suspects may have damaged several buildings on the property in their

attempts to gather more transformers, copper, bolts and other items of value, the deputy's report said.

Arrested were Richard A. Ward, 41, and his wife Jin H. "Christine" Ward, 35, of Goreville, Ill., and Gene D. Broadway Jr., 44, of Benton, Ill.

All three were charged with third-degree burglary, possession of burglary tools, third-degree criminal trespassing, theft by unlawful taking \$1,000 to \$10,000 in value and first-degree criminal mischief.

Broadway was also charged with first-degree possession of controlled substance (methamphetamine).

All three were lodged in the Crittenden County Detention Center.

The investigation is continuing and additional charges could be possible, the deputy said.

Assisting at the scene were members of the Mattoon Fire Department, Crittenden County Emergency Management, Constable Jason Hurley and Cooper's Recovery.

WRIGHT IS AP GRAD

Austin Peay State University has recognized Jennifer Wright of Smithland as one of the nearly 500 graduates to receive degrees at the summer commencement ceremony on Aug. 6 in Clarksville, Tenn.

WALKTOBER KICKS OFF ON SMARTPHONE APP

Again this year, Pennyriple Area Family Consumer Science Agents are hosting a walking challenge during the month of October.

Walktober is open to anyone of any age who lives in any of the nine Pennyriple area counties, including Caldwell, Christian, Crittenden, Hopkins, Livingston, Lyon, Muhlenberg, Todd and Trigg.

Participants are encouraged to keep track of steps and increase step counts each day during the four-week challenge, which runs Oct. 4-31.

Register using a smart phone by downloading the FitBlue app and click on Game Mode. Click on Challenge and select Join Challenge. Under Search Challenge type Pennyriple FCS Walktober and join by entering the code J8t2fA.

Registration can also be done at the Crittenden County Extension office. Prizes will be awarded. Deadline to register on the Fit Blue

App is 11 p.m., Oct. 3. Contact the Crittenden County Extension Office at (270) 965-5236 for more information.

NEW TRIGG TARP PLANT WILL HIRE 30 WORKERS

Load Covering Solutions Ltd., a producer and distributor of tarp systems for commercial trucks and trailers, plans to construct a \$2 million plant in Trigg County and create up to 30 jobs.

Amid rising U.S. demand for the Canada-based company's products, LCS leaders plan to build a 12,000-square-foot manufacturing and installation shop in Interstate 24 Business Park. Operations at the shop will include production, assembly, service and repair of its retractable tarpaulin systems. It also will provide related accessories such as lumber, steel, general flat tarps and general cargo control-related equipment. Customers in the transportation industry use LCS' products to quickly cover and uncover their cargo.

The new facility also will house sales and marketing personnel. Company leaders anticipate beginning construction this fall and beginning operations by late summer 2022.

To encourage investment and job growth in the community, the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority (KEDFA) in August preliminarily approved a 15-year incentive agreement with the company under the Kentucky Business Investment program. The performance-based agreement can provide up to \$600,000 in tax incentives based on the company's eligible investment of \$1.67 million and annual targets of:

- Creation and maintenance of 30 Kentucky-resident, full-time jobs across 15 years; and
- Paying an average hourly wage of \$26 including benefits across those jobs.

By meeting its annual targets over the agreement term, the company can be eligible to keep a portion of the new tax revenue it generates. The company may claim eligible incentives against its income tax liability and/or wage assessments.

GILL ON SCHOOL'S LIST

Illinois Central College has recognized Brian Gill of Fredonia for earning President's List honors during the Summer 2021 semester.

President's List recognition is achieved with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Illinois Central College is a two-year community college with campuses in East Peoria, Peoria and Pekin.

KSP STILL LOOKING FOR MISSING MAN

Kentucky State Police requests assistance in locating Trevor E. Hook, 25, of Clay.



He was last seen Friday, Sept. 3 in the area of Clay, wearing a black Nike hat, orange cut off T-shirt, shorts, Nike shoes and carrying a black Nike backpack.

Hook frequents areas in Hopkinsville and elsewhere in Webster County.

Anyone with information concerning his whereabouts is urged to contact KSP at 1-270-676-3313 or toll-free in Kentucky 1-800-222-5555. You may also call your local law enforcement agency.

FINDING TIME CAPSULE IS PROVING DIFFICULT

Attempts are falling short to locate a document or procedure that might indicate where a time capsule is located inside the courthouse walls.

Local historian Brenda Underdown recently reported that a time capsule containing a number of items is buried somewhere in the courthouse structure. The building was constructed in 1961, and an article in The Crittenden Press details everything in the time capsule yet did not say where it would be cached.

County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom has informed architects who are designing the new courthouse, which will be built in the coming months, about the existence of the time capsule and the community's desire to find it. The existing courthouse will be torn down to make way for a new one.

CLARKS RIVER ROAD DEATHS LEAD TO CHANGE IN SPEED

The speed limit on Clarks River Road in Paducah will likely be lowered in the coming days.

A number of serious and even fatal crashes along that stretch of road on the east side of town has led McCracken County leaders to call for greater safety precautions to be put into place along the busy four-lane.

Five Marion residents died in a crash with a tractor-trailer there in early August. The victims were Linda Young, 54, her daughter Monica Jewell, 23, Jewell's boyfriend Trevor Doom, 26, Eddie Knight, 44, and Alexander Hudson, 14.

The lower limit will be in place from near Hardee's to just past the Jamestown Plaza Bingo hall, which is a distance of about 1.5 miles.

In the past 11 years, there have been more than 400 wrecks on that section of highway resulting in at least 11 fatalities and injuries to more than 130 people. McCracken County

leader Bill Bartleman has been spearheading the move to improve safety on that stretch of roadway.

COUNTY READY TO BUY NEW BALLOT MACHINES

Crittenden County Magistrates approved a plan last week to purchase new voting machines, which will be available in the next election cycle in 2022.

Most of the balloting machines will be similar to the ones the county has been using for the past several years. However, the electronically-assisted ADA-approved machines that will replace the former eSlate voting system for those with disabilities are slightly different. The new machines will meet federal standards for providing a paper trail of each vote cast.

THROW BACK

THURSDAY

OUR MEMORIES GO BACK TO 1879

10 YEARS AGO

September 22, 2011

■ Area physician Scott R. Graham, M.D., was singled out as one of two solo practitioners in the state of Kentucky who had shown proven success in the adoption fo Electronic Health Records and a demonstration of diligence toward Meaningful Use. Awards were presented at the e-Health Summit in Erlanger.

■ Brian Thomas, the City of Marion utilities director, received recognition for five years of service to the City of Marion.

■ Crittenden County High School participated in the Reagan Centennial National Coin Toss that took place at 14,000 high schools, 120 NCAA schools and at all NFL games. Former Crittenden County Judge-Executive Pippi Hardin flipped the coin to determine who got the ball at the Homecoming game.

■ The Crittenden County Retried Teachers Association held a meeting at the Crittenden County Public Library, where it welcomed new member Greg Hollamon.

■ The Crittenden County Rockets pulled a 34-0 homecoming victory over Reidland at Rocket Stadium.

■ The Crittenden County Lady Rockets volleyball team defeated Livingston County in three tough sets. This earned them first place in the Fifth District and a trip to the Second Region Tournament.

■ Winners of the Charlie Hicklin Benefit Golf Tournament at Marion Country Club were Jeremy Shoulters, Stefanie Hardin, Jason Bauer and Jason Guess.

■ Crittenden County held its annual football homecoming ceremonies at Rocket Stadium. On the homecoming court were freshmen Elle LaPlante and Jarrett Smith; sophomores Ashley Collyer and Micah Hollamon; juniors Callie Doom and Clint Asbridge; seniors Zoie Black and Dustin Hernandez; seniors Jenna Odom and Wes Evers. Taylor Keister and Bryce Willis were Queen and King.

25 YEARS AGO

September 26, 1996

■ Senior Ryan McDaniel, a member of the Crittenden County FFA Chapter and president of the Pennyriple Region FFA, joined Associational Roundup. He attended ROAR, a two-day

The county is consolidating its voting precincts in 2022 so it will buy four fewer scanner voting machines and half as many of the speciality-use machines as previously needed.

County Clerk Daryl Tabor said the county should receive federal funding to help offset some of the cost to replace its voting equipment. The machines will cost \$120,922.

CORRECTION ON CHIEF

A caption under a photograph in last week's newspaper incorrectly identified Evan Head as the Shady Grove fire chief. He is actually fire chief at the Sheridan Volunteer Fire Department.

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



Here is an image of the front page from the Crittenden Press dated Sept. 26, 1996. Digital archives of The Press back to 2008 are available to online subscribers and the Crittenden County Public Library has microfilm of older issues. The Crittenden Press has been published continuously in Marion since 1879.

conference held in Hardinsburg meant to train regional officers.

■ Crittenden County High School senior golfer Kyle Myers was medalist with a par-36 at Kentucky Dam Village during a match against Livingston County. Ryan Perry placed third.

■ The Crittenden County Rockets football team beat Ballard County 36-6 at home.

■ The Homemakers club elected new officers. Club officers were: President - Nancy Lanham, Treasurer - Jerrell James, Inspirational Leader - Debbie Padgett and Recreation - Kim Hunt.

50 YEARS AGO


September 23, 1971

■ Mike Walker and Larry Hearell represented the Crittenden County FFA Chapter as delegates at the state convention in Louisville.

■ Jamies Wiloughby won his second cross country meet of the season, followed by Curtis Turley in second place, as the Rockets defeated Union County by one point. Other Rocket runners were Basil Marsh, Gary Tinsley and Neil Decker.

■ More than 250 Tennessee Valley 4-Hers were at Fontana Village, N.C., learning how they can play greater roles in the development of natural resources. Attending from Crittenden County were Randy Knight, Linda Marshall and Gary Robertson.

■ Frank Head, former Crittenden County High School football standout, was announced as a caption of Murray State University football team.

Crittenden County Detention Center Census				
	JAIL CENSUS		Aug. 19, 2021	Aug. 19, 2021
	State Inmates		73	78
	Federal Inmates		93	96
	Other County Inmates		22	17
	Crittenden County Inmates		10	13
	TOTAL INMATES		198	204
	Weekenders		5	7
	Work release		0	0
	Out to Court		0	0
	Actual Inmate Bed Count		203	211
The Crittenden County Detention Center report is provided monthly to magistrates during Crittenden County Fiscal Court meetings. The inmate count was accurate for the day the report was created.	REVENUE		August 2021	July 2021
	State Housing Payments		\$75,090.64	\$67,192.96
	Federal Housing Payments		\$157,818.36	\$150,589.10
	Federal Transport Payments		\$11,504.36	\$10,841.10
	Lyon Co. Housing Payments		\$23,508.00	\$24,768.00
	Other County Housing Payments		\$0.00	\$0.00
	Weekend/Work Release		\$640.00	\$1,280.00
	TOTAL HOUSING		\$257,057.00	\$243,830.06
	ANALYSIS			
Last Month	Cost of Crittenden Inmates		\$11,168.00	\$12,224.00
	Numbers of Co. Housing Days		349.00	382.00
	Daily Housing Rate		\$32.00	\$32.00
	Avg Daily Population Co. Inmates		11.25	12.32
				\$12,238.22
				382.44
				32.0
				12.55

• Federal Inmates \$49 Per diem

• State Inmates \$31.34 Per diem

• Lyon County Inmates \$36.00

• Other County Inmates \$32.00

Have the courage to set limits

There are few instances of good news that I can imagine that do not require courage in one form or another. Sometimes it is required of the recipient. “You got the job.” “You are going to be a mother/father.” We do not think of these events as requiring courage, but to face them without some measure leaves us with uncertainty and doubt. Sometimes it is required of the deliverer. “There is hope for your situation, but you need to make some changes.” Again, we may not think of this as courage, but its absence can leave us bereft of the encouraging words needed to provoke change.

The world has nearly always been in short supply of moral courage. We are reaping the fruit of the lack of moral courage at nearly every level of society. Parents afraid to place limits on children in the realm of social media is doing massive harm to them. Facebook’s recent admission that it has known of the psychological damage being done to young teens (especially girls) by Instagram is telling. Corporations, entertainers, movie studios, sports personalities or even churches are not responsible for the safe-

ty and health of our children. Families are. Families with the courage to set limits and have honest discussions with children. What is more disturbing than the lack of courage in some families is the lack of support for those who are courageous enough to step in and try to help.

I will be the first to say that we need some bureaucracy to keep things running smoothly (don’t laugh too loudly) and hold institutions accountable (don’t laugh harder). I would also say that bureaucracy is often where courage goes to die. “The system” overwhelms initiative, constructive criticism, and locks out ideas from those who do not hold the proper self-sustaining “credentials.”

I am thankful for all those courageous ones who do speak and do act. Truth-telling can be harmful to one’s career in some settings. It is especially hard in times and places where everyone has come to believe a narrative that is not based on what is right, but what is expedient and helpful to either keep or gain power.

It is this problem of power that corrupts courage as it corrupts everything it touches. It was coura-

geous for those who first challenged the lack of food safety laws in our country just over a century ago. At first, they weren’t believed, then they were attacked. It took courage for some in the tobacco industry to finally come forward with what they had known and been lying about for years.

Today we cannot tell the difference between courage and political grandstanding. There is also a population that is praised for courage when all around are praising them. True courage speaks when all are condemning. There are any number of issues that we really need to solve, but we cannot seem to tell who is being courageous and who is pandering. Global warming may be a real problem, but we cannot even discuss it without taking sides. Representative Ocasio-Cortez’s recent disgusting and cynical display encouraging “tax the rich” does not help one bit with the real problem of inequality. The fear of being labelled a “...phobe” or a purveyor of hate speech has inserted virulent toxicity into solving the pain of those who suffer from racism or have gender identities outside of male and female heterosexuals.

Courage must be based on something other than what we want for our own benefit. We must at least consider what is best for all of us. As impossible as that may sound, it must be kept in mind. Lifting up

others does not imply me being brought down. But if it does, so be it. Loving another does not mean condoning behavior. Listening to opposition does not mean that I must agree, it means I need a better argument.

Our society lacks little. It lacks agreement on truth. It lacks integrity among some at the highest levels (nothing new there).

In “The Fellowship of the Ring,” Gildor, an elf that rescued a party of eventual heroes, said of a small and fearful hobbit, “Courage is found in unlikely places.” I believe that to be true.

Courage will nearly always be met with opposition. Even if the news is good. Even if the message makes things better. The apostle Paul reminded some of his hearers in 1 Thessalonians, “We had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the face of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from error or uncleanness, nor is it made with guile.”

Paul’s words to the Corinthians can also encourage all of us, “Be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.” (1 Corinthians 16:13-14, RSV)

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.

Ground your attendance and service in love for Christ

Question: Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, I’ve gotten out of the habit of attending worship services and my Bible study group. Anyway, my serving in the church no longer brings me the joy it initially did. What’s happened? That’s not like me!

Answer: The Christians in Ephesus were actively attending their church and working hard for the Lord, but they were doing so without joy and excitement. Christ observed, “You have forsaken your first love! Repent and do the things you did at first” (Rev. 2:4, 5). When we lose our first love for Christ, attendance and service can deteriorate into the drudgery of a “To Do” list.

Have you lost your first love for Christ? If you have, your attitude toward attendance and service has changed

ASK the PASTOR

By Bob Hardison



because Jesus isn’t your first love anymore. You have forgotten what it was like to serve just because of your great love for Him. It’s easy to take for granted all Christ did for us in dying for our sin-debt.

Let us return to loving Christ first and then let our worship and Bible study attendance and our service grow out of our love for Him. Ask the Holy Spirit to renew your love for Christ. By keeping our love for Christ in the forefront of everything we do for Him, we’ll have amazing joy and excitement in living for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

Local Events & News

■ The Paris Reunion 2021 has been cancelled due to the current COVID-19 pandemic and other variants in Crittenden County.

■ Marion Kentucky Show & Shine will be at the Crittenden County Courthouse, Thursday, Sept. 23 weather permitting.

■ 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 post church notes here at no charge.

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

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Marion, Ky.
(270) 965-2477
Father John Okoro

Mexico Baptist Church




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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Bro. Alex Kirby, Pastor
We invite you to be our guest
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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.
Barnett Chapel...where everyone is welcome.

Freedom General Baptist Church



Pastor: Ross Atherell
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.

Marion Baptist Church



College & Depot streets, Marion • (270) 965-5232
Pastor: Bro. Aaron Brown • Children’s & Youth Pastor: Bro. Shawn Holman
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

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219 Seven Springs Rd., Marion, Ky. 42064
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Bro. Austin Weist, pastor
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Crayne Community Church



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

FIRST CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



224 W. Bellville St., Marion, Ky.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.

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2 Peter 3:18
PLEASANT GROVE General Baptist Church
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Marion Church of God




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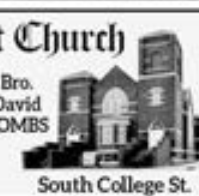
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Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Marion United Methodist Church



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SUN: Sun. School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45 p.m.
Bro. David COMBS
South College St.

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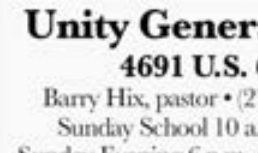
Bro. Butch Gray
Wed. night prayer meeting & youth service: 6:30 p.m.
Sunday school: 10 a.m.
Worship service: 11 a.m.

Hurricane Church




Hurricane Church Rd. off Ky. 135 West
Pastor: Bro. Danny Hinchee
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



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sale

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employment

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Employment Opportunity

Meter Reader/Laborer

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The successful applicant will work under the general direction of the Maintenance Supervisor. All resumes must be accompanied by a City of Marion

job application. A Job description for the position is available from the City Administrator by request. Upon completion of a probationary period, employee benefits include; 100% of the employee's health insurance premiums; 25% of additional family coverage; and vacation/holiday pay. This position will be open until filled. The City of Marion is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Certified Drug-Free Workplace. (1t-38-c)

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will annexed of Danny R. Stone, deceased, whose address was 315 Harmon Dr., Marion, Ky. 42064. Hon. Vance Cook, P.O. Box 70, Princeton, Ky. 42445, attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executrix with will annexed on or before the 15th day of March, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-38-c)

Notice is hereby given that on September 15, 2021 Sandra Rae Dike of 1587 S.R. 723 S., Marion, Ky 42064 was appointed executrix of Marvin Wayne Christie, deceased, whose address was 1587 S.R. 73 S., Marion, Ky. 42064. Robert B. Frazer, attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the

executrix before the 15th day of March, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-38-c)

Notice is hereby given that on September 14, 2021 Terry Millikan of 2815 Easley St., Lafayette, In. 47909 was appointed executor of Billy Joe Millikan, deceased, whose address was 116 E. Gum St., Marion, Ky. 42064. Rebecca Johnson, attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the Crittenden Co. Circuit Clerk before the 15th day of March, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-38-c)

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Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees - Regulatory Basis of the former County Clerk of Crittenden County, Kentucky, for the period January 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Guide for County Fee Officials* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the former Crittenden County Clerk on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the former Crittenden County Clerk, for the period January 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the period then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the former Crittenden County Clerk for the for the period January 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 28, 2021, on our consideration of the former Crittenden County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the former Crittenden County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Harmon
Auditor of Public Accounts

June 28, 2021

State law requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit fiscal courts, county clerks, and sheriffs; and print the results in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The complete audit and any other audit of state agencies, fiscal courts, county clerks, sheriffs, and property valuation administrators may be viewed in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.auditor.ky.gov or upon request by calling 1-800-247-9126.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CCHS Schedule

THURSDAY, Sept. 23
Soccer at Union County
Volleyball hosts Livingston Central
FRIDAY, Sept. 24
Varsity football at Union County
SATURDAY, Sept. 25
X-Country at Union County
MONDAY, Sept. 27
Volleyball at St. Mary
Girls Golf Regional, Murray CC
TUESDAY, Sept. 28
Boys Golf Regional, Paducah CC
Soccer at Warren Central
MS football at Caldwell

FOOTBALL

Friday night tickets

Tickets to Friday's high school foot- ball between Crittenden County and Union County at Morganfield will be available online at TicketLeap.

Trigg now on slate

Last week the Rockets added a game with Christian County then it was promptly canceled a day later. The following day, head coach Gaige Courtney said his football team will now be playing at Trigg County on Oct. 8 instead of at Christian County. The Rockets lost a couple of regular- season games this season when it couldn't play Murray in August be- cause of a COVID issue and Fulton City had already dropped a game it was scheduled with the Rockets. CCHS now has nine regular-season games unless the skipper can find one more to fill out the season. He is looking for a matchup during the last week of the regular season, Oct. 29.

Junior Pro games

Here are the last three games scheduled for Crittenden County's Junior Pro football teams this fall:

REMAINING SCHEDULE

Oct. 2 Union Co. at Crittenden
Oct. 16 Crittenden at Webster
Oct. 19 Caldwell at Crittenden

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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
Wood duck	Sept. 18 - Sept. 22
Teal	Sept. 18 - Sept. 26
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

Archers get 25 more

Archers have taken 25 deer over the past week in Crittenden County, bring- ing the season harvest to 75 since the either-sex bow season began on Sept. 4. Thirty-seven have been male, that's nine more than at this time last week. Livingston County hunters have taken 22 whitetails so far this season. Hunters should be aware that Ken- tucky has activated its CWD Re- sponse Plan, which directly affects some counties along the Tennessee border. There has been no CWD found in Kentucky.



Baker's Half Dozen

Crittenden County's Bysen Baker streaks toward the end zone for a first- quarter touchdown after catching a pass from quarter- back Luke Crider. The Rockets upset Hancock County Friday on the road.

Crittenden 27, Hancock 14

Rockets own grass to beat Hornets

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County will be looking to capitalize on some momentum the foot- ball team gained last week beating a top 10 team when they visit another ranked opponent, neighboring Union County on Friday.

An inspired Rocket offense came to life last week and will need more of the same and a continued stellar effort from the defense to beat the rival Braves, who were undefeated before being upset last week 24-14 by Caldwell County. Union County fell from No. 3 in Class 3A to No. 5 in the latest Associated Press poll.

Tickets to this week's game will be available online at TicketLeap and The Press broadcast crew will be bringing fans the game live on YouTube.

With a firm recommitment to the run- ning game, Crittenden County beat a very Strong Hancock County squad last Friday night on the Hornets' home turf.

Behind junior running back Preston Morgeson, the 1A Rockets rushed for 223 yards to beat Hancock County 27-14. The Hornets, which had lost just once in the past two regular seasons, were ranked No. 6 in Class 2A. They dropped two places to No. 8 after losing to the Rockets.

Morgeson, who had run the ball only six times for six yards in the previous three games, got 29 touches for a ca- reer-high 214 all-purpose yards – 192 rushing and 22 yards receiving.

The Rockets had struggled on the ground in the last two weeks, netting minus-6 yards.

"I was proud of them. (Hancock) is a tough team built on physicality, running the football and stopping the run," said Rocket first-year head coach Gaige Courtney, whose team improved to 2-2.

The skipper credited his offensive co- ordinator Austin Berry (a former CCHS quarterback) for putting together a game plan that was committed to earning its stripes on the ground.

Crittenden scored first when quarter- back Luke Crider threw to Brysen Baker on the team's second series, but the next three touchdowns were all on the grass. Morgeson rushed for two and Crider one. Morgeson scored on a piv- otal final drive as the Rockets moved the chains from midfield to the end zone,



Preston Morgeson carried the ball 27 times for 192 yards, a career high for the junior all-purpose back.

getting two key first downs and chewing up the last three and a half minutes of the game.

That last touchdown was set up by senior linebacker Zech McGahan's in- terception. Hornets starting QB Cole Dixon was shaken up early in the sec- ond half and didn't play much down the stretch. Backup quarterback Kaleb Keown threw the pick.

"This was a big game," Courtney said. "We hate to say that this early in the year, but we needed to get this one with a tough schedule coming up."

After a fumble and interception in the first half, Crittenden made an adjust- ment to its rushing attack in the last two periods, tightening down its re- ceivers and using them as extra block- ers.

"We were able to get our receivers in there, maybe smaller guys, but pack them in tight, run the ball and run the clock out," Courtney explained. "We knew we had to run the ball. Morgeson ran the ball well, the line blocked well and our receivers were in there blocking well. It was a team effort."

Crittenden led 14-0 early but Hancock (4-1) struck twice in the second period. The Rockets controlled the ball and the game's tempo in the second half while their defense kept the Hornets' big run- ning back in check. Logan Willis, who had rushed for nearly 800 yards in the

first four games, netted 95 in the open- ing half, but finished with only 37 more.

"We just packed everyone in there and said we're going to stop it," the coach added.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Crittenden County	14	0	7	6
Hancock County	0	14	0	0

SCORING PLAYS

C-Brysen Baker 20 pass from Luke Crider (Preston Morgeson kick) 4:43, 1st
C-Morgeson 18 run (Morgeson kick) 2:14, 1st
H-Logan Willis 4 run (Willis run) 7:52, 2nd
Noah Mize 11 run (run failed) :52, 2nd
C-Crider 6 run (Morgeson kick) 1:45, 3rd
C-Morgeson 13 run (kick failed) :39, 4th

TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: CCHS 13, HCHS 11
Penalties: CCHS 4-38, HCHS 0-0
Rushing: CCHS 34-223, HCHS 50-174
Passing: CCHS 11-16-1, 113 yds. HCHS 2-6-1, 19 yds.
Total Yards: CCHS 336, HCHS 193
Fumbles/Lost: CCHS 1-1, HCHS 2-1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing
CCHS: Morgeson 27-192, Crider 6-32, Kaleb Nesbitt 1-(-1). HCHS: Willis 36-132, Mize 3-9, Aiden Weath- erholt 1-8, Kaleb Keown 3-(-3), Cole Dixon 7-28.

Passing
CCHS: Crider 11-16-1, 113 yds. HCHS: Dixon 1-4-0, 3 yds., Keown 1-2-1, 16 yds.

Receiving
CCHS: Baker 4-52, Nesbitt 1-(-2), Hayden Adamson 1-12, Morgeson 2-22, Trace Derrington 1-8, Logan Bailey 2-21. HCHS: Austin Volocko 1-16, Keown 1-3.

Defense
Coleman Stone 5 solos, 2 assists, 2 TFLs, caused fumble; Tucker Sharp solo, TFL; Luke Mundy 2 as- sists; Trace Derrington 4 solos, assist; Dylan Yates 6 solos, 6 assists, TFL, sack; Logan Bailey 6 solos, 2 assists; Tanner Beverly 4 solos; Zech McGahan 4 solos, 3 assists, interception; Sam Impastato 5 solos, 5 assists; Case Gobin 8 solos, 2 assists, TFL; Kaleb Nesbitt 5 solos, TFL, 4 assists; Briley Berry 8 solos, 7 assist; Seth Guess 2 solos, 2 assists, TFL.

Players of the Game
Defense Dylan Yates, Offense Preston Morgeson, Lineman Tucker Sharp, Special Teams Tanner Bev- erly.
Records: CCHS 2-2, HCHS 4-1

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Josh James, the father of a elementary school student, testifies at last week's school board meeting. James was against universal masking for students.



School board says it's for greater good to keep masks on for now

STAFF REPORT

Sometimes you do things you don't like to benefit the greater good. That was the consensus among the five-member Crittenden County Board of Education Sept. 16 when it voted to continue mandatory masking at school.

The board was unanimous in its plan to extend masking through Friday, Oct. 15, one week after students return from fall break. The recommendation comes on the heels of the passage Sept. 9 of SB 1, which gives more local decision-making power to boards of education regarding COVID-19 protocol, including masking. The state's mask mandate expired Sept. 16. A federal mandate to mask on school buses remains in effect.

The board heard results of a survey taken by 718 teachers, parents, students and community members before it voted to accept Superintendent Vince Clark's recommendation to continue masking. One member of the community spoke against the plan, vowing he would send his child to school without a mask.

Clark based his recommendation on those survey results, CDC guidance and feedback from local healthcare workers and community members. Illustrating the increased incidence of student COVID-19 cases with the Delta variant, Clark shared COVID-19 data during the first month of school. There were 112 positive cases compared to 79 during the entire 2019-20 school year. Last year, there were 19 staff positives; already this year, there have been 16 staff

positives.

Clark reports that 69 percent of those responding to the survey supported full-time masking, or at least when the county's positivity rate is high. He said 80 percent of school districts in Kentucky are requiring masks to some degree.

"This variant is more contagious and more transmissible, and we must do all we can to reduce exposure," Clark said. Optional masking with a high positivity rate in the community would risk escalating cases further, Clark said.

"I'm pro choice. I want to know why rights as a parent have been taken from me and you tell me my son can't stay in school without a face covering?" asked Josh James, a parent of an elementary student.

"I am going to send him without a mask, and I'm sure I'll get a phone call. Let kids be kids. Quit bullying them. We the parents are getting fed up with it. I'm sending him without a mask, and I'm not taking off work to make my son sit in front of a computer. I'm not going to leave work to pick him up. (Masking) is a recommendation not a law, he's not breaking any law."

Clark said wearing a mask is being a good neighbor to stop the virus' spread.

"We have a duty to protect the 1,300 kids in our school... to make it optional at this time would put us back at risk," Clark said.

Board member Eric Larue said it is the board's responsibility to make the best decision it can based on knowledge it has.

"In the back of my mind, I'm wondering if I don't vote to do this and we have a 4-, or 5-year-old or high school student who might not have gotten (COVID) and died, it would be terrible to live with," he said. "It's an inconvenience, but the way I understand it is simple. The mask does not present a great deal of protection, but when we both have one on, you have some protection."

"Last year very few people under 20 got the virus, but this year the incubation period is much shorter and 2-, 4-, 10-year-olds have it and it would haunt me if I had to think, 'Maybe if we would have done it differently,'" LaRue continued.

The board will re-evaluate its procedure at its Sept. 28 meeting.

In other action, the board:

- Approved 20 remote learning days that will be used separately from Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI) days.
- Voted to continue exploring a potential Test2Stay option, which would be an alternative to students being sent home to quarantine if they were a contact of a person testing positive for COVID-19. Clark said he will continue to investigate the Test2Stay option, under which students receive COVID testing and can stay in school if the tests are negative.
- Approved a \$30 stipend for classified staff who substitute teach during periods of shortages.
- Increased the stipend for teachers covering class during their planning periods from \$25 to \$30.

Crittenden County

COVID-19 TESTING

VACCINATION RATE OF COUNTY

37.2

Percentage Fully Vaccinated BASED ON CDC INFORMATION

INFECTION RATE OF COUNTY

13.6

Percentage That Ever Tested Positive COUNTY POPULATION 8,990

7-Day Incidence RATE IN COUNTY

104.8

RED ZONE

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Totals of Cases Reported as of Sept. 20, 2021

7-Day Total

66

14-Day Total

135

Pandemic Total

1,223

Source: Pennyrile District Health Department

Vax rate climbing with infections

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County's vaccination rate continues to climb, unfortunately the death toll and rate of infection is going up, too.

At least two more local residents have died of COVID-19 over the past week – two active men in their 50s.

When vaccines became available last winter, 29 percent of Kentucky adults said they would probably not or definitely not get vaccinated. That figure is dropping in the face of a relentless virus. Last month, the anti-vaccination group dropped to 20 percent, according to polls taken for the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky.

Almost three-fourths of Kentucky adults have been vaccinated. Crittenden County's vaccination rate climbed another percentage point last week after a 10-point climb since mid July.

The vaccine is available for walk-ins on Thursdays at the Crittenden County Health Department or by appointment on other days. Area pharmacies and clinics are also offering a shot.

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While there is no simple solution, there are many ways parents and caregivers can help children reach a healthy weight:

Eat the Rainbow – An eating plan that includes a variety of colors such as dark leafy greens, oranges, tomatoes, and peppers along with whole grains, lean proteins, and low-fat or fat-free dairy. Help your kids eat the rainbow: make half their plate fruits and vegetables.

Move More – Physically active youth typically have stronger muscles, better cardiovascular fitness, lower body fat, and stronger bones. Children need at least 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

Slow Down on Sugar – Most of us eat and drink too many added sugars which can lead to health problems such as weight gain and obesity, type 2 diabetes, and heart disease. Help your kids rethink their drink by offering water, plain low-fat milk, or 100% juice instead.

Reduce Screen Time – Adults and children spend over 7 hours a day being sedentary – and that doesn't include time spent sleeping! Too much screen time has health consequences; it's associated with poor sleep, weight gain, lower grades in school, and poor mental health in youth. When you reduce screen time, you free up time for family activities.

Sleep Well – Encourage healthy sleep habits by getting your child to bed at the same time each day and by removing electronic devices at bedtime. Children need at least 8 hours of sleep, maybe more, depending on their age.

For additional tips on how to increase physical activity and to build a healthy diet with your child, visit <https://www.choosemyplate.gov/>.

By working together, we can help children make healthier choices in foods, beverages, and physical activity.

For more information contact Ali Perryman, Registered Dietitian, and Kelly Dawes RN, Certified Diabetes Care & Education Specialist, with the Pennyrile District Health Department at the following clinics:

Caldwell County Health Center (270) 365-6571 (Closed every Monday)


Crittenden County Health Center (270) 965-5215 (Closed every Wednesday)

Livingston County Health Center (270) 928-2193 (Closed every Tuesday)


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COVID

Continued from page 1 to reverse damage in the lungs and internal organs caused by COVID-19, Mundy explained.

"An ER nurse practitioner who is a friend of mine encouraged him to come in so they could get on top of it," Mundy continued. "She told me, 'If you keep him at home he is going to die.' And when we got (to the hospital) his oxygen was OK, but his blood gasses weren't. I know now that if he had stayed at home, he would have continued to decline and it would have been harder to get him well.

"It is a very scary virus," Mundy said.

Butch Mundy is now having good days and bad days and is trying to return to work on a limited basis, but requires oxygen round the clock.

"I am less hesitant for people to get the vaccine now, but it still scares me," she said. "People aren't asking my opinion as a friend, and because I'm a healthcare provider there is another level of responsibility there."

Now, she views the vaccine as a form of medication, and all medications can have side effects.

A colleague at Crittenden Community Hospital and Caldwell Medical Center where Mundy now works helped her put the vaccine into perspective.

"He asks, 'Are you taking the medicine I pre-

scribed you? Do you know its side effects?'" Mundy noted.

"It made me think, Coumadin is a rat poison. It's what you give rats to kill them," she said, reflecting on the fact that millions of Americans take the blood thinning medication.

"The vaccine is absolutely a form of medicine and medicines have side effects – some people do fine and some don't on all medicines," she said.

C o i n c i d e n t a l l y , Mundy's husband is now on Coumadin as a result of COVID-19.

Still she wrestles to prescribe something like the vaccine, which she didn't know much about, reflecting on the Hippocratic Oath she took when becoming a nurse – the vow to "first, do no harm."

"While practicing in family medicine, I recommended that older immunocompromised patients get the vaccine, but I told younger people to hold off. The rationale was because we weren't seeing many younger people get sick with the virus. Of course now that has changed.

"I was hesitant to give advice on something that I didn't really know that much about, didn't know what the side effects would be in 10 years. But after going through our personal experience, I decided if we develop a side effect from the virus in five years versus my husband sick in the hos-

pital for a week and didn't know if he would die, I'd take the vaccine and deal with the side effects later."

As for the vaccine, Mundy plans to take it. She has seen enough negative outcomes from the disease and says the health risks of not getting the vaccine outweigh its potential side effects.

When the virus hit home, Mundy realized it can be very serious.

"It scared me worse in thinking that relatively healthy people can have very negative outcomes from it," she said.

The healthcare industry has a better handle on how to treat the virus than it did at its onset in early 2020, Mundy believes, but variants are a reason for renewed concern.

"When Butch was in the hospital, they were telling us that everyone on a ventilator was not vaccinated. So there was a lot of guilt and a lot of feeling like we didn't do everything we should have done to prevent us from being there," she said.

As for vaccinating her three teenage children, she is still undecided.

"I know a lot of people are worried about reproductive issues so I'd hate for my kids to have trouble in 10 years when they decide to have a family, but if they got COVID in six months and died from it, my thinking would have been, 'I wish they would have gotten the vaccine'"