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## MARION WORKING ON WALKING TRAIL PLANS

An expansion of the 1.25-mile walking trail at Marion-Crittenden County Park could be likely in the not too distant future, as could the development of a broader biking and walking trail around town. A Crittenden County Health Department State Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN) grant is helping local leaders and Pennyrile Area Development District specialists to begin developing a wide-ranging plan that might also incorporate some new sidewalks as part of developing a community trail system. Still in the very early stages of concept planning, the undertaking could lead to further development of the existing trail at the park, Crittenden County Judge-Perry Newcom said during last week's fiscal court meeting. Newcom envisions adding additional paved trails that would incorporate public property where the community gardens and armory are located next to the park. Marion City Administrator Adam Ledford characterized concept work being done right now as "early brainstorming." A broader system of trails might even connect the park trails to more at Lake George, which is on the opposite side of town. The groundwork being laid now is part of updating the City of Marion's Master Plan for longterm, organized development.

## A BIT EARLY, BUT ...

Halloween is more than a month away, but those planning ahead for costumes might be interested in knowing that the City of Marion Tourism Commission intends to continue the community's Halloween on Main Street program. The organization that typically ran the event recently dissolved, so the tourism department is taking it over. Plans are for trick-or-treating in downtown on Friday, Oct. 30.

## CAR TAX & REGISTRATION GRACE PERIOD ENDS SOON

Registrations on hundreds of Crittenden County personal and farm vehicles remain unpaid beyond their original expiration date, largely due to a moratorium on those payments issued by the state during the early months of COVID-19. The grace period for those to be renewed without penalty ends Oct. 6. If you don't renew by then, penalties and taxes accumulated since the original due date will have to be paid.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet in regular session at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24 at the Rocket Arena. Additionally, there will be a 5 p.m., public hearing on the proposed 2020 tax rates.
- Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet in special session at 8:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 25 to consider approval of school and Extension Service tax rates.



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## CLERK RETIRING



Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford has worked her entire adult life in the county courthouse. Her last day is Sept. 30.

## Emotional decision leaves office open to applicants

STAFF REPORT

Longtime Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford has said she was listening to a "larger voice" when she decided to retire after nearly four decades of public service. Byford announced last Thursday that she will retire at the end of this month. Her final day at the courthouse will be Sept. 30. The county has already begun its search for a temporary replacement. An interim clerk will be selected by the county judge-executive and that person will serve as clerk through 2022. The position will be on the public ballot in November 2022.

There will also be a spring primary in 2022 to determine party nominees. Byford has been the county clerk for 21 years. She has worked in the clerk's office for 38 years. Her husband, Danny Byford, preceded her as county clerk. "I have had some health issues and I kept saying to myself, 'I can make 40 years,'" she said. "But another voice, a larger one, was telling me, 'Take care of you first.'" Working in the clerk's office at the courthouse is the only job Byford has had in her adult career

after doing some clerical work in Marion and working at Tresslar's department store as a teenager. Byford said God led the way in helping her make a final decision. Chronic back and knee problems and subsequent surgeries made it difficult to continue, she explained. Byford, 63, told the fiscal court about her plans during an emotional statement last Thursday morning during county government's regular monthly meeting. Byford first won election during a special gen-

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## SATURDAY'S FESTIVAL ITENERARY



Sunday at Park  
See Sports Page for Info

- 8 a.m. - 5K Run/Walk at park
- 9 a.m. - Festival Opens at court square
- 9 a.m. - Car Show at Marion Baptist
- 11 a.m. - Live music, Tim Rhodes
- Noon - Chamber awards ceremony
- 1 p.m. - Corn hole tournament
- 1:30 p.m. - Car Show awards
- 3 p.m. - Festival ends



## Festival is downtown Saturday

STAFF REPORT

Entertainment, arts and crafts, food, children's events and more will be featured at Saturday's annual Pumpkin Festival in downtown Marion. A car show, 5K event and the unveiling of the Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year are also among plans for the daylong event. "Because of COVID, it's going to look a little different," said Amy Collins, executive director of the Chamber, which organizes the event. "Due to health guidelines there will be no face painting, pedal tractor pull or bouncy houses," she added. The good news is that many of the event's popular activities will be back,

including the local fire department water hose demonstrations that allow children to spray for fun. It will be in the Farmers Bank parking lot behind the bank, next to the library. Tim Rhodes, a Princeton man pursuing a country music career, will provide live entertainment in town. Dozens of vendors are scheduled for the court-house lawn. The festival opens at 8 a.m., with a 5K run and walk at Marion-Crittenden County Park. At 9 a.m., the court square vendors will open and at noon will be a ceremony where the Chamber will present all of its annual awards. The ceremony will open with the Boy Scouts and Lacie Duncan presenting the National Anthem.

## Shady Grove first student hotspot

STAFF REPORT

WiFi is now available at the parking lot at Shady Grove Volunteer Department for students on virtual learning platforms. The service went online late last week and will be the first of others to come, including hotspots planned for fire departments at Tolu, Caldwell Springs and Mattoon. The school district is partnering with the local fire departments to provide a venue for free internet service in rural areas. Its mission is to make these ISP hotspots available so

students can upload and download school work and correspond with teachers. The WiFi is available at Shady Grove from 7 a.m., until 8 p.m., daily. For best access, park in the lot at the rear of the building. Other active local parking lot WiFi access points are at Kentucky Farm Bureau, Crittenden County Public Library, Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center, McDonald's and all Crittenden County schools. Currently, 422 students are on virtual learning plans.

## Mask wearing brings tears to these eyes

2020: The Covid Year.

It's been a bad one for many reasons, but the optimist will tell you there have been a couple of benefits.

Yes, we spent more time with our families for six months and did more work on our yards or homes than perhaps during any other six-month period in recorded history.

Aside from that, let's brag on our kids' return to school and making the most of masks.

On several occasions when dropping by the middle or high school this young school year, I've gotten tears in my eyes seeing kids wearing masks. It shouldn't have to be this way. But it is and our kids have embraced it. It doesn't mean they like it, but they have accepted the challenge to return to some sort of normalcy - masked up and all.

It's starting to feel a little normal wearing a mask to sporting events, not the ideal situation for a photographer who wears glasses (you know the fog I'm talking about), but we're glad to be there!

My seventh grader misses her friends that she TikToked and compared notes with at her locker at various times throughout the school day. That's completely been off limits, and she rarely sees most of them now. But in spite of the downsides, she's glad to be in school. Beats sitting home for days on end battling poor WiFi.

Hats off to our kids who are doing what they must. They're resilient and we can learn a lot from them.

The new mantra: Wear the mask. Stop the spread. Go about your business. It's fairly simple. And, vote whenever you want!

Our top county elections official, Clerk Carolyn Byford, probably would not fully agree (because it's been a nightmare for her crew, and she's actually retiring soon), but I think one of the positives of 2020 COVID is a change in our election process. I know it has been a mammoth undertaking to completely reorganize the way Byford's office handles the primary and general election this year, but I hope there are a few changes that have staying power.

Tennessee is one of the states that has had early voting for years. I've always thought that was a genius idea and thought Kentucky should follow suit. I know it's the way "we've always done it," being restricted to 12 hours one day to cast a ballot. But in modern times with the availability of technology, I think it's great that we have early, and extended days of voting. Makes it a lot more convenient for the voter. But I acknowledge it has probably been a giant headache for Byford and her staff to work out all the logistics and I applaud her for that.

I also think it's logical that voters be allowed to vote somewhere besides their precinct. For years I used to have to drive 5 miles away from my home and work to get to my precinct before work in order to vote. I'm sure I'm not the only one who benefits from voting in town.

Think about it - you have days and days to vote. From home or in person. It's great! There should be no reason to NOT vote.

The pessimist has his points to counter the positivity of COVID (sorry about that pun) such as returning to school and extending the voting period, and that's well and good.

For now, though, I'll continue to seek out and cherish the best of 2020.



Allison EVANS  
LOCAL COLUMNIST  
THE CRITTENDEN PRESS NEWSPAPER



## Area Deaths

### Wiggins

Harold Wayne "Buddy" Wiggins, 78, of Eddyville passed from this life on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020 at Caldwell County Medical Center in Princeton.



Wiggins was born June 21, 1942 in the Cedar Grove Community of Livingston County to the late Thelbert "Sonny" Wiggins and late Ada Lorraine "Sis" (Stallions) Wiggins.

He was a loving Daddio and brother. Buddy was liked and loved by everyone who met him. He was a retired mechanic having worked for West End Cartage in Melvindale MI, TSI Trucking and Top to Bottom, Inc. in Valparaiso, Ind. He was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by his daughter, Lisa (James) Nauss of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; sister, Debra Coleman of Princeton; and grandson, James Andrew (Jesse) Needham.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister Barbara Roy Mabe; and two grandsons, Jonathan Wayne and John Wayne Lynch.

Cremation was chosen and services may be held at a later date.

Condolences may also be left online at [boydfuneraldirectors.com](http://boydfuneraldirectors.com).

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem.

Dear Daddio/Baby Brother, Our hearts are broken in a million pieces. We love you and you will be forever missed. Forever in our hearts.

### Dickerson

Glenn Dickerson, 81, passed peacefully into heaven's gates on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2020.

At his request, a graveside memorial service will be held at Old Salem Church Cemetery on Saturday, Sept. 26 with Bro. Dennis Winn officiating.

Dickerson was born Oct. 16, 1938 to Claude and Muriel Dickerson, the first of five children.

He is survived by his wife Shirley of 56 years; his two children, Melissa Lindsey (Jamie), Craig Dickerson (Kristen); three grandchildren, Kristen Gilbert (Chaise), Parker Lindsey (Sydney) and Grayson Dickerson.

He is also survived by his mother, Muriel Dickerson, and four sisters, Beulah Holt (Carl), Bonnie Hosick, Charlotte Belt (Bobby) and Lesia Ruschmeyer. He was preceded in death by his father, Claude Dickerson.

Dickerson was a 50 plus year member of Masonic Lodge #81 and served for many years as a deacon of Old Salem Baptist Church. He was a lover of nature and enjoyed many days in his later years sitting on his deck watching deer, birds, and turkey.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Old Salem Baptist Cemetery, P.O. Box 239, Salem, KY 42078-0239.

### Joyce

Raymond Goble Joyce, 79, of Marion, died Sept. 16, 2020 at Crittenden Community Hospital. He was a member of Mexico Baptist Church and United States Army veteran.



Survivors include his wife, Nancy Joyce of Marion; children, Melanie Ford and Shannon Joyce both of Marion; grandchildren, Tara Ford, Breanna Ford, Maci Brown and Maggie Brown; great-grandson, Bennett Tabor; step son, Nicky (Dannette) Brown of Henderson; brother, Art Joyce of Eddyville, and sister, Faye Stinnett of Dycusburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lelan and Stella Joyce; son, Michael Joyce; sisters, Margaret Linzy, Betty Kemper and Jerline Boyd; and brothers, Oran and Randy Joyce.

Services were Sept. 18 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion with interment in Frances Cemetery.

### Rushing

Verna Doris Rushing, age 62, died Sept. 19, 2020 at Baptist Health of Paducah following a short illness. She was of the Baptist faith and worked for Wal-Mart for over 29 years.

She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Ronald "Rollo" Rushing; daughter, Jodie (Roger) Lamb of Princeton; two sisters, Myra (Jerry) Watson of Marion and Joyce Gass of Newburg, IN; brother Jim Maxfield of Livingston County; three grandchildren, Steven, Katie and Jesse Lamb; seven great-grandchildren, Braxton, Connor, Elijah, Kason, Talon, Kenzie and Kylie.

She was preceded in death by her parents Vernon and Alberta Brasher Maxfield; daughter, Rhonda Marie Rushing; sister Pamela Maxfield; and four brothers, Louis, Dennis, Thomas and Joseph Maxfield.

Funeral services were Sept. 22, 2020 at at Morgans Funeral Home with Bro. Victor Hill officiating. Burial was in Crayne Cemetery.

### Schroeder

Rodney Joe Schroeder, 66, of Marion died Sept. 20, 2020 at his residence.

He was a 20-year veteran of the United States Air Force and had been employed by James Marine. He enjoyed cooking and ham radio.

He is survived by his son, Tate Schroeder, Marion; a sister, Marcia Titus, Milton, Fla.; brothers Dennis Schroeder of Amount, La. and David Schroeder, Topeka, Kan.



He was preceded in death by his wife, Kathy Adams Schroeder, and his parents, Alden and Edythe England Schroeder.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 26 at Hurricane Cemetery.

Myers Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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## Library Bingo offering Samsung

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when Crittenden County Public Library joins the American Library Association (ALA) to remind people that signing up for a library card is the first step on the path to academic achievement and lifelong learning.

During September, the Crittenden County Public Library has been hosting Library Card Bingo. Fill out a

bingo card for a chance to win a Samsung Galaxy tablet.

Children that sign up for youth library cards in the month of September can enter to win a book basket full of super hero books, bookmarks and DC superhero swag. In addition, the Library Board of Trustees just raised the checkout limit for DVDs to five checkouts at any one time for ages 18 and over.

To sign up for a library card or to learn more about the library's resources and programs, visit [www.crittendenlibrary.org](http://www.crittendenlibrary.org). Adults should bring a photo ID with a current address or mail showing their current address. Children can sign up with parents or caregivers for full borrowing privileges or sign up for a student card.

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# Resistance to airport annexation changes council

STAFF REPORT

A plan to annex two properties on the west side of town met with stiff opposition Monday night at city hall. So, Marion leaders have effectively postponed a final decision to bring Marion Hardwoods and the Marion-Crittenden County Airport into the corporate city limits.

It was immediately unclear what move would be next for either side.

About a dozen pilots and Airport Board Chairman Jim Johnson attended Monday's Marion City Council meeting to display their concerns about the proposed annexation, which would have brought nearly 275 acres into the city's legal boundary, much of it public airport property.

The pilots argued that the airport is an economic development tool that shouldn't be targeted for annexation, which they think would eventually lead to taxation of airplanes kept in hangars near the airstrip. More than 20 aircraft are currently kept there with pilots paying a rental fee to the airport. Johnson and other pilots concede that public funds have been greatly beneficial to development of one of the state's most modern small-town airports, yet they contend that volunteers keep the facility open and local government provides no operating revenue to the airport. They say that keeping costs low for pilots is key to financial independence.

"My biggest concern is that we lose that hangar revenue and fuel sales and then we won't have the income to keep the airport self-sufficient," Johnson told the city council.

Pilots who testified before the council, some from out of town, say they harbor planes here because airports elsewhere around the region are more expensive and planes are taxed. Most of them are hobby pilots who say an added expense such as a tax would likely force them to look elsewhere to store their aircraft.

Those representing the airport also made a few pointed comments about the way the proposed annexation plan developed, saying a lack of communication probably fostered some resentment of the idea from the beginning. Some labeled the city's action as "tomfoolery" but Councilman Donnie Arflack called that reaction a "boogeyman theory."

After about an hour of discussion on the proposal, including theories of how it developed and ramifications of annexation, the council bowed out of the idea, at least temporarily.

A couple of council members, D'Anna Salin and Dwight Sherer, said they wanted to split the annexation proposal into two parts, one to annex the Hardwoods, a lumberyard, and the other

for the airport. Marion Hardwoods, which was recently granted local economic development funds from a state program, and approved for a \$125,000 loan from the city's revolving loan fund to help pay for an expansion project, wants to be brought into the city limits, according to City Administrator Adam Ledford. However, those who operate and use the airport clearly do not support annexation.

Although the state taxes aircraft, neither the county nor school district has ever approved a tax rate for planes. Crittenden County Fiscal Court has discussed the idea of doing it several times in recent years, but has never okayed a property tax on aircraft despite some support for the notion. If the airport was brought into the city limits, the council would have the power to impose a tax, but they say that's never been the motive for annexing the airport.

"It's an asset and I would like for it to be inside the city," Mayor Jared Byford said. "I am taken aback by the push-

back we're getting on this because we have never said anything about taxation."

City sewer was made available to the airport several years ago.

The council last month approved first reading of an ordinance to annex the airport and lumber yard. When it came time

to consider its final approval at Monday's meeting, a motion to proceed by Councilman Arflack died without a second.

While the council took no formal action about how to move forward, there was some agreement to redraw the annexation plan to include only Marion Hardwoods.

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## Book sale is this weekend at library

— A book sale hosted by **Friends of the Crittenden County Public Library** will be held in conjunction with the Pumpkin Festival Saturday. Browse for books between 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday behind the library. A huge selection of non-fiction, fiction and children's books will be available. Members of Friends of the Library can visit the early book sale's Sneak Peek from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday (today).



## Calendar

— **Registration for Community Christmas** is Nov. 6. Families in need of assistance to provide Christmas gifts for their families should register between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Extension Office's annex on U.S. 60 East. Only one member per household permitted. Masks and social distancing requested.

— **Woman's Club of Marion** will have committee training from 5-7:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24. Committee times will be staggered. Call (270) 704-0057 if you have any questions.

## Library events

— A **Teen Drawing Contest** will be held at 3:30 p.m., Oct. 1. This is a month-long event meant to inspire teen creativity. Meet on Facebook Live at 3:30 p.m., Oct. 1 to learn how the contest works.

— **Story Hour** with Ms. Melissa, each Friday 10 a.m. Due to social distancing requirements, please call to find out how story hour will be held each week. If the weather is nice, story time will be held outside. If the weather is bad, story hour will be held online on Zoom. Register with Melissa to get Remind app alerts.

— **Kids Craft Corner** with Ms. Melissa on Zoom—Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. This on-line program is for pre-school and school age children. The theme for September and October is all about leaves, pumpkins and Halloween.

— **Tech Help** with Carol, 10 a.m.-noon, each Thursday. Need help figuring out how to use your computer or how to download eBooks and digital audiobooks? Get help from Carol Harrison in the library on Thursday mornings.

## Extension events

— The **Quilt Club** will meet at 9:30 a.m., Monday, Sept. 28 at the Extension Annex.

— The **October Leader Lesson** "Clothing Subscription Services" will be held at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at the Extension Office. Clothing subscriptions are the new way to shop. During this class, members will explore the pros and cons of subscription services and learn how to protect ourselves when shopping online. Call (270) 965-5236 to register.

# 'Walktober' to get folks moving

The Pennyryle 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 Pennyryle area counties including

Caldwell, Christian, Crittenden, Hopkins, Livingston, Lyon, Muhlenberg, Todd and Trigg.

Participants are encouraged to keep track of daily steps and increase the step count each day during the four-week challenge.

The challenge begins on Oct. 5 and ends Nov. 1.

There are two ways to register for the challenge: First, using a smart phone download the FitBlue app. Click on "game mode," select "challenge and join challenge."

Under "Search Challenge," type "Pennyryle FCS Walktober." Join the challenge and use code 5yVxV4.

Participants without smartphones can register by calling the Crittenden County Extension Office and keep up with daily

steps on a paper log.

Free pedometers are available if needed. Prizes will be awarded.

The deadline to register is 11 p.m., Oct. 4. Contact the Crittenden County Extension Office at (270) 965-5236 if you have questions.

# Please believe and pray for help

Our blessed nation is on the brink of being destroyed by its long standing enemy introduced to the world in the beginning of God's creation.

Satan is a spirit that lives in everyone until they are truly born again and has God's Spirit in them, and it is always trying to mar and destroy everything God has ever done, beginning in the Garden.

America better remember 'those who refuse to learn from the lessons of history will be forced to relive the same.'

Israel is an example that kept going away from God and He would send trouble to bring them back to Him, and finally he gave up on them and told Jeremiah to not even pray for them again as He would not hear or answer the prayer, "Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, yet my mind could not be toward this people, cast them out of my sight, and let them go forth... I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence." 14:11,12; 15:1.

In 70 A.D., God did just as He had promised to spread them out over the entire earth and cause them to be hated forever. Their only hope is to be born again as all of us, and most will not believe in Jesus so most of them will be destroyed in Hell forever, and what a shame.

My blessed America is on the same course, and my heart actually aches knowing how many times God has given us miracles in the victory of the Pilgrims, our American Revolution, the Civil War, WWI and WWII, and all these other un-

godly wars we've been dragged in.

Now this blessed nation has made legal to slaughter innocent little babies and c o n d o n e d same sex marriage, and we think God loves us more than He did the Jews that He brought out of Egypt by miracles and made them blessed over all other nations of the earth?

How blind and stupid sin makes humans, and animals get a

pass, as God said: "The ox knows his owner, and the donkey his master's crib, but my people do not know, Israel does not consider." Isaiah 1:3.

I'm sick of two things. One, preachers worry more about making their listeners feel good about themselves instead of faithfully warning them there is a burning Hell for people dying in sin, telling them if they once claimed Jesus as their Savior and can still die with committed sin in their lives and go Heaven. Others are told if they pay enough they can be prayed out of Hell.

The second is that there are people in this nation, home or foreign born, who hate it and are trying to destroy it or turn it into a living Communist Hell On Earth. Those are the same people who have never suffered one iota to keep this the best, freest, most prosperous nation in history after literal thousands of our best men and women gave their lives, many limbs, eyes and minds languishing in hospitals over this land. They should be forced to leave it and have to live in China, the evil nation they all seem to love, or North Korea where they constantly risk their lives trying to get out of those places and get here.



**Rev. Lucy TEDRICK**  
Guest columnist  
*Religious and Political Views*

## RESCUE SQUAD ANNUAL FUNDRAISER for 2020



CRITTENDEN COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD's yearly fundraiser for this year is about to begin.

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.**

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# Gold Star mothers organized to provide support

Monday, September 28th, will be a national holiday that most of us didn't realize, and it's not listed on most calendars. It is National Gold Star Mother's Day. Gold Star Mothers were mothers who made the greatest sacrifice in war: they lost a child, almost always a son, to combat. Crittenden County has had many Gold Star Mothers, but I have never seen one of the Gold Star flags. I wonder if any are still around anywhere stored away in an attic or closet.



**Brenda Underdown**  
County Historian

*Forgotten Passages*

The American Gold Star Mothers Inc. was formed in the United States shortly after World War I to provide support for mothers who lost sons or daughters in the war. The name came from the custom of families of servicemen hanging a banner called a Service Flag in the window of their homes. The Service Flag had a star for each family member in the United States Armed Forces. Living servicemen were represented by a blue star, and those who had lost their lives were represented by a gold star. On the last Sunday in September, Gold Star Mother's Day is observed in the U.S. in their honor.

Gold Star Mothers was founded by Grace Darling Seibold of Washington, D.C. When the United States entered World War I in 1917, George Vaughn Seibold, 23, volunteered, requesting assignment in aviation. He was sent to Canada where he learned to fly British planes since the United States had neither an air force nor planes. Deployed to England, he was assigned to the British Royal Flying Corps, 148th Aero Squadron. With his squadron, he left for combat duty in France. He corresponded with his family regularly. His mother, Grace Darling Seibold, began to do community service by visiting returning servicemen in the hospitals. It made her feel closer to her son.

Then suddenly the mail from George stopped. Since all aviators were under British control and authority, the United States could not help the Seibold family with any information about their son.

Grace continued to visit hospitalized veterans in the Washington, D.C. area, clinging to the hope that her son might have been injured and returned to the United States without any identification. While working through her sorrow, she helped ease the pain of the many servicemen who returned so war-damaged that they were incapable of ever reaching normalcy.

But on Oct. 11, 1918, George's wife in Chicago received a box marked "Effects of deceased Officer 1st Lt. George Vaughn Seibold." The Seibolds also received a confirmation of George's death on Nov. 4 through a family member in Paris. They had heard nothing until his wife received the box of his effects.

On Sunday, Dec. 15, 1918, nine days before Christmas Eve, the following obituary appeared in the Washington Star newspaper:

Lieut. G. V. Seibold Killed in Action. Battling Aviator, Recently Cited for Bravery in France, is War Victim. Lieut. George Vaughn Seibold, battling aviator, cited for bravery in action some time ago, lost his life in a fight in

the air Aug. 26, last. His father, George G. Seibold has been officially notified of his son's death by the War Department. Lieut. Seibold was a member of the 148th U. S. Aero Squadron. He was first reported missing in action, though a number of circumstances led to the fear that he had been killed. Hope was sustained until now, however, by the failure to receive definite word. George's body was never identified.

Grace, realizing that self-contained grief is self-destructive, devoted her time and efforts to not only working in the hospital but extending the hand of friendship to other mothers whose sons had lost their lives in military service.

She was determined that no mother would be treated so callously again, and within the next decade, she organized a group consisting solely of these special mothers, with the purpose of not only comforting each other, but giving loving care to hospitalized veterans confined in government hospitals far from home.

The organization was named after the Gold Star that families hung in their windows in honor of the deceased veteran. After its 1928 formation, some mothers traveled to France to view their sons' graves, and in 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mother's Day.

Most of our Gold Star Mother's stories have been lost through the years or more likely, never were told. If we are fortunate, we might come across some memories as we look through the archives of The Crittenden Press. Here are two interesting articles about two of our Gold Star Mothers and how they handled their grief and



channeled it into something for the betterment of their communities.

Dec. 1936 - Death Claims County's Gold Star Mother. Mrs. W. H. Ordway, 75, died at her home in the Crayne community. Mrs. Ordway had been for many years a resident of the Crayne community and was well and favorably known throughout Crittenden County.

She bore the distinction of being the first Gold Star Mother in the county during the world war; her son, Ellis B. Ordway, was the first Crittenden Countian to be killed on foreign battlefields shortly after he was detailed overseas. He died in France, July 26, 1918 of wounds received in action. Some years later, on March 28, 1924 the local post of the American Legion was named in his honor. His body was returned to the United States in March 1921, and was buried with military honors at the Crayne Cemetery.

Mrs. Ordway was popular in her community and was always lending her efforts to the betterment of the community and giving freely of time and effort in all matters that would benefit or serve to enhance civic betterment and improvement, by doing so she was honoring the memory of her son who gave the ultimate sacrifice for his country.

Mrs. Julia Long and her husband, William Ordway, are also buried



**The Mother's Gold Star Banner was red and white with a gold star in the center. The Gold Star Stamp featuring a gold star and palm branch was issued Sept. 21, 1948, honoring the Gold Star mothers.**

in the Crayne cemetery.

From an article written in 1980 from The Crittenden Press.

Christmas was a bleak holiday for the George and Hattie Winn family in 1944. Their youngest son, Harold, was killed in France that year in World War II, July 13, 1944. The family had no reason to celebrate. "I was grief-stricken; I felt as if my whole world had tumbled in, I was on the verge of insanity," Mrs. Hattie Winn, said, "Harold was my baby."

Mrs. Winn went into seclusion for a year after Harold's death, comforted only by a gardenia grown from a cutting he gave her when she visited him at Camp Wheeler in Georgia.

On their way to dinner at the Officers' Club one night Lt. Winn picked three gardenia sprigs for her to wear. Mrs. Winn wrapped them in a napkin and brought them back to Kentucky to plant. From only a sprig it flourished and grew. She cherished the plant and the memories it held for her and her son.

Harold was soon assigned overseas. He wrote her from the trenches of France, "Mother, I don't want to be selfish, but I wish I could be home again between clean sheets." A short time later he was killed.

During the sad days when news was received of her son's death the gardenias were neglected and the cher-

ished gardenias died. This grieved Mrs. Winn and she thought of that bush back in Georgia from whence the blooms came. She wrote her son's commanding officer, and was first afraid to mail it afraid he would consider her just a silly sentimental woman. Finally, she did mail the letter asking for another cutting. But realizing the importance of the plant, the commanding officer of Camp Wheeler sent her the entire plant instead, with his "Kindest personal regards."

The gardenia bush was four feet tall and necessitated the buying of a small greenhouse. Even with such careful sending the plant lived only two years. With a greenhouse on hand, friends suggested the purchase of pot flowers. When Mother's Day rolled around, people asked to buy her flowers and with this, Mrs. Winn became a florist. She said that the new flower business has given her a new lease on life. "I always

loved flowers," Mrs. Winn said, "And the beauty of them and the pleasure they gave to other people, helped me with my grief, and I found didn't feel sorry for myself anymore."

Mrs. Hattie Winn died in 1984 and is buried at Mapleview Cemetery.

I think all our Gold Star Mother's from World War I and World War II are gone now. We will never know their own stories of grief of the loss of the son or daughter, but it's nice to think and remember them on their special day, Gold Star Mother's Day, the last Monday in the month of September.

*(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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**11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 27**  
11 a.m. message by Bro. Jim "Bub" Porter  
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**Hurricane Church Rd.**  
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The most important moment of your life

I really hate to break this to all our young voters, but the current election cycle is not the most important one in our history. We are in no greater existential crisis today than we were in the years immediately after the Declaration of Independence was signed. Or around 1812. Or the 1860 election. In my lifetime I must include the 1980 election of Ronald Reagan (which some are arguing we are just now seeing its full effect). Kennedy was important as well. And Barak Obama is up there as well.

There will be those who may react a little here with an argument that begins, "Well, we have never..." Ok, you are correct. That is always true from one perspective or another. It may also be

true that what is the most important election for one group of people is not so much for another.



Sean NIESTRATH Faith-based columnist

Guest Columnist

A good historian can choose what might seem a minor event and relate it to an event that changes the world years later.

I grow a little weary of hearing that every election is the most important one in our lifetimes. Now, let me say this. It is true. Maybe not in the

sense that campaign slogans intend it, but it is the one we have now. It is the one in front of us. It is the only one we can do anything about. Hence, the most important.

In life, we cannot know which are the most important decisions. There may be some that rise quickly to the top – choosing a spouse, a vocation, where to live. Even these

are based on other prior decisions (not being intentional is a decision) that are not always made by us.

Nor can we know how one event or decision will affect the next. The best we can do is to look back and piece together a coherent story. This is the point of some retreats that focus on finding how God has worked in our lives. Every time I have done this there has been some decision or event that seemed small at the time but proved pivotal.

I am not a physicist, nor am I a philosopher, but there are a couple principles at work here that I think apply to all of life in some way. In nuclear physics there is Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle. My liberal arts brain thinks of it this way – apologies to you scientists who know better. With very small particles we can know where that particle is or we can know its momentum (mass x velocity), but we cannot, with certainty, know both. It is too much in-

formation for us – just beyond our reach.

Another principle can be expressed by thinking about how humans came to be. We can accept that we are made by the hand of God from the earth and not understand the process. Or we can accept that we are evolved through a process suggested by some and still be in the dark as to the moving force that began it all. There are believers who accept some sort of evolutionary process, but we are still faced with the impossible question of time. There is either an unknowable power or life-force (which I believe to be God) or an unknowable amount of time. We cannot know it all.

All this uncertainty and the weight of our decisions is what I believe makes it necessary for us to tether our lives to something beyond ourselves. It will keep us grounded and as Paul says in Colossians 2:8, "See to it that no one makes a prey of you by philosophy and empty

deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ." Making decisions based on teachings and faith that has been revealed over perhaps six millennia can help us make better decisions.

Ecclesiastes tells us "I have seen the business that God has given to the sons of men to be busy with. He has made everything beautiful in its time; also he has put eternity into man's mind, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; also that it is God's gift to man that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure

in all his toil." (Ecclesiastes 3:11-13).

Every moment of our lives has meaning. That meaning is created by our faith (or lack thereof). They all have their roles to play (they are all beautiful in their time). For those with challenging backgrounds this is a long, transformative journey to make. Christians who have not suffered so need to remember this. We do not know the most important moments of our lives.

And yet, I would suggest, it is this one, right now. It is the one you have.

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Loving and serving God and others gives meaning to life

**Question:** My goal in life has been to get a better job so I could make more money to buy a big, expensive house. I wanted to impress my parents, family and friends. Now I have my mansion, but I still feel unfulfilled. Is there something I am missing?

**Answer:** A self-centered life of seeking more possessions is exhausting and unfulfilling. When we get what we wanted, it is never as meaningful as we thought it



would be.

When we are driven by cultural values, our lives become shallow and meaningless. When our minds are consumed with material things, we're out of balance. Meaningful life is not about what we can gain, but about

loving and serving God and others.

Primarily focusing on material things is a form of idolatry. Sin sucks the meaning out of life and leaves us searching for direction and purpose. To realign our minds and hearts, we need to confess to God our misplaced values. Then, turn from all sin and place our faith and trust in Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord.

Life without Christ is

barren, futile, empty, and meaningless. Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" (Jn. 10:10); therefore, life apart from Him is incomplete. A personal relationship with God will change our values and how we live. With God's help, we can live a meaningful life of loving and serving Him and others.

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

Church Events & News

■ Yard Sale 8- 4 p.m. on Wed., Sep. 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. Just down from the Smithland Dollar

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■ 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.

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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)  
CHURCH TIMES:  
Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m.  
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 6 p.m.

Pastor Junior Martin  
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**Mexico Baptist Church**  
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.  
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# Crittenden County Detention Center Census



## DETENTION CENTER REPORT

SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

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.

- Federal Inmates \$49 Per diem
- State Inmates \$31.34 Per diem
- Lyon County Inmates \$36.00
- Other County Inmates \$32.00

JAIL CENSUS	Sept. 17, 2020	Aug. 20, 2020	2020 Average
State Inmates	82	80	97.6
Federal Inmates	71	76	73.7
Other County Inmates	19	15	12.4
Critenden County Inmates	21	18	11.8
<b>TOTAL INMATES</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>195.4</b>
Weekenders	4	5	2.4
Work release	0	0	0.0
Out to Court	0	0	0.7
<b>Actual Inmate Bed Count</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>117.0</b>
AUGUST REVENUE	AUGUST 2020	JULY 2020	2020 MONTHLY AVG.
State Housing Payments	\$77,973.92	\$83,928.52	\$97,321.15
Federal Housing Payments	\$127,295.68	\$133,195.98	\$106,627.07
Federal Transport Payments	\$12,390.68	\$12,116.98	\$9,710.51
Other County Housing Payments	\$15,336.00	\$12,924.00	\$13,392.00
Weekend/Work Release	\$1,984.00	\$2,016.00	\$9,041.78
<b>TOTAL HOUSING</b>	<b>\$512.00</b>	<b>\$384.00</b>	<b>\$380.44</b>
	\$223,101.60	\$232,448.50	\$217,833.33
AUGUST ANALYSIS			
Cost of Crittenden Inmates	\$17,856.00	\$14,336.00	\$10,965.78
Numbers of Co. Housing Days	558	448	340.2
Daily Housing Rate	\$32.00	\$32.00	32.0
Avg Daily Population Co. Inmates	18	14.45	11.1

# Local inmate numbers up 6 months into COVID

STAFF REPORT

The number of local inmates being held in the county jail continues to increase in the post-COVID shutdown era. When the pandemic prompted the closing of many businesses during April, May and June, the court system and general policing saw a slow down in crime and incarceration, some of it by consequence, some by design. In the First Quarter of 2020, Crittenden County Detention Center held an average of 12 Crittenden County inmates per day.

The average dropped to 7.3 during the three-month period of COVID shutdown and now, over the last three months, it's bounced back to 14, which is higher than pre-COVID levels. At the same time, federal inmate averages have gone up and state inmates have dropped. Jailer Robbie Kirk told magistrates last week at the county's monthly fiscal court meeting that the increase in federal inmates has helped the jail continue to cash flow its operation during a

downturn in state inmates, largely affected by COVID-related mandates in the judicial system. Additionally, Crittenden is now the official detention facility for Lyon County inmates which has kept the jail population closer to normal during the pandemic. The jail gets paid to keep all inmates other than those being held on local (Marion or Crittenden County) charges or those serving sentences imposed by Crittenden courts.

# BYFORD

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eral election in 2000. That year, she had opposition in the GOP primary and in the general election. Since then, she has not had a challenger on the ballot, although there was a write-in challenger in 2018. "I really feel blessed to have had the support of the people all these years," she said. Although the upcoming November General Election in the midst of a pandemic may pose some challenges for the clerk's office, she has plenty of confidence in the existing staff to handle the task. The office

has five full-time deputies, including former newspaper editor Daryl Tabor, who was recently hired as a deputy clerk largely because of his familiarity with the election process. "I am just a phone call away," she said about a willingness to provide consulting when needed. Applications for the position will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24. To apply send a letter of application and resume to Crittenden County Fiscal Court at 107 S. Main St., Ste. 208, Marion, KY 42064 or email to brittany.mardis@crittenden-countyky.org. According to state law,

the county judge-executive is responsible for making the appointment to fill the unexpired term of the clerk. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said three individuals have expressed interest in applying for the position, but as of Monday evening, none had formally applied. Newcom has established a committee made up of community leaders and residents to conduct the search for a new clerk. The committee members are Judge Newcom, County Attorney Rebecca Johnson, Byford, Magistrate Todd Perryman, Sheriff Wayne Agent, PVA Ronnie Heady, local attorney Wes Hunt and local resident Shawn Stinnett. The clerk's salary is set by state law. Starting salary for a new clerk is \$77,624.97 plus benefits.

THROW BACK

THURSDAY

OUR MEMORIES GO BACK TO 1879

# 50 YEARS AGO

**September 24, 1970**  
■ Buck Travis edged Nicky Winders on the second hole of a sudden death playoff to win the Marion Country Club's annual Club Golf Tournament. ■ Clark Wheeler, who set the Kentucky Class A high school high jump record at Crittenden County High School with a 6 feet, 2 inches leap, was welcomed to Murray State University by Cal Luther, director of athletics, during a President's Reception for new students.

# 25 YEARS AGO

**September 26, 1995**  
■ The Rocket football team gained a 36-6 victory over Ballard at home. ■ Senior Ryan McDaniel, a member of the Crittenden County FFA Chapter and President of Pennyrile Region FFA, attended ROAR, a two-day conference held in Hardinsburg, Ky. The conference was designed by the Kentucky Association of FFA to train regional FFA officers how to more effectively serve their respective regions. ■ The Crittenden County Band of Pride marched home with a third place trophy from the Western Kentucky Invitational March for Gold held at Heath High

School.

# 10 YEARS AGO

**September 23, 2010**  
■ Sgt. Cody Brandon, a 2004 Crittenden County High School graduate, was featured among Marines on the television series Surviving the Cut on the Discovery Channel. ■ Senior Colin Belt and Junior Taylor Keister were named Athletes of the Week. ■ Lady Rocket volleyball team remained undefeated in the fifth district with their 34-32 win over Trigg County. ■ After sending almost 70 exhibits to the Kentucky State fair, Crittenden County's 4-Hers were awarded with four grand champion ribbons, one reserve champion and four class champions. Winning grand champion was Anna Scnittker for her fifth-year geology exhibit, Maggie Collins for horticulture photography, Emily Hendrix for the home environment division with her signature quilt wall hanging and Mauri Collins for her communications scrapbook. Winning reserve was Johnny Graham as first-year exhibitor in geology, while Micah Hollamon, Marcus Hughes and Emily Hendrix won class champion, also in geology.

# Hurricane Camp comes back from COVID-19

STAFF REPORT

It will not have the same feel without the youngsters piled into the campground, but Hurricane Camp Revival will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the tabernacle near Tolu. The annual youth camp and camp meeting was supposed to have been held in June, but the pandemic changed those plans, as it has many others. Evening revival services this week are at 7 p.m., and Sunday's service is at 11 a.m.

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## RFID CATTLE EAR TAGS

Under the USDA proposal, cattle that will require official, individual RFID tags include:  
■ Beef cattle and bison that are sexually intact and 18 months or older.  
■ Beef cattle and bison used for rodeo or recreational events, regardless of age.  
■ Beef cattle and bison used for shows or exhibitions.  
■ All female dairy cattle.  
■ All male dairy cattle born after March 11, 2013.

# USDA seeks comment on RFID ear tag proposal

In an ongoing effort to increase animal traceability, the U.S. Department of Agriculture is seeking public comment on a proposal that would only recognize radio frequency identification (RFID) devices as the official ear tag for interstate movement of cattle and bison that are required to be identified by animal disease traceability rules.

Public comments will be accepted through Oct. 5, 2020 at the following site: [Federalregister.gov/d/2020-14463](https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2020-14463). After reviewing all comments, APHIS will publish a follow up Federal Register notice. This notice will respond to any such comments, announce a decision whether to approve RFID tags as the only official identification devices for cattle and provide the timeline for such a transition.

"If approved, by 2023 only RFID tags will be considered official identification," State Veterinarian Dr. Robert C. Stout said. "The U.S. Department of Agriculture is proposing RFID tags replace metal tags to improve our ability to trace animal movement quickly and efficiently in the event of a livestock disease outbreak. A strong traceability system is absolutely essential to maintaining international markets for Kentucky and U.S. cattle."

While the RFID tags would not prevent a disease outbreak, it would allow animal health officials to more quickly contain an outbreak before it can do substantial damage to the U.S. cattle industry.

APHIS would "grandfather in" animals that have metal tags already in place on that date; their metal tags would serve as official identification for the remainder of their life.

"The Kentucky Department of Agriculture is dedicated to working with producers and industry organizations to help with a speedy and orderly transition to RFID ear tags," Agriculture Commissioner Dr. Ryan Quarles said. "In the weeks and months to come, we will be speaking to industry groups to help them understand the importance of the switch. As we get updates from USDA, we will pass them along to Kentucky producers."

"We appreciate the Kentucky Department of Agriculture for being proactive in getting the word out about this important cattle identification proposal," said Dave Maples, executive director of the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association. "The transition from metal to RFID tags will strengthen the traceability system by providing information faster and protecting our markets in the event of a disease outbreak."

"I appreciate KDA getting out the information on the comment period," said Jim Akers of the Bluegrass Livestock Marketing Assoc.

# CATTLE PRICES

## LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT

From sale on Aug. 25 at Livingston Co. Livestock Market - Ledbetter, Ky. Kentucky Dept of Ag Mktk News. Total Head 655. Feeder Cattle 496, Slaughter Cattle 110, Replacement Cattle 49. Previous Week: Total 354. Feeder Cattle 311, Slaughter Cattle 29 Replacement Cattle 14. Compared to last week: Compared to last week: Feeder steers traded unevenly steady. Feeder heifers steady to 5.00 lower. Feeder bulls traded 3.00-4.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls traded 2.00 lower. Supply included: 76% Feeder Cattle (19% Steers, 37% Heifers, 44% Bulls); 17% Slaughter Cattle (86% Cows, 14% Bulls); 7% Replacement Cattle (54% Bred Cows, 3% Bred Heifers, 40% Cow-Calf Pairs, 3% Bulls). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 16%.

FEEDER CATTLE		
STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1	165 165 205.00	205.00
2	220-245 233	170.00-185.00 177.10
3	265-290 273	160.00-165.00 163.23
4	330-347 339	164.00-165.00 164.76
12	462-481 468	154.00-156.00 155.32
16	510-546 534	142.00-147.00 144.07
3	556 556 138.00	138.00
5	602 602 141.00	141.00
3	675-680 677	125.00-128.00 127.00
7	726-742 735	125.00-129.00 127.31
3	810-845 833	110.00-116.00 111.94
1	915 915 107.00	107.00

STEERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
4	243-245 244	159.00-165.00 160.51
5	500-548 538	138.00-140.00 138.37
3	585 585 123.00	124.00 123.33
1	620 620 127.00	127.00
1	695 695 123.00	123.00

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1	190 190 185.00	185.00
3	210-225 218	152.50-160.00 155.92
4	291 291 146.00	146.00
9	313-333 321	143.00-146.00 144.74
6	352-380 362	136.00-145.00 139.08
31	402-441 424	130.00-137.00 133.74
15	475-495 487	127.00-132.00 130.14
15	500-530 513	125.00-134.00 129.44
4	570-585 578	125.00 125.00
6	600-640 622	113.00-118.00 115.67
3	650-675 667	111.00-114.00 112.31
11	710-747 733	104.00-116.00 112.89

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
5	302-340 323	123.00-138.00 134.18
10	352-395 377	120.00-129.00 126.01
1	405 405 121.00	121.00
9	475-497 486	114.00-123.00 117.19
6	502-545 520	117.00-124.00 121.05
2	580 580 100.00	100.00
4	641 641 109.00	109.00

BULLS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
17	303-345 319	155.00-166.00 160.55
16	360-397 380	150.00-157.00 154.33
22	405-440 416	148.00-162.00 159.64
19	455-485 467	140.00-148.00 144.06
24	515-540 534	131.00-140.00 138.37
11	552-566 558	127.00-132.00 130.72
6	605-630 626	127.00 127.00
4	655-685 665	117.00-120.00 118.73
6	715-719 718	105.00-110.00 109.17

BULLS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1	340 340 140.00	140.00
14	357-395 381	140.00-148.00 146.34
5	425-441 436	128.00-140.00 136.47
11	465-490 481	129.00-138.00 131.62
6	515-545 538	119.00-130.00 123.09
3	565-591 582	121.00-124.00 121.97
2	615-640 628	106.00-119.00 112.37
1	780 780 100.00	100.00

BULLS - Small and Medium 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
3	470 470 125.00	125.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price Dressing
COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	6	1315-1555 1407 57.00-62.00 58.88 Average
COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	4	1040-1500 1233 49.00-54.00 51.80 Low
COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	2	1295-1390 1343 57.00-62.00 59.59 Average
COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	34	785-1615 1188 50.00-60.00 53.40 Average
15	830-1355 1065	46.00-50.00 48.86 Low

BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)	Head Wt Range	Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price Dressing
5	1510-1950 1760	85.00-90.00 87.60 Average
5	1710-2080 1884	80.00-83.00 81.39 Low

REPLACEMENT CATTLE			
BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Head / Actual Wt)			
5-8	T1 3	1000 1000	560.00-630.00 603.33
5-8	T2 4	1000-1300 1129	690.00-900.00 811.92
5-8	T3 2	1000 1000	700.00-810.00 755.00
>8	T1 5	935-1255 1080	450.00-580.00 532.05
>8	T2 2	880-1215 1048	590.00-680.00 642.20
>8	T3 2	1265-1525 1395	900.00-920.00 910.93
BRED COWS - Small and Medium 1-2 (Per Head / Actual Wt)			
2-4	T1 1	670 670	500.00 500.00
BRED HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Head / Actual Wt)			
<2	T1 1	965 965	840.00 840.00
COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1-2 w/ <150 lbs calf (Per Family / Actual Wt)			
2-4	O 1	1210 1210	1275.00 1275.00
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## LOCAL SPORTS

### FALL SPORTS Senior Recognition

Crittenden County fall sport senior recognition will take place during two upcoming home football games. Cheer, football and band will be honored Friday, Sept. 25. Golf, cross country, soccer and volleyball will be honored on Friday, Oct. 16. Both events will take place at 6:30 p.m., prior to kickoff. Family tickets will be provided to those being honored, while others will be able to purchase tickets through TicketLeap on the Wednesday before each game at 3 p.m.

### GOLF Rockets fall by two

Crittenden County's golf team lost by a couple of strokes last week to Union County at Deer Lakes Golf Course in Salem. Jeremiah Foster led the way with a 42 while Landen Crider and Evan Belt each carded a 46. Avery Belt rounded out the team score with a 50. Senior Sammy Greenwell did not participate in the match. Lady Rocket golfers Addie Hatfield and Brylee Conyer both shot 50.

### FOOTBALL CCMS falls to Union

Crittenden County Middle School lost to Union County 38-0 last week. The B-team Rockets also lost to Union, but by a smaller margin as Jacob Carter scored for CCMS. The home games were the first of the season for CCMS. They played at Webster County Tuesday.

### SOCCER CCHS girls have 2 wins

Crittenden County has already won more soccer matches than it had in the last two years combined and the season is just getting underway. Problem is, it's almost over due to a shortened COVID schedule. Crittenden County is 2-2-1 with just four games left. And two of the remaining matchups will be against teams the girls have already beaten, including Union County. Crittenden blitzed the Bravettes last week 10-1 at Marion. Freshman Lizzie Campbell scored five goals. Others who scored were Taylor Guess, Jaelyn Duncan, Allie Geary, Taylor Stoner and Kacie Easley. Raven Hayes, Jacey Fredrick and Campbell had two assists apiece. Guess, Duncan, Stoner and Geary also had assists. Destiny Knight was the keeper and had six saves.

### BASEBALL/SOFTBALL Old timers this week

The old-timers baseball and softball fundraiser games are scheduled for this coming Sunday at Marion-Crittenden County Park. The events were postponed last weekend due to rising COVID-19 cases in the county. Games begin at 2 p.m., with some batting practice before hand for those who arrive early. Cost is \$25 per player and all ages beyond high school are welcome. This is for anyone, not just CCHS alumni. Call 270-704-0435 for more information. The event is a fundraiser for youth sports in Crittenden County.

### RUNNING 5K racing Saturday

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



# Rockets beat Union, prepare for Murray High

STAFF REPORT

The football schedule has been full of changes already this season due to COVID-19, and on Friday the Rockets will play Class 2A's No. 7 Murray in a game that was scheduled last week on the fly. CCHS was not originally supposed to play the Class 2A Tigers this season.

However, the game was added after moving the Union County game up a week. The Rockets, ranked No. 7 in Class A, beat Union County 28-12 last week.

The Murray Tigers have one of the best players in this part of the state, defensive lineman Sebastian Lawrence. Murray is 2-0 with a couple of easy wins so far over Trigg and Webster counties.

The entire football landscape changed dramatically last week because of the pandemic, but the Rockets didn't miss a beat. They were quick to diagnose what Union County carried onto the field Friday when Crittenden and the Braves squared off in an impromptu game that wasn't originally scheduled to happen until seven days later.

Yes, the virus has a way of turning things upside down, yet the football Rockets knew exactly how to treat the acute suffering that had plagued their psyche for the previous week after losing the season opener at Caldwell County.

Incredible defense, a steady dose of Xander Tabor and a somewhat rejuvenated pass-

ing game was enough for CCHS to beat the Braves 28-12.

Crittenden was originally set to play No. 2 Paintsville at Marion, but a spike in coronavirus in the county turned the Tigers off. So, the Rockets offered to drive across the state to keep their date. That plan was on go for a few days before the whole thing was called off two days before kickoff.

During these trying pandemic times, everyone is expected to be responsive. And that's what Crittenden County pulled from its medicine bag. They offered to play Union County a week earlier than scheduled in order to not miss a Friday night opportunity.

Tabor, the Rockets' senior running back, rushed for two touchdowns and 125 yards and quarterback Luke Crider threw for two touchdowns and 132 yards despite a couple of interceptions.

Union County's offense is built around senior running back Corinthian Seales-Portee, and when the Rocket defense nixed that idea, the Braves tried to work something through the air, mostly underneath the Rocket secondary.

Crittenden held the Braves to just five yards of net rushing. In two weeks, the rushing defense has given up just 71 yards.

Union was able to stretch

the CCHS secondary a bit, but couldn't muster enough to beat a Rocket squad hungry for a win. Crittenden junior defensive back Logan Bailey intercepted one pass and he recovered a muffed punt on spacial teams that probably helped break the Braves' back. The Rockets scored right after the turnover to take a 28-6 lead late in the third period.

Crittenden's Trace Derrington recovered another muffed punt to set up a touchdown and a Union County fumble late in the second quarter recovered by Lathen Easley quashed a Braves threat. That was Easley's 10th career fumble recovery, tying the school record.

Rocket coach Sean Thompson was pleased with the way his team bounced back after losing the first week of the season and commended its response to Union County's offensive adjustments when the Braves' running game fell flat.

"We had a short week to prepare for them so we just worked on some things we knew they did against us last year," Thompson said.

#### SCORE BY QUARTER

Crittenden	7	14	7	0
Union Co.	0	0	12	0

#### SCORING PLAYS

CC-Preston Morgeson 21 pass from Luke Crider (Noah Perkins kick) 5:42, 1st  
CC-Xander Tabor 2 run (Perkins kick) 5:21, 2nd

CC-Tabor 3 run (Perkins kick) :32, 2nd  
UC-Kris Hughes 12 pass from Cannon Sheffer (kick failed) 10:02, 3rd  
CC-Preston Turley 26 pass from Crider (Perkins kick) 1:06, 3rd  
UC-Ben Shreve 10 pass from Sheffer (run failed) :04, 3rd

#### TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: CCHS 13, UCHS 6  
Penalties: CCHS 6-75, UCHS 15-108  
Rushing: CCHS 36-147, UCHS 18-5  
Passing: CCHS 13-22-2, 132 yds., UCHS 16-34-1, 197 yds.  
Total Yards: CCHS 279, UCHS 202  
Fumbles/Lost: CCHS 0-0, UCHS 3-3

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

##### Rushing

Crittenden: Tabor 32-125, Kaleb Nesbitt 2-15, Braxton Winders 1-1, Crider 1-6. Union: Corinthian Seales-Portee 10-15, Hughes 3-17, Sheffer 5-(-27).

##### Passing

Crittenden: Crider 13-22-2, 132 yds. Union: Sheffer 16-34-1, 197 yds.

##### Receiving

Crittenden: Morgeson 5-65, Turley 1-26, Ian Ellington 1-7, Brysen Baker 2-27, Tabor 2-(-6), Nesbitt 2-13. Union: Shreve 9-114, Hughes 3-31, Kanye Pollard 3-42, Allen Elam 1-5.

##### Defense

Noah McGowan 5 solos, sack; Preston Turley 3 solos, 3 assists; Noah Perkins 2 solos, assist; Ben Dobyns assist; Braxton Winders solo, 3 assists; Tyler Boone 7 solos, assist, 4 TFL; Caden McCalister 3 solos, 4 assists, TFL, sack; Lathen Easley solo, 2 assists, TFL, fumble recovery; Coleman Stone solo; Luke Mundy solo; Luke Crider solo; Trace Derrington 2 solos, fumble recovery; Dylan Yates 3 solos, 2 assists, 2 sacks, caused fumble; Maddox Carlson solo; Rowen Perkins solo; Kaleb Nesbitt 2 solos; Preston Morgeson 5 solos.

Players of the Game: Defense Tyler Boone, Offense Preston Morgeson and Xander Tabor, Lineman Dylan Yates, Special Teams Trace Derrington.

**Records:** Crittenden 1-1, Union 0-1



## Keller champion at Stampede race

STAFF REPORT

Kate Keller won the Mustang Stampede Saturday in Muhlenberg County.

The senior distance runner finished the 2,500-meter race in 9:45.79 finishing first among 78 runners in high school cross country competition.

Other performances by Crittenden County runners were as follows: Sophomore Kara Fulkerson 25th place at 11:37.50;

eighth grader Ella Geary 27th place at 11:39.57; eighth grader Mary Martinez 48th place at 12:22.19; freshman Karsyn Potter at 12:38.13 and junior Leah Long at 13:21.48.

The Lady Rockets finished fourth out of eight teams, behind Henderson County, Apollo and Webster County.

Sophomore Rowen Perkins finished 51st for the Rocket runners with a time of 9:49.83.

Other CCHS performances were sophomore Nate Faith was 62nd at 10:03.89; freshman Gabe Keller was 76th at 10:30.20; sophomore Jordan Hardesty was 79th at 10:35.98; eighth graders Asa McCord and Kyler Goodwin finished 86th and 87th; junior Dennon Wilson was 91st and Cole Swinford 95th.

The boys team finished 12th at the meet.

## Lady Rockets playing .500 as midpoint nears

STAFF REPORT

Nearing the midpoint of the volleyball season, Coach Bayley McDonald is moving the puzzle pieces around after a second-place finish in the 2nd Region All A Classic.

Sitting at 4-4 on the season, the Lady Rockets will face a rematch Thursday against Caldwell, which stymied Crittenden's girls in the All A championship game 25-5 and 25-15 Saturday. Crittenden played Fort Campbell to three sets in the opening round 26-24, 24-26 and 25-19.

Against Fort Campbell, senior Cameron Howard had 17 kills and freshman Riley Smith 26 assists.

Smith and fellow freshman Katie Perryman have worked their way into full-time starting positions. McDonald was singing their praises early this week.

"As a freshman, Katie is making big plays in that front row position, learning a lot and has really stepped into that roll," McDonald said. "And Riley has really stepped into her roll as full time varsity setter nicely. She's a really hard worker."

The Lady Rockets will host Caldwell Thursday (today) before traveling to Christian County on Saturday and hosting Livingston and Union Sept. 28 and Sept. 29, respectively.



From behind coach McDonald keeps her eye on the play

Positive Attitudes

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Back from left: Gattin Travis, Caden McCalister, Ian Ellington, front from left: Natalie Boone and Dailey Deboe

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Local youth archer Tucker Boudro has many titles.

# ‘Nerves of Steel’ lead Boudro to national crown

STAFF REPORT

You could say 2020 has been good to Tucker Boudro. You could also say he is a heck of an archer.

The 11-year-old won five state and national archery championships this year and was named the Indoor Shooter of the Year in Kentucky.

Most recently, Boudro won the S3DA National Indoor Championship.

“He has worked so hard for the past three years to get where he is today,” his mother said. “He practiced and practiced.”

Boudro practices and competes at West Kentucky Archery Club in Madisonville along with Emory Orr, Mylie Hayes and Colt Hayes of Marion and Max Clements of Clay, who has ties to Marion.

He also sees a private coach once a week and has a range set up at his grandparents home – Bobby and Terri Travis.

Competing in COVID style, the state indoor tournament was held virtual, with competitors shooting and submitting scores from remote locations.

In addition to the S3DA indoor event, Boudro was the

S3DA Indoor National Elementary Champion, NFAA State Indoor Champion Cub, ASA Outdoor 3D State Elementary Champion and S3DA 3D Elementary National Champion.

The sixth grader who is currently homeschooled said he’ll use the fall break from archery competition to do plenty of deer hunting. It will be the first year he’s deer hunted with a bow.

Indoor tournaments resume in December.

He credits his grandmother for getting him interested in the sport.

“They had a thing at Marion

Baptist, a fun shoot, and I really started to love that and we found a complex in Madisonville and joined. I started shooting a lot,” said Boudro, the son of John and Christi Boudro. “It took me a while to start winning tournaments. I didn’t win the first year, I was just beginning.”

Through the years, Boudro has developed nerves of steel.

“I do a little better under pressure, I don’t know why, but I just do,” he said. “People that I know say I have ice in my veins.” That is a good quality to have when your goal is to become a professional.

## Fall Sports

From left to right, CCHS soccer player Taylor Guess battles for possession of the ball; CCMS football player Levi Suddoth is being tackled in a loss last week to Union County; and Addy Kirby and Riley Smith backing up Emma Water as she returns a shot in a CCHS volleyball match last week.



# ‘Bowl Games?’ There better be if Wilcats go 7-3 or 8-2

What if Kentucky goes 7-3 or 8-2 this year, will there be a bowl game waiting for the Wildcats? What about if UK would go 4-6 — or worse? Could there still be a bowl game opportunity?

According to Kentucky native John Showalter, a committee member of the Taxslayer Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, the answers would be yes and yes.

“Information is kind of fluid right now about everything,” said Showalter. “Yes, there will definitely be bowl games. Each bowl game is doing things kind of different but we always do all operate independently. That’s why each bowl will operate differently this year like any other year.”

The Taxslayer Gator Bowl is played at TIAA Bank Field, home of the NFL’s Jacksonville Jaguars.

“We will follow whatever fan model the Jaguars have,” Showalter said. “For the first NFL game, they allowed 17,000 fans. We hope that number goes up because honestly with 17,000 fans we (the bowl) will lose a lot of money quickly.”

Bowl game dates have not been announced but Showalter expects the date for the Taxslayer Gator Bowl and most other bowls to stay the same as other years.

What about picking teams? How will that work with every team likely not playing the same number of games or knowing exactly what might happen with the Big Ten and/or Pac-12?

“I know there are a few of the smaller bowls that have already folded,” Showalter said. “We are lucky. The Big Ten dropped off us and we are SEC-ACC affiliated.”

Since both the ACC and SEC have stood firm in plans to play, Showalter is hoping the Gator Bowl’s association with the two conferences will pay off at selection time.

He believes bowls will aim for regional matchups if possible. Maybe a Florida-Florida State Gator Bowl. Or perhaps a Kentucky-Louisville Music City Bowl in Nashville.

“For travel and ticket sales, regional matchups will just make a lot of sense this year,” he said. “I would think the Music City would be all over Kentucky-Louisville. That would seem obvious with them not playing this year and the regional aspect of the matchup.”

Normally a team must have six wins and at least a .500 record to play in a bowl. That should change this year even though the benchmark for wins has not been set yet for 2020.

“But the bowls that are left are going to want teams to play,” Showalter said. “Bowls need teams to play to have games.”

One bowl aspect that will definitely change is payouts to teams. With limited attendance at best, revenue is going to be down as Showalter

noted even with TV contracts still intact.

“I know we are pushing back with a lot of other bowl games on the payouts. I know the payout issue is not unique to us. We are working with conferences on that. Leagues need to work with us so bowls don’t go bankrupt,” Showalter said.

“Teams are already saying that may not come for a whole week like past years. It will be more like an away game. Fly in the day before, do a walk through, play the game the next day and fly home.”

With limited attendance, bowl ticket prices likely will be higher this year for those who do attend.

“Fans know the demand will be there, so it makes sense for us to raise ticket prices before secondary vendors do it,” Showalter said. “If we don’t raise prices, somebody else is going to do it.”

“Bowls are not the lucrative games they were 10 to 15 years ago or 25

years ago when everybody sold out,” Showalter said.

Showalter says it only makes sense that TV ratings will increase for bowl games this year. He also wonders what limited attendance at bowls — or other college games — could mean long term.

“Home viewing has been a challenge for a long time,” Showalter said. “You don’t have to pay parking, buy tickets, spend on concessions. There are a lot of advantages to watching at home and I don’t think any of us know what impact this will have on bowl attendance long term.”

Former Kentucky player Tyler Herro was not a McDonald’s All-American coming out of high school. He was not projected as a first-round draft pick before his freshman season at UK.

Yet Miami did make Herro a first-round pick after one year at Kentucky and he recently

made the NBA all-rookie second team and was spectacular for the Heat once NBA play resumed.

Herro loves the underdog role that has always been put on him, including in the NBA.

“I think I’m not the only guy on the team who has been doubted. There’s a lot of undrafted guys, guys who have been in the second round, and I think that’s why we have a chip on our shoulder as a team,” Herro said during his team’s playoff battle with Boston in the Eastern Conference final.

“We all have been doubted at some point through our career and now we are all together in one locker room and feel like we can put it together and win games.”

Herro has enjoyed his rookie success.

“It’s just a blessing to be here. I never thought I would be playing in the Eastern Conference Finals with a chance to go to the Finals. I’m just taking every part of it

with me and enjoying it. Taking advantage of my opportunity,” he said.

“We just got a great locker room. A lot of guys who want to win and our grit. Just championship DNA in our locker room.”

PGA Tour regular Jim Herman grew up in Cincinnati and even though he now lives in Florida, the 2019 Barbasol Championship winner still keeps a close eye on pro and college sports in his hometown.

“We are very loyal fans. We have not had the best run of things in baseball (Reds) and football (Bengals) lately,” said Herman. “I can still remember the late 1980s and early 1990s when the Reds won the World Series and the Bengals were in the Super Bowl.”

“Right now are stuck in the middle. We are just waiting to see what (No. 1 draft pick) Joe Burrow can do (at quarterback) for the Bengals because being a loyal Bengals fan is not easy.”

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## Crittenden County School District COVID-19 Report

School	STUDENTS					STAFF				
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CCES	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	1	1
CCMS	0	0	2	2	10	0	0	0	0	0
CCHS	0	0	9	9	5	0	0	0	0	1
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	1	1	0	0
Maintenance	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	0	0	12	12	17	0	1	2	1	3

Updated as of Sept. 22, 2020

### County’s average daily COVID incidence rate dropping rapidly

Local leaders are breathing a sigh of relief as Crittenden County’s COVID-19 cases have slowed dramatically over the past week or so. As of Tuesday evening, the county had reported five new cases in the previous seven days, dropping it two color levels below the so-called “red” zone on the state’s color-coded map that identifies the incidence rate of cases on a rolling seven-day average. Crittenden has gone from one of the highest average daily incidence rates in the state earlier this month to a “yellow” level, which is the next to lowest on the four-color state map that’s used for a number of guidelines and recommendations, including whether to close schools to in-person in-

struction.

Meanwhile, the school’s are reporting no active cases of COVID-19 among students.

Crittenden’s incidence rate based on the state’s formula was over 40 just a few days ago. As of Tuesday, the county’s rate for Sept. 16 through Sept. 22 was 8.1 (based on the state’s formula of average daily cases per 100,000 people). That’s clearly in the yellow level which signifies an average of 1-10 cases a week.

The county saw its greatest increase of COVID-19 in September, with 57 confirmed cases. There were 38 in August, 18 in July and only nine in the four months previous to that – March to June.

Sadly, the husband of the county’s first COVID-19 fatality, has passed away. Rod Schroeder’s wife died in April and COVID-19 was one of the factors that led to her death. Her husband, a military veteran, died Sunday. Health officials say it’s unclear at this time whether his death will be attributed to the virus. He was purported to have tested positive in April when his wife was diagnosed. If his death is in any way attributable to COVID-19, it would mark the fourth in this county.

The last five cases reported were all females, ages 21, 42, 83, 51 and 77. All were reportedly self-isolating and recovering at home.



A group of women held a candlelight vigil Saturday night to recognize the contributions the late Ruth Bader Ginsburg made to women’s rights and other human rights issues. Ginsburg, a member of the U.S. Supreme Court since 1993, died Friday.

## Judges are endorsing longer term

STAFF REPORT  
The Kentucky District Judges Association is endorsing passage of Constitutional Amendment 2 on Kentucky’s Nov. 3 ballot.

The proposed amendment would extend the terms of commonwealth’s attorneys and district judges, and will increase the licensure requirement for candidates for district court judge from 2 years to 8 years.

The proposal would increase the office terms of commonwealth’s attorneys from 6 years to 8 years starting in 2030, and increase the office terms of district judges from 4 years to 8 years starting in 2022.

The association says it supports the amendment because it will “increase the public’s perception and confidence in the judiciary.”

### Political signs being removed

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) crews are removing illegally placed items along state-maintained right-of-way.

Political candidates, residents, business operators and property owners should be aware that no signage is allowed on state right-of-way other than official highway signs and items approved through a permit process. This includes all U.S. highways and state routes.

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## First 3 story building

The old Masonic Lodge was Marion’s first three-story building. It was named for Harvey W. Bigham, who in 1942 was the town’s first county clerk. This building was destroyed by the devastating 1905 fire, along with many other buildings downtown.

Originally just two stories, the third level was added in 1926. The third floor was the Masonic Lodge Hall where the Masons held their meetings and ceremonies. The other two floors originally housed a department store. Hunt’s Department Store was the last to operate there. It closed in 2004. The building was briefly a restaurant after that.

Next door is a companion building that in 1926 was renovated to include a third floor as well so it would match the one next to it.

Ted Frazer and Gleaford Rankin, two young pharmacists, operated City Drug Store there. The drug store included a soda fountain and featured hand-dipped ice cream. It was a favorite hangout for

teens and young adults after ballgames, on date nights or after the picture show.

The pharmacists mixed their own medications and filled capsules for customers. They were on call 24 hours, seven days a week. The original City Drug Store closed May 13, 1992. It was reopened a few years later as an ice cream and sandwich shop, but is now vacant.

Next door to the City Drug Store was the popular Ben Franklin Store, sometimes called the Five and Dime. It was a national chain like Walmart is today. It first opened in 1932. Among the most memorable features of the Ben Franklin Store were the bins of penny and nickel candy located near the entrance of the store where they were the first things children saw upon entering with their families.

The store’s slogan was “A Penny saved is a penny earned” which was first uttered by Ben Franklin himself. This early Marion store closed in 1978 and is currently vacant.



## FIVE-COUNTY AREA

Some information current as of Sept. 18; Cases current as of Sept. 22

County	Confirmed Cases	Currently in Home Isolation	Currently Hospitalized	Recovered Cases	Deaths
Caldwell	140	37	1	89	0
Crittenden	123*	30	0	89	3
Livingston	80*	17	2	57	1
Lyon	70*	25	1	38	5
Trigg	165*	40	4	109	0
Total	547*	149	8	382	9

\*Includes new cases this week. Source: Pennyrile District Health Department

## Leaf collection will return this fall inside city

STAFF REPORT  
Fall officially started on Tuesday and the City of Marion is ready for it. City Administrator Adam Ledford said plans are underway to provide traditional curbside leaf pick up for city residents.

The pick-up schedule was a bit different last year, the administrator said. Plans are to try to have a weekly schedule, which will be published in the newspaper.

Pickup customarily starts in November and ends in early December. The work is normally done in quadrants with collectors removing leaves left on the curbside in one-quarter of the city at a time.

Ledford said there was some concern about where the leaves would be accumulated once they were picked up by city workers. However, it appears they can be piled for composting at the former county dump site.

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