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## NEWS

### COUNTY DEMOCRATS HOSTING RALLY, SUPPER

Crittenden County Democratic Party will today (Thursday) be hosting a chili supper and meet-and-greet of party candidates in this year's general election. The event begins at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall of St. William Catholic Church in Marion.

Scheduled to appear are Democrats seeking local office, including County Attorney Rebecca Johnson and multiple magisterial candidates. Also scheduled to be in attendance are Sen. Dorsey Ridley and challengers Abigail Barnes for the Kentucky House District 4 seat and Dr. Paul Walker, who is seeking the 1st Congressional District seat on Capitol Hill.

### SCHOOL DISTRICT APPS FOR PARENTS, STUDENTS

Crittenden County Schools Infinite Campus has two new and improved free mobile apps – Campus Student and Campus Parent. The apps can be downloaded for all platforms for real-time access to grades, assignments, attendance, schedules, announcements and more. Search for "Campus Parent" or "Campus Student" in the App Store or Google Play.

### KY. VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE 12 DAYS AWAY

The voter registration deadline for the Nov. 6 election is less than two weeks away. Kentuckians can register and update their registration with GoVoteKY.com. Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford will accept online and paper applications until 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9. For questions, contact Byford at (270) 965-3403.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

- **Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees** will meet at 5 p.m. today (Thursday) at the library.

- **Crittenden Fiscal Court** will convene for a special meeting at 8:30 a.m. next Thursday in the courthouse. On the agenda will be discussion of the proposed hospital sale, opening of bids for detention center software upgrades and adoption of Rosebud Cemetery Road into the county road system.



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# Time running out Clock on hospital sale may be winding down

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PRESS EDITOR

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The clock may be winding down on a private health care company's interest in purchasing the financially troubled local hospital, leaving the chairman of the facility's board of directors to implore elected officials to make a decision.

"Time is of the essence here," Chairman Charlie Hunt told representatives of Crittenden

Fiscal Court attending Monday's Crittenden Health Systems (CHS) Board of Directors meeting, "and nobody has their foot on the gas. In fact, it looks like the emergency brake is on."

Rural Hospital Group - Consolidated (RHG-C) of Kansas City, Mo., wants to buy the hospital grounds, buildings, operations and equipment, adding it to an ownership portfolio that includes a facility in Boonville, Mo., and another in Wellington,

Kan., that is close to becoming an RHG-C property. The seven-member board of directors for Crittenden Health Systems Inc. is all-in on selling the equipment and operations. But county government, which owns the buildings and grounds where the hospital operates, has yet to reach a decision.

RHG-C is an affiliate of Rural Hospital Group (RHG), which has been managing the non-profit, 48-bed hospital since Oct.

1, 2017. RHG-C will consider only a package deal that includes the real estate and operations. It has no interest in leasing the property from the county.

Giving up all local control over the hospital to a private, for-profit company appears to be one of the biggest sticking points for the fiscal court. Ensuring the county receives the best deal

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# Further funding for ferry in limbo

STAFF REPORT

An Illinois senator says his state is on board with providing the funding Cave In Rock Ferry wants in order to keep the service rolling, but as of Tuesday evening, Kentucky was still a holdout.

In fact, local officials were hoping that a second straight meeting with high-level Kentucky officials would narrow the gap in negotiations to keep the free ferry service operating past the end of this

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DARYL K. TABOR/THE PRESS

Timmy Penn, a regular at Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center, lines up his shot early Monday afternoon on one of the pool tables at the facility. State funding cuts will force the center to trim two hours from its daily schedule starting Jan. 1.

# PACS cuts will reduce senior center schedule

By **DARYL K. TABOR**  
PRESS EDITOR

The new year will bring changes to Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center and related services – both visible and behind the scenes.

A sudden drastic cut to the budget of Pennyryle Allied Community Services (PACS) aging services will see operating hours of the center cut by two hours, move cooking for local congregate and home-delivered meals to another location and see staff cut. Changes will take effect Jan. 1, according to PACS Executive Director Harold Monroe.

"The driver is that state funds through the Department of Aging were cut 22 percent effective Aug. 1," Monroe said Monday. "It's a \$150,000 cut in a program already short on money to deliver services."

With a growing number of retiring Baby Boomers and senior population overall, keeping funding the same to serve more people effectively acts as a cut. But taking money away is crippling.

"Absolutely devastating," Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said

of the cuts.

Monroe said PACS was already operating under a new budget as of July 1 when,

late that month, they were notified of the 22-percent funding cut from Frankfort. The new budget had taken into account a 6- to 7-percent reduction in available spending PACS had been warned to prepare for, but accounting for more than three times that left the agency scrambling to find a solution.

Of all the options on the

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# KU: 32-cent flat daily fee would boost reliability

STAFF & WIRE REPORT

Kentucky Utilities Co. (KU) customers would be paying almost \$120 more a year for electricity as early as next year if a rate increase to fund "investments in safe, reliable service" is approved.

KU and sister utility, Louisville Gas & Electric (LG&E), announced last Wednesday in a news release that they intend to raise rates for \$2.2 billion in upgrades like replacing older trans-

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# First United Bank scheduled to open Oct. 3



CHRIS EVANS/THE PRESS

First United Bank is close to opening the doors of its new branch on North Main Street in Marion. Last week, company executives were there attending to last-minute details. Pictured are Jason Hawkins, bank president and CEO, and Jayne Hundley, senior vice president for marketing and public relations.

STAFF REPORT

The newly constructed First United Bank Marion banking center will open its doors to the public next Wednesday, according to President and CEO Jason Hawkins.

An official groundbreaking ceremony was held Dec. 7 of last year. Construction began on the building at 305 N. Main St. earlier this year. The 2,857-square-foot building was designed by Kevin Yaste with SE Engineering of Bowling Green and built by general contractor Princeton Lumber Co. Inc.

"The city and county officials here have been extremely supportive throughout our construction process," said Hawkins. "Susan Alexander and the Crittenden County Chamber (of Commerce) have helped, as well. We are working with them now on a grand

opening and ribbon cutting scheduled for Oct. 18."

Hawkins also said the bank plans to continue to be involved with the local chamber, economic development and other organizations promoting business in the county.

Senior Vice President Chris Findley, a Marion native, was instrumental in bringing the banking center to the community.

"This has been such a rare opportunity for me, being able to assist in bringing First United Bank to my hometown," he said. "I'm just so excited about the possibilities for all of us."

The new banking center will be staffed with local faces – Sandy Urbanowski, Marcie Conger and Tiffany Stewart all

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# Fall forest fire hazard starts Monday

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Division of Forestry is preparing for fall wildfire season. Wildfires in Kentucky threaten damage to homes, private property, trees and landscapes. More importantly, they place lives at risk, including those of firefighters. The vast majority of Kentucky's wildfires are preventable, the result of arson and careless

open-burning (burning of trash, debris and brush).

Despite a wet beginning to fall, conditions can change quickly and become favorable to wildfire activity.

"Moderate amounts of rain in a timely manner, rather than flooding, will help to keep the wildfire danger lower throughout the fall," Forestry Director James Wright said.

State law restricts open burning within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. during the fall wildfire hazard season, which run from Oct. 1 to Dec. 15. By restricting burning until after 6 p.m., winds are typically lower and humidity higher, making outdoor fires more manageable and less likely to become wildfires.

# Omer honored by board

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Rocket Way Employee of the Month went to Sara



Omer

Omer for her work as a fifth-grade teacher and bus driver.

Relating her service to the Rocket Resilience theme for the

2018-19 school, Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark commended Omer for being bold, stepping up and doing all that was required of her for the school.

The award was announced at the Sept. 17 board of education meeting.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

# 1st responder recognition

Cash Express in Marion continued their annual Patriot Day tradition of honoring local first responders on 9/11 with cake. Pictured above are (standing, from left) Cash Express' Lorie Curtis, Marion-based Air Evac Lifeteam's Clay Hughes, Jeff Steiner, Lenora Sterrick and Jeremy Caudill, Cash Express employee Phyllis Campbell, Air Evac's Marty Atwell, (kneeling) Jamie Parker, Sam Grau and Johnny Davis.

# FERRY

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month. However, that meeting never materialized as anticipated earlier this week.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom, a handful of area transportation officials and ferry representatives were in Marion Tuesday for scheduled talks, but Kentucky Transportation Secretary Greg Thomas was unable to attend due to a last-minute chance in his

schedule. The local contingent was notified that Deputy Transportation Secretary Paul Looney, who was in nearby Union County for other state matters, would be in Marion instead. However, he didn't show up either.

Newcom was frustrated by the situation. He said others were, too.

Newcom said the deputy transportation secretary did talk to those at the scheduled meeting via conference call and assured them that Kentucky is working to resolve the impasse that could close

the ferry in a matter of days. Newcom said another conference call was scheduled for Wednesday afternoon. The Crittenden Press Online will be following the story late this week.

A temporary contract between the ferry and the two states it serves will expire Sunday unless something changes. The short-term agreement was put in place in July when ferry owner Lonnie Lewis told Kentucky and Illinois that he was losing money and was unwilling to keep the service going without

additional funding. All parties agreed to keep the Ohio River ferry going while further negotiations were held. However, Lewis did shorten the operating hours from 16 a day to 12 hours a day during the interim period.

Illinois Sen. Dale Fowler of Harrisburg represents the 13 southern-most counties in the state. He said senate leadership and the Illinois Department of Transportation believe the "parameters set forth the by ferry owner" are justifiable.

# HOSPITAL

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possible is also a major concern.

Hunt said the CHS board can guarantee "maybe 18 months" before they might be forced to close the hospital. RHG-C is offering a covenant to maintain the hospital at its current level of service for at least three years.

But further delays could make the deal less likely to get done, said Terry Nichols, an onsite RHG executive and former interim CEO of the local hospital. With each passing day, he added, there is a chance interest rates offered by RHG-C's bank and backed by the USDA Industry and Business Loan Program may increase.

The financing rate is key to the deal, which would include purchasing all debt owed by CHS. That is about \$3.9 million still owed for the surgical wing that opened five years ago. CHS is currently paying 8.5 percent interest on the note, but Nichols said at a public forum Sept. 13 that RHG-C could currently refinance at 2 percent.

"We are on no schedule to buy, but if interest rates go up, there are more attractive opportunities out there," he said, indicating other struggling hospitals could become a more attractive buy for RHG-C.

According to financial information made available at Monday's hospital board meeting, CHS has lost an average of \$81,486 per month since September 2017, the month before RHG took over management. That is an improvement of about \$20,000 monthly over the previous 12 months under sole management of the CHS board. However, there is still a long way to go, cautioned Nichols.

"We've made some vital changes," he said, "but it's still not good. They're in dire straits."

That's why the interest rate made possible through the USDA program is critical. The USDA will soon be awarding from a limited new pot of money when Fis-

cal Year 2019 starts Oct. 1. If a deal is not made soon, Hunt cautioned, that money could dry up and squash any hope of a deal from RHG-C.

"Every point the interest rate goes up, costs us long-term," Nichols explained, adding that would reduce what is already a thin margin for potential success.

But Nichols said RHG-C is committed to the community and wants to make the deal work for both them and the people of Crittenden County

"We are kind of loyal," he said. "We're not your typical business guys."

In fact, he said the name of the hospital would retain its Crittenden County brand. The buyer on the draft asset purchase agreement is listed as "Crittenden Community Hospital LLC," but Nichols could not say exactly how the local hospital would be promoted to the public.

RHG-C has been formed about a year, but the partners have more than 40 years of combined management in the health care business, Nichols said. They closed on the purchase of Cooper County Memorial Hospital in Missouri in February, making it their first acquisition.

## Delays political?

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom, Magistrate Dan Wood and County Attorney Rebecca Johnson represented the county at Monday's hospital board meeting. While it is unclear where the majority of the fiscal court stands on the proposal, the sense of urgency expressed at this week's board meeting appears to have been enough to at least add discussion of the proposed sale to an already-scheduled special fiscal court meeting set for next Thursday.

"We're not here to convince, just present the facts," Hunt told county officials Monday, after again outlining the proposal and answering specific questions. "If it's the right thing to do, then you have to do it."

Hunt expressed frustration at magistrates' inaction at last Thursday's regular

meeting of county government, and warned that delaying the outcome until after polling on Nov. 6 could be a mistake.

"Is there a chance this is being held up until after the election?" Hunt asked rhetorically. If it is, "we may not have a decision to make by then."

Three sitting magistrates have competition in the general election, but Newcom, Wood and Magistrate Mark Holloman are unopposed. Two political newcomers are vying for the only other seat on the fiscal court.

Newcom gave no indication that the hold-up has been politically motivated. And Wood, who has said he simply wanted more information on the proposal before making a decision, left Monday's meeting with a two-page document detailing the current draft agreement by RHG-C.

The entire fiscal court was invited to Monday's public hospital board meeting, but that would have created a quorum constituting a special fiscal court meeting that was not called nor publicized as required by statute.

## Hospital tax enormous

Hunt said there is currently no deal on the table from RHG-C. To be allowed to discuss details of the initial proposal between the prospective buyer and CHS board at the recent public forum that drew about 100 people, he said the agreement was wiped clean. However, Hunt did share details Monday of current negotiations that appear similar to those released two weeks ago.

The entire hospital board seems to be in agreement that now is the time to sell to RHG-C.

"No one person is driving this or making the decision," Hunt assured Monday, with none of the six other CHS board members objecting.

Hunt has served on the board 14 years, and his term expires Dec. 31, as does Don Matheny's. At least two other members have expressed, though not publicly, they may be unwilling to continue service

on the board.

Some of the current generalities of the proposed sale include RHG-C assuming debt and liabilities, a pledge to continue funding the EMS under the current CHS contract with Com-Care Inc., continuation of charity and indigent care for a defined period, depositing funds in an escrow account to serve the health care needs of the community like purchasing new ambulances, creation of an advisory board of community members to offer recommendations to RHG-C and more.

Hunt said assumption of the \$3.9 million in debt is huge for taxpayers. If the hospital is not sold and CHS closes, taxpayers would become responsible for paying off that note. That means the county would most likely have to levy a tax to retire the debt over several years.

To sell the property to RHG-C, the county would by statute have to publicly auction the land and buildings. Magistrates could establish a reserve and requirement that the purchaser operate a hospital on the property. But the reserve could be a deal-breaker for RHG-C if it is too high.

There are no other buyers who have expressed an interest in CHS.

The county has the option of instituting a hospital tax, as some community members suggested at the recent public forum, to help run the hospital and keep it locally owned and operated. Eight other counties in Kentucky levy some type of hospital tax, including Trigg County, which recently more than doubled its rate to bail out the hospital.

However, at Thursday's fiscal court meeting, Newcom presented calculations on what it would take from county taxpayers to cover CHS's average annual losses of about \$1.5 million.

Based on PVA Ronnie Heady's county property assessment of \$349.49 million for 2018, it would take a levy of 42.92 cents per \$100 valuation to keep up with the shortfall each year. That is just under 6 cents less than what property

# Callaway named Webster Schools superintendent

STAFF REPORT

A former Crittenden County High School principal has been named the new superintendent of schools in Webster County.

According to The (Providence) Journal-Enterprise online, the Webster County Board of Education named Rhonda Callaway to succeed Dr. Rachel Yarbrough, who retired last summer, as the head of schools there.



Callaway

Yarbrough is also a former administer at Crittenden County, having served as superintendent here prior to Vince Clark.

Callaway will assume her new position on Dec. 1. She has been serving as the Webster County District Director of Secondary Instruction among other titles.

Georgeann McCord has been the interim superintendent since Yarbrough retired more than two months ago.

# LETTERS

## Stores asked to decorate for autumn

To the editor:

The time is quickly approaching for the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce ninth annual Pumpkin Festival Car Show, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 6.

With the festival located around the courthouse, we are asking storeowners to decorate their storefront with corn stalks, pumpkins and fall foliage. There will be a contest – first, second

and third place with plaques to be awarded to the "Best Dressed."

Put on your creative hats and make your storefront beautiful. This will help unify our pumpkin theme.

If the Chamber can be of any assistance to you or your business please let us know.

We look forward to the Pumpkin Festival Car Show and sharing our heritage with you.

**Randa Berry**  
President, Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce  
Marion, Ky.

"This should be a no brainer. They're not asking for the moon," Fowler said Tuesday when contacted by The Crittenden Press by phone. "Cutting back the hours has been disruptive enough. Illinois was quick to ante up and hopefully Kentucky will be, too."

The ferry has operated uninterrupted since 1994 when Lewis obtained the franchise from the former ferry owner after the service had been idled for about a year. Kentucky and Illinois have been sharing the

cost to operate it since that time, spending about \$800,000 annually for the last several years. Now, Lewis is asking for more money.

Newcom said new figure the ferry operator wants is about \$1.2 million. The judge said ferry funding has been flat for about 15 years.

The prospects of charging motorists to ride the ferry is not on the table, say those involved in the talks, because Illinois will not supplement it with state funds and allow riders to be charged.

owners pay in school taxes, nearly for times what they pay to the county's general fund and almost a quarter more than the next highest in the state in Trigg County.

The average homeowner would pay an additional \$322 in taxes based on the average home value in the county of \$75,000.

Also, if the hospital does not sell to RHG-C, it could cost more to contract outside management. In fact, Newcom asked RHG representatives at Monday's hospital board meeting if the group would still be interested in managing CHS should the sale not happen.

"We would be open to that, but probably not at the rate we are right now," answered Nichols.

## Cooper County

Don Baragary, the presiding commissioner of Cooper County, Mo., said the jury is out on RHG-C's ownership of their hospital.

The equivalent of a judge-executive in Kentucky, Baragary said it's just too soon to say how things are going under RHG-C, but said without the purchase, there is no doubt the doors to their hospital would have closed.

"Our hospital board was basically bankrupt, so they were the only answer to saving the hospital," Baragary said. "It was going to close. They were having trouble making payroll."

Like CHS, Cooper County Memorial Hospital was run by a local board and property was owned by the county. Board mem-

bers, though, were elected, not appointed by county government like they are in Crittenden County.

RHG-C purchased the Cooper County hospital for nearly \$3.9 million, which covered debt plus \$10.

RHG also managed the Boonville hospital for a couple of years until the board could no longer afford the management contract. The local board resumed management only a few months before selling to RHG-C.

Baragary said the facility, now Cooper County Community Hospital, offers the same essential services as before and only a few employees lost their jobs. RHG-C plans to build a new hospital there. Nichols has said CHS in Marion is in good excellent shape and does not need replacing.

The hospital in Boonville is not as critical to Cooper County as CHS is to Crittenden County. Baragary is not even sure if his hospital ranks as a top 10 employer in the county of 17,000. But CHS accounts for a full 12 percent of total earnings in Crittenden County.

"I don't have anything bad to say about them," Baragary said of RHG-C. "But as far as giving a reference, I don't know. It's too early."

With major hospitals an hour away from Marion, Baragary said it sounds like CHS is in better shape to compete and survive than Cooper County's hospital, which lies only 20 miles from Columbia, Mo., where health care options are plenty.

# PUMPKINS

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# SRO reassuring to parents

STAFF REPORT

At 7:40 a.m., a smile and a wave can set the tone for the day. It's a positive gesture and a sign of reassurance.

Officer John Shofner is doing just that, two months into his position as school resource officer (SRO) at Crittenden County Schools.

"It's a little more comforting as a parent knowing he's there," said Alison Gilchrist, mother of elementary and high school-age daughters. "He's like an on-campus first responder. I know all the teachers and staff would do everything they could to protect our children, but having a highly trained police officer there to respond in seconds and not minutes is a great, additional way to protect them. I'm very thankful our school system puts our children's safety at such a high priority."

Shofner was hired by the Crittenden County

Sheriff's Department in August to add an extra level of security on school campuses. Crittenden County Board of Education is reimbursing the sheriff's department for the deputy's salary.

"We all have to continue to – as students, staff, parents and community – to be aware of what is going on, but he is another trusted adult kids can go to," Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark said. "He is building relationships and has discussed some procedures and ways we can improve."

Shofner has as many compliments for Crittenden County students as Clark has for him.

"You have excellent kids here, you've got some kids who are going to be movers and shakers," the SRO said in a parent advisory committee meeting last week. "You have some highly intelligent, self-motivated (students) who are

very impressive."

Chris Cook, chairman of the board of education, said employing a resource officer was prudent at this time.

"Crittenden County Schools are thankful to be able to provide another layer of safety and security for our students and staff with the addition of our school resource officer, John Shofner," Cook said. "We appreciate our partnership with the Crittenden County Sheriff's Office to make this possible as well as the City of Marion Police Department's ongoing willingness to assist at any time."

The presence of a uniformed officer provides an extra layer of security on top of safety procedures already in place in recent years – including teacher and student training in the "Run, Hide, Fight" philosophy, active shooter



Shofner

training for local law enforcement inside the schools and buses, K9 Resources drug- and weapon-detecting dogs, metal detecting wands, indoor/outdoor cameras and locked exterior doors at both campuses, among others.

"My first priority is the safety of students; my second priority is the safety of staff and people on the grounds; and my third priority is protection of the grounds," Shofner said.

He had high praise for the general population at Crittenden County Middle and High schools, where he spends the majority of his days.

"I have several high school gentlemen who ask me if I'm having a good day, I have kids shake my hand, and that's not normal from my professional experience," Shofner said.

# New Kentucky license, ID designs unveiled

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's new driver's license, permits and personal IDs were unveiled this week.

On Monday, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) revealed the design of the 2019 identity credentials at a press event at Louisville International Airport. Kentucky's new issuance system and updated credentials, known as Confident Kentucky, offer increased counterfeit protection and showcase a new, modern look that gives a nod to the state's iconic images.

Through a phased roll-out beginning in early 2019, Kentuckians renewing existing driver's licenses, permits or personal IDs, or those applying for the first time, may request their card in one of two versions: a new standard credential or a Voluntary Travel ID credential that is REAL ID compliant. All credentials will be produced at a single, secure location and offer the same security improvements.

"The Confident Kentucky initiative is all



KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET  
Kentucky's new identity credentials to be issued starting in 2019 were revealed Monday. Above, a sample combination Voluntary ID and driver's license is pictured.

about enhancing security and offering Kentuckians choices so they can choose the credential that works best for them," said Department of Vehicle Regulation Commissioner Matt Henderson.

The new licenses and IDs represent a leap forward in safeguarding credentials. The revamped look supports improvements that make cards harder to reproduce, and citizens will enjoy a more durable card that will withstand wear and tear for the doubled eight-year lifespan of credentials.

A noticeable change of the new credentials is the shift from color to grayscale portraits. Photo images are laser engraved on the card and clearly display precise facial features that allow law enforcement officials and retailers to view the photos without the distortion and distraction of color. Laser engraving images on the new, higher quality card material is virtually tamper-proof compared to photo printing on traditional cards.

The new background includes artistic rendi-

tions of Kentucky symbols, like the state seal and state flower, using intricate repetitive patterns in colors difficult to counterfeit. The image of the Capitol has a 3D appearance and the duplicate photograph over the gold look-through window turns clear when backlit. Duplicate photos and information are found on both sides of the card.

Voluntary Travel ID credentials will display a clear star with a black seal indicating it is REAL ID compliant for domestic air travel and entry into restricted federal facilities. New standard credentials will display the text "Not For REAL ID Purposes" – a Department of Homeland Security requirement since standard credentials will not be accepted to board a domestic flight or access restricted federal facilities, including military bases, once nationwide enforcement begins Oct. 1, 2020.

Credentials will remain oriented horizontally for cardholders 21 and older and vertically for those under 21.

## SENIORS

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table – some of which could have seen services eliminated altogether – Monroe said trimming hours at each of the nine county senior centers in the PACS service area seemed the most reasonable. In fact, eliminating 10 hours from the current 40-hour weekly operating schedule of centers will be the only noticeable change for seniors, assured Monroe. Meantime, PACS employees will carry the burden through staffing cuts.

"Services to seniors will not change (beyond center hours)," Monroe said of the new hours at centers starting in 2019. "In a nutshell, PACS and our staff are the ones feeling the brunt of this."

Individual centers will be able to adjust their new six-hour schedule to best fit the local needs. In Marion, the center is currently open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with heaviest usage in the morning and early afternoon. However, a handful of seniors stick around until closing to play pool and visit.

Jenny Sosh, director for both the Crittenden and Livingston County senior centers, could not say what the local plans are. She said all media questions were to be directed to Monroe at the PACS headquarters in Hopkinsville.

"Each county will have a little bit of flexibility with their hours," Monroe said.

Much of the PACS workforce reduction will be seen in senior center kitchens. Currently, each of the centers in the nine PACS counties have their own kitchen to cook congregated dinners at their respective facility and meals

for home delivery. Starting Jan. 1, only three kitchens will be used to cook for all nine county needs.

In Crittenden County, that means the meals will be prepared in Lyon County, which will also cook for Caldwell and Livingston counties. The meals will be transported from Eddyville to Marion to be served on dinner trays as normal and taken to home-delivered meals subscribers. But there will be no kitchen staff in Marion, so dishing out the food will be a volunteer position.

Monroe said meals will continue to be served at centers in the 11 to 11:30 a.m. range. Recipients of home-delivered meals may see a bit of a delay in getting their lunch.

The executive director said PACS was one of the last aging services agencies serving counties across Kentucky to close kitchens. He explained that a half-million dollars in agency reserves had been tapped into for the last three years to maintain services, but that money is no longer available.

"We're just not in a position to do that now," he said, assigning the blame on lawmakers in Frankfort who have cut funding to

aging services for Kentucky's burgeoning population of seniors.

"Even if you left the (state) budget the same, you're cutting, in essence, by the sheer volume of people retiring," he said.

Holding off on the changes until mid-budget will give affected PACS employees time to decide their future. With part-time and full-time kitchen help being cut out and 40-hour employees cut to 30 hours, many will undoubtedly be looking for work. Thirty-hour employees will still be considered full time and receive benefits, though.

Last week, Margaret Gilland, a frequent user of the center and fiscal court-appointed member of the Pennyryle Area Development District board, briefed local elected officials about aging services cuts already in effect. Those include elimination of a caregiver program for grandparents raising youth, trimming homemaker services from weekly to every other week and long waiting lines for a number of services like home-delivered meals and personal care. In Crittenden County, she said there is a waiting list of nine deep for the meals, 17 for cleaning services and two



Gilland

for personal care.

"It's getting very very critical at this point," she told Marion City Council members on Sept. 17.

In addition, she said transportation has become an issue. The vehicles provided to drivers for delivering meals are unreliable to the point the workers often use their own vehicles, she claimed. And PACS Transportation has moved hubs from senior centers to central locations, still offering free rides within a person's county of residence but charging 71 cents per mile for out-of-county travel.

"I don't see anything on the horizon that suggests this won't continue," Monroe said of cuts affecting the agency's mission to reduce and alleviate poverty in the Pennyryle Region. "Our concern is, if this continues, we don't have much more we can cut."

Newcom said the cuts to aging services in Kentucky are troubling.

"The problem is, nobody knows where that money's gone," Newcom said. "Federal money into the state has increased, but state dollars (for aging services) keep getting cut."

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Crittenden County School Board District 2

- I have been married 35 ½ years to David. We have one daughter, Jennifer, who is a nurse at Livingston Hospital, and 2 grandchildren. Kenzie is in kindergarten at CCES and Jaxon will start kindergarten next year.
- I am a Registered Respiratory Therapist with a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Leadership. I have been employed at Livingston Hospital for 32 years and have been the Director of Respiratory for 16 years.
- I served 8 years on the Board of Education from 1999-2006 while my daughter was in school.
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## County fare

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce hosted its third annual Farm to Table Dinner last Thursday night on the lawn at Marion First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The event was attended by almost 40 diners, who raved about the beef roast, cushaw squash, roasted potatoes, vegetable chowder, Amish sourdough bread and red velvet cake and apple pie for dessert. All of the table fare was grown or produced in Crittenden County and the FFA Chapter served those who attended. David Perryman, who along with his daughter Mary operate a vegetable and fruit stand on Crittenden Springs Road, was the keynote speaker. He explained the ups and downs and ins and outs of large-scale gardening. To hear Perryman's speech in its entirety, go to The Press Online.



## ELECTRIC

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mission equipment like poles, the utilities' hazardous tree removal program, natural gas pipe replacements and power plant investments to improve performance and reliability, according to the release.

The increase KU plans to propose would mean an increase of a flat 32 cents per day, or an average of \$9.73 per month. That amounts to \$116.80 per year.

KU serves Marion and portions of rural Crittenden County. The last utility rate increase went into effect in July of last year.

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) is expected to hold a meeting to solicit public comments sometime early next year on the proposal. A final decision will be made by the commission, which is tasked with balancing the interests of rate payers with the interests of utilities, within 10 months of the application date. KU plans to submit its application by Friday.

Earlier this year, the commission rejected KU's plan to require smart meters for 531,000 customers or foot a monthly opt-out penalty. The utility estimated that the capital cost of the new meter systems would be \$146.7 million for KU. The cost to deploy the

new meters would have been an additional \$15.2 million.

The latest rate increase proposal is necessary, the utility company said in a news release, in order to continue improvements. In the last seven years, LG&E and KU have seen a roughly 35 percent decline in electric service interruptions, excluding outages from extreme storms. When outages do occur, they are 34 percent shorter than in 2010, the release noted.

"We are continually enhancing our system to ensure we are providing our customers safe and reliable service now and for years to come," said Paul W. Thompson, the chairman, CEO and president of LG&E and KU. "We want to provide the best possible value and service while offering our customers tools to manage their energy usage and options and offer energy choices and drive economic development."

KU last filed for a rate increase in November 2016. A settlement was reached in April 2017 and later amended by the commission.

The utility's current average electric residential rate is approximately 23 percent lower than other similar U.S. utilities, according to last week's news release.

*(Editor's note: The Louisville Courier-Journal contributed to this story.)*

## BANK

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call Crittenden County home. Heather Engler is a Caldwell County native, and Amy Mosley is a recent Crittenden County High School graduate. Together, they bring more than 50 years of banking experience to the Marion banking center.

The bank lobby will be open Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4

p.m. and the drive-through will be open until 4:30 p.m. On Fridays, the bank lobby will be open until 5 p.m. and the drive-through will remain open until 5:30 p.m. The drive-through will also be open Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. There is a drive-up ATM available 24 hours a day on the south side of the banking center.

First United Bank also has banking centers in Madisonville, Beaver Dam and Earlington.

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11 a.m.	Dash for Cash.....	Court Street
11 a.m.-12 p.m.	Beauty Contest.....	1st CP Fellowship Hall
11 a.m.-12 p.m.	Corn Hole Tournament.....	Court Street
12 p.m.	Boy Scouts Presentation of Colors & National Anthem .....	Stage
12 p.m.-1 p.m.	Katrina Myers' Daughters .....	Stage
1 p.m.- 2 p.m.	FFA Pedal Tractor Pull.....	W. Carlisle Street
1 p.m.- 2 p.m.	WMJL Music.....	Stage
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# Traffic schools generate millions for court system

STAFF AND WIRE REPORT

Traffic school in Crittenden County is making better drivers and putting thousands of dollars back into the operation of the county's judicial system.

Recently, state Auditor Mike Harmon released a data bulletin on the County Attorney Traffic Safety (CATS) Program in Kentucky that showed in Fiscal Year 2017, about \$3.53 million was generated through the initiative. Most of that money comes back to the 92 county attorneys who have implemented CATS within their jurisdiction, including Crittenden County Attorney Rebecca Johnson.

In Crittenden County in 2017, Johnson's office saw 147 drivers take the safety course in order to avoid paying a citation and having it appear on their driving record. In February 2017, the fee for the course was raised from \$106 to \$125, and generated about \$18,000 for the year, according to Johnson. Of that, close to \$15,000 came back for operation of her office.

Johnson said the focus

of the program is to remind ticketed drivers of traffic safety that could save lives. It also offers a break on misdemeanor violations.

"If the driver attends the class and has no other driving offenses within the succeeding six months, the ticket is dismissed," the county attorney said. "The advantage to the driver is that they have had a refresher course which will hopefully prevent future violations."

The driver can also avoid a possible increase in insurance rates and loss of points on their license. In addition, the cost of the program is less than the fees and costs associated with the ticket if they were to plead guilty to the offense.

The traffic safety program replaces the previous court practice of simply ordering a pretrial diversion on these violations.

Statewide, 34,155 participants completed the CATS program in 2017, down about 1,800 from the year before. But total revenue collected was \$4.39 million.

While the bulk of the money comes back to county prosecutors, \$25 of the total fee in each county is redistributed to deputy circuit clerks in all 120 counties. In 2017, 1,603 full-time deputies received a one-time \$409.07 boost in their pay, while 111 part-timers earned an extra \$204.54. Johnson paid \$3,675 directly to Crittenden County Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill for deputy salaries.

"The balance is used to pay the deputy sheriff and my staff that administers the program," said Johnson, referring to Crittenden County Deputy Sheriff Chuck Hoover, who teaches the local class.

According to Harmon's data bulletin, the Finance and Administration Cabinet (FAC) received more than \$1.02 million in 2017 from CATS funds, including \$4,410 from Johnson's office. That comes from an additional \$30 fee charged to traffic school participants and was distributed by FAC to county governments, sheriffs, county treasurers, state agencies, the Spinal Cord and Head

Injury Trust Fund, Traumatic Brain Injury Trust Fund and Crime Victims Compensation Fund.

County attorneys were given the authority to operate traffic schools through CATS by the Kentucky lawmakers in 2012, with most of the proceeds being designated to pay for operating costs of county attorney offices. The legislation allows those cited with a minor traffic offenses the opportunity to attend a driver training program prior to going to court. County attorneys may move for dismissal of traffic violations if the alleged offender completes the CATS program.

"In spring 2013, we were one of the first counties in western Kentucky to create the program," Johnson said.

The local program requires classroom attendance with Hoover as the instructor. Many counties have moved to an online course, but Johnson likes the flexibility of having an onsite instructor.

"Officer Hoover can adjust the program for the specific attendees and can encourage the class to participate," she said.

To qualify for CATS, Johnson's office checks the driving record of the interested participant and determines if the ticketed driver qualifies. Reckless driving and DUI offenses are immediate disqualifications.

The driver cannot have a moving violation within the past 12 months and cannot have a CDL.

The average fee charged to enroll in local traffic schools is a little over \$120. The lowest fee is \$25 in Barren County, while the highest amount is \$162 in Trigg County. Johnson still charges \$125 for the program.

"We also offer the course to under-18 drivers at no cost who are in district court on traffic violations," she added.

With the absence of a driver's education course at Crittenden County High School, Johnson is partnering with CCHS to pres-

ent the CATS class to 16-year-olds through the Crosswalk after-school program or in individuals classrooms.

"I have had some parents tell us that they believe their teenage driver could benefit from the class," Johnson said. "I think this is primarily because a large part of the presentation addresses the issue of distracted driving caused by texting."

Traditional state traffic schools can be done online for \$39, or by attending a four-hour class in person for \$15. Kentucky State Traffic School attendance keeps a driver from getting points and does not reflect on a driver's three-year driving record. It does, however, reflect on a driver's five-year record used by law enforcement, courts and other government agencies.

Offenders can attend state traffic school only once during a 12-month period. State traffic school regulations do not apply to the CATS program.

*(Editor's note: Kentucky Today contributed to this story.)*



Johnson

# Clark worried over rollback of state's teacher credentials

STAFF AND WIRE REPORT

Crittenden County's superintendent of schools believes the state is "gambling with the future of all Kentuckians" by no longer requiring a master's degree for teachers.

"I fear the quality of instruction may decrease if our teacher force becomes less educated, but we won't see that for many years to come in the future," warned Vince Clark, head of the local school district.



Clark

qualified educator connected to the classroom."

Wayne Lewis, interim commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and the new executive secretary of the standards board, said the change was a positive step.

"While many teachers will continue to pursue Rank II with either a master's degree or through a continuing education option, they will now be permitted to make the choice to do so and to pursue that advancement on their own personal and professional timelines," Lewis said.

Teachers in Kentucky no longer have to obtain an advanced degree under the decision made by Kentucky's Education Professional Standards Board, the state entity that oversees educator preparation and certification. Gov. Matt Bevin put the formerly independent board under the control of the state education department earlier in the month. The move drew fire locally and from across the state within the ranks of education.

"During a time when we are supposed to be encouraging students to think of themselves as college and career ready, even beginning in kindergarten, it seems counter-intuitive that our certifying authority would publicly state that it sees no value in having teachers earn an advanced degree," Kentucky Education Association President Stephanie Winkler said after the change.

Kentucky teachers advance through their careers – and get more pay – by obtaining additional training and education.

Most Kentucky teachers earn higher Rank II designation by completing a standards board approved master's degree program or obtaining other national certification. Kentucky Board of Education officials said. Before last month's action, Kentucky educators were required to obtain Rank II by the second renewal of their five-year professional certificate.

Despite the change, Clark said the local school system will still reward its most qualified instructors.

"We will continue to honor those educators that continue to advance their learning to be better educators," he said. "It takes time and money to complete a (Rank II) degree, and our students benefit by having a more



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# Coalition helps schools

Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community has donated half of the cost to pay K9 Resources for contracting with the local school district to provide random searches at the high/middle school campus during the 2018-19 school year. The \$4,428 contribution is matched by the board of education. The dogs used by K9 Resources can search for both weapons and drugs inside the schools and on the grounds. Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark said the donation frees up money that can be spent elsewhere by the board, like helping to hire a school resource officer (SRO) for the district. "Things work best in our community when we collaborate," said Clark. Pictured above are (from left) Coalition board member and school district Family Resource and Youth Services Center Coordinator Crystal Wesmoland, Coalition Treasurer D'Anna Browning, Crittenden County Attorney and Coalition board member Rebecca Johnson, Clark, CCHS Principal Mandy Irvan and SRO John Shofner.

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Do you have the interest, energy, and expertise necessary to be a trustee? It requires a sincere commitment to the library, the ability to represent it well in the community, some leadership and business skills, a talent for working well in a team environment, the ability to bring community needs to the attention of the library and library needs to the attention of the community, and dedication to spending the necessary time to do the job well.

Library trustees are legally and financially responsible for what the library does and does not do. They must be able to attend and actively participate in all monthly meetings the fourth Thursday of each month at 5 p.m., as well as any called special meetings. They must share with other board members a common concern for the well-being of the library. Trustees discuss and debate matters before making decisions, but once decisions are made all board members support the decision. Trustees promote and advocate for the library by lobbying lawmakers, communicating the library's mission to the community, and actively participating in public relations functions. Furthermore, trustees educate themselves by participating in orientation and other learning opportunities.

Monitoring and evaluating the library's

program of service and its budget are critical trustee tasks, as is strategic planning. The board hires the library director, who is its only employee. The director is responsible for hiring and supervising all other staff and managing day-to-day operations. Trustees are prohibited from activities that present a conflict of interest, including hiring relatives or selling goods or services to the library. While serving as trustee, individuals are not permitted to hold office on other boards such as fiscal court, city council, or the health department board.

To fulfill their responsibilities, trustees must understand the full range of services offered by a 21st century public library. They must be savvy about changes in the library and understand the growing needs of the community – including technology needs. They must understand that the tax money collected for library purposes needs to be spent on library services.

Library trustees are appointed by the fiscal court from a list provided by the commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives. The term is four years, with eligibility to serve a second term. If you are interested in learning more about being a trustee, or would like to be considered when a vacancy occurs, pick up a Application Application form at the library. **Applications for the next pool of candidates will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 5, 2018.**

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# It’s simple, God has only one church

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Jesus is the head of the Church – His body – which includes all who are truly born again by His blood, and lives His Word. Eph. 1:22,23.

On the day of Pentecost, after Peter stood and preached, he was asked by the many listeners: “What shall we do?”

Peter’s answer was: “Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.”

“Then they that gladly received his word were baptized... and were praising God, and the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.” Act. 2:37-47.

The world sees man has many churches, but God has only one, and His Son bought it with His own blood. Acts 20:28.

How unbiblical to see men tell seekers they add them to the church because they baptized them.

Many times I’ve asked individuals if they were Christian, and get such sad answers, “Oh, yes, I’ve joined such and such church.”

So many of those people have never been taught that there is only one Church, and only Jesus can add any to it, and only after they repent, and let the Lord change them.

What grieves me is when people are believing things that aren’t in the Bible, and b a n k i n g their eternal soul on it, and will be lost.

J e s u s made the way clear telling us to: “Enter you in at the strait gate (strict in requirements): for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto life, and few there be that find it.” Matt. 7:13,14.

How true, because the gate, (way to enter) is strict and narrow, only few will find it.

The old un-regenerated, carnal flesh looks for the broad and easy

way, which God understands, and that is why He made it very clear, we have to search for the way.

Satan holds that over us in sin, and makes us resist Jesus’ call upon our lives, because we subconsciously go for the easy way out.

That is where prayer comes in for the lost, praying that God Almighty will send them such strong Holy Spirit conviction that they cannot resist God’s call upon their whole lives. John 16:8.

Jesus said, “Repent or perish.” Luke 13:5.

I had this scripture engraved in stone at the opening of my driveway.

Only God can give us repentance, which is giving us power to turn from our sins and go His way.

When we are convicted of our sins by the Holy Spirit, and our going to God in humble sorrow, naming our sins to Him, He then not only forgives us, but gives us hatred and shame for our sins, and power to turn from

them and live His Words.

We then are to begin to study God’s Words, not man’s ideas of them, and ask for the Holy Spirit to come live in us, and He will teach us His Words. John 14:26.

Jesus said in Luke 11:13, “Your heavenly Father will give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him.”

Jesus also tells us in John 24:17 that the world cannot receive Him, that we first must be born again.

My whole reason for living is to be used of God somehow to remind all of this entire message.

God’s reason for letting any of us live is to help others, in this life and get to Heaven in the next one.

So sorry I’ve not been able to do more of both.

•Rev. Lucy Tedrick, pastor at Marion Church of God, shares her views periodically in this newspaper. She can be reached at (270) 965-3269. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.



Lucy TEDRICK  
Guest Columnist  
Religious and Political Views

## Faith-Based Events & Church Outreach

### Lola Baptists hosting Old Fashion Day

Old Fashion Day will be held Sunday at Lola Baptist Church. New Journey will be singing at 10 a.m., followed by preaching and a meal.

### Piney Fork CP will host car show Saturday

Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church will have a car show from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday. In conjunction with the St. Jude fundraiser, a garden display will be offered at 3861 Copperas Springs Rd.

### Fredonia CP revival is starting Sunday

Revival will be held Sept. 30 through Oct. 3 at Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Service begins at 6 p.m., Sunday and at 7 p.m., Monday through Wednesday of next week. Evangelist is Paul Tucker. Minister of Music is Rev. Peter Jeffrey.

### Local outreach programs

- Fredonia Unity Baptist Church's clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of every month.
- The clothes closet at Mexico Baptist Church is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday.
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### Does Your Congregation Have Something Planned?

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## Flu Shot Clinic

### Crittenden County Health Department

190 Industrial Dr., Marion, Ky. 42064

**October 1**  
**8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**No appointment needed**

**Crittenden County Health Department**  
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## THANK YOU

The family of Bernice Jennings would like to thank everyone for their prayers, visits and comfort during the illness and passing of our loved one. A special thank you to the staffs at New Haven Assisted Living, Crittenden Health Systems, Crittenden Health and Rehabilitation Center and Myers Funeral Home. Thank you to Dr. Graham, Margaret Gilland, Bro. Tommy Hodge, those who served as pallbearers and everyone who attended the funeral. We appreciate your love and support during this difficult time. May God bless you all!

## NOTICE:

Pennyriple Allied Community Services, Inc. (PACS), will hold a public meeting to discuss and determine the strengths and needs of the county. Residents with low income are encouraged to attend and voice their concerns. The meeting will be held 9 a.m., Oct. 5 at Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center, 210 Walker St., Marion.

*“This project is funded, in part, under a contract with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services with funds from the Community Service Block Grant Act of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.”*

### In Loving Memory

## James (Jim) Hollis


Oct. 1, 1931—Sept. 24, 2011

Another year has come and gone, and precious memories linger on.

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# WORSHIP

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—Matthew 18:20

### Marion Baptist Church

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Coffee/Juice Fellowship 8:30-8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School 8:45-9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship (One Service) 10-11:15 a.m.  
Awana 5:45 p.m.  
Limitless worship 6 p.m.

Discipleship class 6:30 p.m.  
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## Area Deaths

### Greenlee

Norvel Anthony Greenlee, Jr., 81, of Princeton died Thursday, Sept. 20, 2018 at his home.

He was a self-employed electrician contractor, a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Lyon County where he served as deacon and Sunday School teacher and was a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Wilma Rose Mitchell Greenlee; a daughter, Lawana Tullar and husband Michael of Chapel Hill, Tenn.; a son, Barry Greenlee and wife Tina of Dyersburg, Tenn.; two sisters, Hazel Guess of Kuttawa and Paulette Paddock of Dycusburg; six grandchildren, Arielle Tullar, Anna Tullar, Adam Tullar, Sara Hamm and Mollie Sanderson; and two great-grandchildren, Bennett Hamm and Emerson Hamm.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Norvel Anthony Greenlee Sr. and Gustava Peek Greenlee; two sisters, Neta Green and Patricia Thomas; and a grandchild, Olivia Greenlee.

Services were Monday, Sept. 24 at Morgan's Funeral Home in Princeton with Rev. Johnny Davis, Rev. Robin Redd and Bill McCormick officiating. Burial with military rites was at Kentucky Veteran's Cemetery West in Hopkinsville.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International, Lyon Caldwell Camp, Eddyville, KY 42038.

### Williams

Jackie G. Williams, 80, of Marion died Sunday Sept. 23, 2018 at Baptist Health Paducah.

She was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Survivors include her children, Kim McMackin, Kurt McMackin and Kevin McMackin, all of Marion, Kathy Huss of Springfield, Mo., and Kelly McMackin of Kuttawa; a brother, Robert Shacklee of Rockford, Ill.; and several grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Mildred Shacklee; two brothers; and two sisters.

Services are scheduled for 1 p.m., Wednesday Sept. 26, 2018 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial will be at Repton Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 10 a.m., until the service time Wednesday.

## Attempted abduction reported in Marion

STAFF REPORT

Marion Police are conducting an investigation into a local woman's report of an attempted abduction.

Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal said a 21-year-old woman was walking from her home to work in downtown Marion along East Depot Street early Monday morning before daylight

when she alleges that two men in a red car tried to force her into their vehicle.

The police report says the woman used pepper spray to fend off the would-be abductors then she ran home. Police say the woman then called her employer and the police to report what happened.

The incident report-

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### Carter

Rev. F. Wayne Carter, 63, of Paducah died Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2018, at Mercy Health Lourdes in Paducah. He was a native of Paducah.

He was former pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Marion, First Baptist Church in Smithland, Ohio Valley Baptist Church in Ledbetter and several other churches in western Kentucky and southern Illinois. At the time of his death, he was the senior ministries pastor and member of Southland Baptist Temple.

Carter was a licensed funeral director and served as chaplain for the McCracken County Sheriff's Department. He was a graduate of Mid-Continent University, Union University in Jackson, Tenn., and received his Master's of Theology from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Beverly Finnell Carter; sons, Matt (Melanie) Carter of Paducah, Stephen (Natalie) Carter of Paducah and Aaron (Nickie) Carter of Benton; six grandchildren; two great grandchildren; sisters, Debra Ruskey of St. Louis and Vera J. Cunningham of Columbus, Ky.; and several nieces and nephews.

Carter was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd Carter and Ruth Byassee Carter.

Funeral services were Saturday, Sept. 22 at Southland Baptist Temple with Rev. Jimmy Franks officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Memorial Gardens in Paducah.

Milner & Orr Funeral Home of Paducah was in charge of arrangements.



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## UK coach makes time for special fan

He's been a successful coach in several sports and a well respected school administrator in Franklin County. Casey Sparrow has also always been a University of Kentucky sports fan and getting to see the UK football team play and practice — along with meeting coach Mark Stoops and assistant John Schlarman — had special significance for the Mercer County man.

Sparrow has been battling cancer for over four years and recently stopped treatments as he chose quality of life as his first priority now.

"I have good days and bad days," Sparrow, who lives in Mercer County, said. "We have started Hospice. People hear that and think the end is near. But we are just meeting with the nurse, having her check on me to make sure I have what I need or she gets it for me. It's been a little crazy but I feel good. I am able to get up, get out and do what we need to do."

One of Sparrow's best friends is Western Hills football coach Don Miller. When Stoops came to watch Western Hills star Wandale Robinson play Sept. 14, the coach's wife, Jennifer, mentioned to Stoops that Casey Sparrow, a 1989 Franklin County graduate, and his wife Lisa were com-

ing to the UK game the next day. Stoops arranged for the Sparrows to not only get on the field at Kroger Field but also to meet him and Schlarman, who has also been diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy treatments, after the Murray game.

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sions because we were in a video-free zone and they had to put their phones down. But I enjoyed watching the guys. Some were bigger than you think, some were smaller.

"We got to talk to Stoops some between periods (in practice) and I made sure I spoke to coach Schlarman and spent some time with him. I told him that I did not know exactly what he was going through but I know what your going though. I told him anything I could do to answer questions about anything, just ask. You really can't prepare for this but I can share what I've tried and done."

Casey Sparrow is a well-known figure in Kentucky. He coached track, basketball and middle school football at Anderson County and eventually became the head girls basketball coach. He moved on to Covington Holmes where his 2002 team (29-6) made the state semifinals before losing to Jackson County. His star player was Miss Basketball Erica Hallman. His wife was one of his assistant coaches.

"I was also offensive coordinator for the football team at Holmes for three years," Casey Sparrow said. "Once we won the region in basketball, I got into the administrative end."



Larry Vaught  
UK Sports Columnist  
Vaught's Views



Gun range has open sight time

Crittenden County Extension Park, formerly Marion Gun Club, will offer Sighting In Days from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Oct. 8-10 at the gun range on Ky. 91. The public is welcome to bring shotguns, rifles, pistols, crossbows, bows and muzzleloaders during two-hour slots. A \$10 fee benefits the 4-H program. Call (270) 965-5236 to schedule an appointment. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Library trivia is Friday night

Adult Trivia Night returns Friday at Crittenden County Public Library. The bimonthly event pits teams of up to five people against one another for 10 rounds of seven questions, with a champion crowned based on the number of correct answers. Individual "trivial" prizes are awarded randomly at the close of each round, and the winning team receives its own reward. There is no cost to enter, and snacks are provided. Back to School Trivia begins at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the library and will feature general knowledge questions in geography, math, literature, etc. The event is designed as a way for adults to enjoy an evening away from the kids and show off their knowledge.

Calendar

– Young women and girls ages 0-18 are invited to participate in the **Octoberfest Pageant** beginning at 6 p.m., Oct. 5 at the Livingston County Extension Office. Entry fee is \$15 for ages 0-9 years; and \$25 for ages 10-18 years. For more information, contact director Alicia Paris at (270) 816-1184.

– Crittenden County **Ducks Unlimited** banquet will be held Saturday at the Carson G. Davidson National Guard Armory in Marion.

– **Woman's Club** of Marion will meet at 5:30 p.m., Oct. 11 at the club building. Kanley Hadfield will speak on Life in Christ's mission trip to Haiti. Visitors are welcome. Refreshments will be served from 5:30-6 p.m. For more information, call (270) 704-0057.

– Facilitator training for the American Lung Association's **Freedom from Smoking classes** will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16 at Salem Baptist Church at the corner of U.S. 60 and North Hayden Avenue. Register by Oct. 9. A \$120 fee is waived for any public housing affiliate. Visit Lung.org, call (502) 363-2652 or email Tami.Cappelletti@lung.org.



Class of 1956

The Crittenden County Class of 1956 held its annual reunion at the Majestic Steak House in Princeton Sept. 1. Attending (front from left) are Brendyth Easley Boone, Martha Cook Kirk, Donald Martin, Mary Lou King Branson, Linda Kirk Tabor, Joyce Winters Claghorn, Gladys Parmley Brown, Anna Lee Hughes Johnson, Roberta Drury Shewmaker, Sarah Alexander Ford, (back) Sam Hodge, Paul Crowell, Phillip Vaughn, Wayne Sigler, Tommy Wring, C.W. Stevens, Samuel Brandon, Bobby R. Fox and Paul Belt.



Dee Heimgartner (second from left) discusses making bouquets with (from left) Sandra Belt, Carolyn Belt and Brandie Ledford.

Flowers, contest on club agenda

Dee Heimgartner, Crittenden County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources, presented a program called "Growing Your Own Bouquet," at the Woman's Club of Marion's Sept. 19 meeting.

The next club meeting is at 5:30 p.m., Oct. 11, featuring a program presented by Kanley Hadfield from the Life in

Christ Church. Members from the church participated in a mission trip to Haiti this summer. Club meetings are open to the public.

In other news, the deadline to enter the General Federation of Women's Club's Kentucky First District Arts, Crafts and Photography contest for club members and the high school student art contest is Oct.

5.

Anyone interested in learning more about contest details should email Nancy Hunt at nancy.hunt@uky.edu or text (270) 704-0057 the name of the classes each individual wants to enter. The contest will be held Oct. 20 at the Murray Woman's Club. For further information contact Hunt.

Wedding



Corey Rose Berry and Jordan Clark Enoch

Berry, Enoch to marry Oct. 4

Jack and Michelle Berry of Murray announce the marriage of their daughter, Corey Rose, to Jordan Clark Enoch. Enoch is the son of Pam Enoch of Marion and the late Charles Enoch.

Berry is a 2012 graduate of Crittenden County High School and 2015 graduate of Murray State university. She is employed by the Department for Community Based Services. She is the granddaughter of John Hamilton of Marion

and the late Wanda Hamilton and James and Wanda Berry of Marion.

Enoch is a 2015 graduate of Crittenden County High School and is employed by Pine Bluff Materials. He is the grandson of the late S.T. and Pauline Clark of Marion and the late C.W. Enoch and Nina Winn, also of Marion.

Wedding vows will be exchanged during a private ceremony Oct. 4 at Forsyth Park in Savannah, Ga.

Wreaths, pies make big week

Crittenden County Extension Homemakers are busy planning activities for Oct. 1-6. The community is invited to participate in the following:

•Quilt workshop at 5:30 p.m., Monday at the Crittenden County Extension Office, making fold and stitch wreaths with seasonal or holiday themes. Bring your sewing machine. Call the extension office at (270) 965-5236 to register and get a list of needed supplies.

•Annual twilight walk begins at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday. Sign-in will be at the pavilion by the restrooms. Group photo at 6:30 p.m., then draw for door prizes. This year's twilight walk will feature a nature scavenger hunt. Bring your phone with a camera or a digital camera. Prizes will be given to the winning teams.

•Enter the Apple Pie Contest? Entry forms can

be picked up at the Crittenden County Extension Office or at Farmer's Bank and are due by Oct. 4. Pies should be dropped off between 9-10 a.m. Oct. 5 at the vacant lot on Main Street beside Farmer's Bank Main Office. Contest rules are available at the Extension Office or on the Crittenden County Extension Service Facebook page. The contest is open to any age but only amateur bakers. Cash awards are \$50 for 1st, \$35 for 2nd and \$15 for 3rd place. Following the contest, pies will be sold whole or by the slice. Proceeds go to the Extension Homemakers Scholarship fund.



Janeen TRAMBLE  
FCS Agent  
Home Notes

•Bread, candy and cookie customarily sold at Christmas in Marion will be provided by the Crittenden County Extension Homemakers

Oct. 6 during the Pumpkin Festival at the gazebo in Marion. The sale will start by 9 a.m.

Homemakers are currently collecting dues for the 2018-2019 year. Dues are \$10 annually and include club membership or member at large, all homemaker lessons and opportunities to participate in special county and area events.

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## Community Health Center



UPCOMING EVENTS

**Fall Sports Schedule**

**THURSDAY**  
Volleyball hosts Union County

**FRIDAY**  
Varsity football at Fulton City

**SATURDAY**  
Jr Pro football at Union County

**MONDAY**  
Soccer hosts Caldwell County

**TUESDAY**  
MS football at Caldwell County  
Volleyball at Trigg County

FOOTBALL

**AP Top 10 Poll**

**Class 1A**

1. Beechwood 3-2  
2. Pikeville 3-2  
3. Raceland 5-1  
4. Hazard 3-1  
5. Paintsville 4-2  
6. Campbellsville 5-1  
7. Crittenden County 4-1  
8. Lynn Camp 5-0  
9. Ludlow 3-1  
10. Nicholas County 5-1

*Others receiving votes in order: Bellevue, Holy Cross, Fulton County 6, Ludlow 5, Bishop Brossart 3, Phelps 2, Russellville 1, Pineville 1, Frankfort 1.*

OUTDOORS

**Hunting Seasons**

Bullfrog	May 18 - Oct. 31
Squirrel	Aug. 18 - Nov. 9
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Deer Archery	Sept. 1 - Jan. 21
Turkey Archery	Sept. 1 - Jan. 21
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7
Wood Duck / Teal	Sept. 15-19
Canada Goose	Sept. 16-30
Teal Only	Sept. 20-23
Raccoon Hunt	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Deer Crossbow	Oct. 1 - 21
Youth Gun	Oct. 13-14
Deer Muzzleloader	Oct. 20-21
Turkey gun	Oct. 27 - Nov. 2
Deer Crossbow	Nov. 10 - Dec. 31
Deer Rifle	Nov. 10 - 25
Squirrel	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Raccoon Trap	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Bobcat Trap	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Fox Hunt/Trap	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Dove	Nov. 22 - Dec. 2
Duck	Nov. 22-25
Canada Goose	Nov. 22 - Feb. 15
Snow Goose	Nov. 22 - Feb. 15
White Front Goose	Nov. 22 - Feb. 15
Bobcat Hunt	Nov. 24 - Feb. 28
Duck	Dec. 3 - Jan. 27
Deer Muzzleloader	Dec. 8-16
Dove	Dec. 22 - Jan. 13
Deer Youth Free	Dec. 29-30
Raccoon Youth	Dec. 29 - Jan. 4
Fox Youth	Dec. 29 - Jan. 4
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Goose Conservation	Feb. 16 - March 31
Coyote	Year Round
Groundhog	Year Round

**DU event Saturday**

Crittenden County Ducks Unlimited will host its annual banquet and fundraising auction starting at 5:30 p.m., Saturday at the Kentucky National Guard Armory.

**SOFTBALL / BASEBALL**

**State tourney changes**

The KHSAA has changed the way it will play high school softball and baseball state tournaments starting this spring. Both sports will play their regional tournaments as always, but the changes start in the next round. Beginning in 2019, there will be sub-state rounds in four locations around the state, preferably at college ball parks, the KHSAA said. There will be four teams at each semi-state venue and matchups will rotate so regions won't play the same opponent each post-season. The winners will then advance to an eight-team, single-elimination state tournament at a unified site.

**GOLF**

**Glowing fundraiser**

A 2-person, 9-hole Glow Golf Scramble will be held Oct. 20 at Deer Lakes. Tee time is 6:45 p.m. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 per team.To register, call the pro shop (270) 988-4653.

# Gilchrist soaks up round for 3rd trip to state

STAFF REPORT

Lauren Gilchrist continues to cast her star firmly in the heavens of Rocket golfing history.

On Monday, she weathered extremely challenging conditions to shoot an 81 and finish tied for third in the First Region Golf Tournament at the Country Club of Paducah, qualifying for the state tournament for a third straight year.

Gilchrist will take her game to the Bowling Green Country Club Tuesday and Wednesday of next week where her plan is to make the second-day cut, something that has eluded her the past two years at the KHSAA Girls State Golf Tournament.

"Being close and missing the cut has been tough to take," she said early this week.

The state tournament is a two-day event with a cut after the first day's 18 holes. Only the top golfers get to play for a championship on the final 18 holes. Gilchrist has shot in the mid 80s the last two years at the state tournament, missing the cut by five and six strokes.

"My goal is to play well enough to make the cut," she said.

On Monday, Gilchrist and about 30 other high school golfers from the First Region braved the extremely hostile golfing conditions, to play 18 holes in a wet mess.

"It literally poured the whole round until I arrived at the 18th green," said Gilchrist. "On the 18th green, the sun popped out."

Gilchrist said her driver was working well and the putter was true, but she had to adjust her game to deal with the elements.

"There were literally small rivers of water running down the fairways," she said. "The rain doesn't bother me mentally, but it does affect how the ball rolls and lands."

Her coach, Vicki Hatfield, said Gilchrist handled the weather like a pro.

"The rain made the ground mushy and every step you took water was up on your shoe. It made hitting the ball difficult in the fairway and on the green," Hatfield said. "Lauren



Conditions were as wet as imaginable on Monday when Lauren Gilchrist played her regional tournament at Paducah.

handled these conditions relatively well. She stayed focused on what she was there to do and did not let the bad weather dictate her game."

Gilchrist used a steady round bolstered by a number of pars and a couple of birdies to lead her to a strong finish and state tournament berth.

"She had a couple of bad holes but she didn't give up," Gilchrist's coach added. "In my

opinion, this is where she has grown the most. In golf, it is so important not to lose it emotionally. Lauren has done this. I am proud of not only her round of play but also how she handles herself. She is truly a champion in my book."

Nichole Taylor of Graves County shot 77 and won a playoff over McCracken County's Jessica Stephens for the girls' championship.



Rocket Branen Lamey scored four touchdowns against Union County. He said the Pick-6 on defense was the most special.



Crittenden County's defense was at its best against Union County Friday night. Here, Braxton Winders (30) and Tyler Boone – a couple of sophomore linebackers – wrestle down Union County ballcarrier Allen Elam. The Braves rushed for just 87 net yards.

## Rockets Open District Play this Week at Fulton

# No. 7 Rockets dismantle ranked Braves

STAFF REPORT

We all know that legendary football coach Bear Bryant said defense wins championships.

But first-year Rocket skipper Sean Thompson will attest that strong defense can also win non-conference, regular-season games when there is nothing but pride on the line.

Class A seventh-ranked Crittenden County drew the iron curtain down on Class 3A's No. 10 Union County Friday, toasting the Braves 38-3.

It was the worst Crittenden (4-1) has ever beaten Union County in the series that dates back to 1964.

"It shows what can happen when you believe in what you are doing," Thompson said, giving his defensive coordinator Gaige Courtney the credit for what the Rockets did on that side of the ball.

"It all starts with the checks that coach Courtney put in this week. Union County is true to what they do and coach Courtney had our guys prepared," Thompson added. "What we do now defensively is exciting and coach Courtney brings so much intensity to it. The kids have bought into his system and this is what you get."

The Rocket defense will get another chance to display its strength on the road this Friday against Fulton City. The Bulldogs are winless on the season and have forfeited twice because of personnel issues. Fulton is one of the smallest schools in the state to field a football team and it's struggling to do so this season. In most weeks, Fulton has only 12 players to start a game. If injuries or other personnel matters affect the lineup, the team has to forfeit. Coach Thompson said that as far as he knows, this week's game is on as scheduled. Fulton played last week, losing 50-0 to Clarksville (Tenn.) Academy.

Against Union County last week, Crittenden's defense was buoyed by a number of stellar performances, but none bigger than that of end Sean O'Leary, who was in the backfield all night with several tackles for loss. Linebackers Tyler Boone, Braxton Winders and Gavin Dickerson and nose guard Lathan Easley were just as onerous for the previously unbeaten Braves.

Union County (4-1) was on its heels the whole night. Save a couple dozen power runs by brushing running back Corithian Portee-Seales, who rushed for 109 yards, Union County was helpless against the Rocket defense. The Braves tried three different quarterbacks and none could jumpstart their offense.

Crittenden smothered everything



Rocket receiver Payton Riley's one-handed grab in the first half on this pass set up his TD catch minutes later. To see this play in real time, watch this week's Rocket PreGame and Coach's Show on You Tube. It contains many video highlights from last week's game.

Union County had in its arsenal. The Rockets stopped the Braves at the line of scrimmage or behind it for a loss on 20 different plays during the contest.

Rocket receiver Branen Lamey was the offensive catalyst, scoring on three touchdown receptions from quarterback Hunter Boone. Lamey caught TD passes of 27, 54 and 19 yards and he even caught one of Union's passes, returning the interception 74 yards for a Pick 6.

Boone threw a fourth scoring strike to Payton Riley, who had an impressive offensive game of his own, making a one-handed grab on a pass in the second period to set up his touchdown catch a short time later.

Lamey finished with 111 yards receiving and Riley 69 while the Braves secondary centered much of its attention on silencing leading Rocket receiver Ethan Dossett.

The victory was no doubt especially sweet for coach Thompson, whose Rockets hadn't beaten Union County in the last five tries. Thompson was an assistant coach at Union County for a time before

returning to CCHS in 2014. It was his first win against the Braves since coming home to CCHS.

"Going into the game I thought we would win, but not this bad," Thompson said. "They're a Top 10 team in 3A and we basically shut them out."

Union didn't score until it kicked a field goal in the fourth period. The Braves were stopped three times on fourth-down plays in Crittenden territory.

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Union County	0	0	0	3
Crittenden Co.	7	7	17	7

**SCORING PLAYS**

C-Branen Lamey 27 pass from Hunter Boone (Parker Johnson kick) 10:33, 1st  
C-Payton Riley 18 pass from Boone (Johnson kick) :33, 2nd  
C-Johnson 37 field goal 10:28, 3rd  
C-Lamey 54 pass from Boone (Johnson kick) 5:52, 3rd  
C-Lamey 19 pass from Boone (Johnson kick) 3:03, 3rd  
U-Mason Weldon 28 field goal 6:04, 4th  
C-Lamey 74 interception return (Johnson kick) 4:28, 4th

**TEAM TOTALS**

First Downs: Crittenden 6, Union 14  
Penalties: Crittenden 9-105, Union 9-70  
Rushing: Crittenden 21-40, Union 42-87  
Passing: Crittenden 12-18-2, 191 yds., Union: 4-17-2, 42 yds.  
Total Yards: Crittenden 231, Union 129  
Fumbles/Lost: Crittenden 0-0, Union 6-1

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing**  
Crittenden: Devon Nesbitt 13-37, Gavin Dickerson 1-1, H.Boone 7-2. Union: Corithian Portee-Seales 24-109, Brayden McGraw 3-2, Allen Elam 5-16, Brennen Jenkins 1-3, Gabe Adams 4-(-27), Solomon Teehan 10-(-12).

**Passing**  
Crittenden: Boone 12-18-2, 191 yds. Union: Adams 1-11-1, 29 yds., Teehan 2-6-1, 13 yds.

**Receiving**  
Crittenden: Lamey 4-111, Riley 4-69, Dickerson 1-8, Ethan Dossett 2-(-5), Nesbitt 1-8. Union: Dealynn Ricketts 2-13, Lincoln Sisk 1-24, Allen Elam 1-5.

**Defense**  
Dickerson 7 solos, TFL, 3 sacks; Joyce solo, 2 assists; Lamey solo, interception; Nesbitt fumble recovery; O'Leary 11 solos, 6 assists, 5 TFLs, 4 sacks; Riley 2 solos, 2 assists; Gobin 2 solos, 2 assists, TFL, sack; Jones 3 solos, 4 assists; Boone 8 solos, 6 assists, caused fumble; Easley 12 solos, 4 assists, sack; Ellington solo, assist; Tabor 4 solos, assist; Winders 8 solos, 10 assists, interception; Yates 2 solos.

**Players of the Game**  
Offense Branen Lamey, Defense Braxton Winders and Gavin Dickerson. Linemen Lathan Easley and Sean O'Leary. Special Teams Parker Johnson.

**Records:** Crittenden 4-1, Union 4-1



# Soccer

## Girls prep for district match

Heavy rains early this week delayed Crittenden County's district match against Lyon County. It will be rescheduled for Friday or Saturday. Crittenden lost 5-2 to Webster County last Thursday. Kacie Easley had both goals and Ashley Wheeler had both assists. The Lady Rockets are 1-9-1 on the season.

# Cross Country

## Keller 12th in big invitational

Crittenden County sophomore distance runner Kate Keller finished 12th and just shy of a personal best at the Marshall County Invitational Saturday. It was a rainy, sloppy day for runners, but Crittenden and Livingston counties both had several entries. There were 151 girls and 216 boys from multiple states competing at the meet. Following are results from the local athletes:

GIRLS 5K CROSS COUNTRY MEET				
Place	Runner	Class	School	Time
12	Kate Keller	10	Crittenden	21:09.71
136	Anzie Gobin	11	Crittenden	31:15.64
106	Sheyenna Stytz	11	Livingston	27:09.08
107	Danielle Starczewski	7	Livingston	27:23.29
123	Emma Swann	10	Livingston	29:41.11
130	Rylee Culver	8	Livingston	30:36.16
135	Kerah Davidson	11	Livingston	31:05.67
142	Kaylynn Jackson	8	Livingston	32:45.87

BOYS 5K CROSS COUNTRY MEET				
21	Carson Kitchens	10	Livingston	17:50.53
101	Doug Conge	11	Crittenden	20:29.52
124	Hunter Holeman	12	Crittenden	21:16.88
125	Logan Davidson	12	Livingston	21:17.95
139	Jarrett Harris 1	1	Livingston	22:41.99
162	Johnathon Goodaker	11	Livingston	22:57.88
163	Jaxon Hatfield	7	Crittenden	23:11.53
167	Michael Kirk	10	Crittenden	23:24.98
169	Gabe Keller	7	Crittenden	23:32.30
175	Trae Williams	12	Livingston	23:52.14
179	Alex Parks	8	Livingston	24:07.25
180	Rowan Perkins	8	Crittenden	24:07.48
201	Zac Weathers	11	Crittenden	26:21.68
203	Tyler Belt	7	Crittenden	26:39.86
206	Parker Kayse	8	Crittenden	27:42.92
208	Kagan Goodaker	12	Livingston	28:15.82
215	Wyatt Jaco	12	Livingston	34:20.71

## Rockets fall to James Madison

Crittenden fell to 3-3 on the season with a 28-14 setback last week at home against James Madison. Preston Morgeson scored both Rocket touchdowns. It was a one-possession game until the final two minutes. The Rockets won the B-game in overtime when Levi Piper scored a touchdown.

**CRITTENDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL STATISTICS**  
**A GAME: James Madison 28, CCMS 14**  
Rushing: Morgeson 21-96, T.Belt 3-34, Guess 2-6. Passing: Guess 2-8-1, 35 yds., Morgeson 1-1-0, 20 yds. Receiving: Perkins 3-55. Tackles: Morgeson 15, Guess 9, caused fumble; Impastato 9, Holliman 8, Gobin 5, Perkins 4, Trey Swaggirt 4, Nesbitt 3, Piper 3, Berry 3, T.Belt 3, Sarles 2, Fritts 2, A.Burns 1, Hatfield 1, Blazina 1.  
**B-GAME: CCMS 6, James Madison 0, OT**  
Rushing: T.Belt 11-59, Piper 5-11. Passing: Piper 3-5-0, 4 yds., T.Belt 0-3-0. Receiving: Hatfield 109. Tackles: Sisco 9, Tramel 7, Piper 4, M.Burns 4, Sharp 3, Blazina 3, Hatfield 2, A.Burns 2, McDaniel 1, Miniard 1, West 1.



Isaac James (00) rushed for almost 200 yards Saturday in Junior Pro action.

# Jr Pro Football

## Crittenden wins two at home over Tigers

Crittenden County beat Caldwell County White in a Junior Pro Football double-header at Rocket Stadium Saturday. The third- and fourth-grade Rockets won 40-19 as the boys need just four plays to jump ahead by two touchdowns. Big plays were key in the victory for Crittenden. The game was much more lopsided than the score might indicate. Two late touchdowns by Caldwell closed the gap a bit. Avery Thompson and Isaac James scored multiple times apiece for the young Rockets. James finished with 183 yards on nine carries and had two TDs. Thompson rushed for 178 yards on five carries and scored four times. Eli Lovell rushed for 20 yards, Jett Reddick ran for 14, Easton White rushed for 12 and Ethan Sosh and Brennen Clifford ran for three and two yards,

respectively. The fifth- and sixth-grade Rockets beat Caldwell County 21-0. In a game that featured a tremendous effort by the Crittenden defensive unit to shut out the Tigers, it was the defense that scored first and last for the Rockets. Their early safety was the only score of the first half. Crittenden got its offense rolling the third period when Kaiden Travis scored on a short run that was set up by a 20-yard carry by Caden Howard. Travis scored again in the fourth quarter on a 31-yard run and he tacked on a rushing conversion. Late in the final quarter, Landon Curry caused a fumble that Quinn Summers caught in mid air and returned 67 yards for the final TD. The solid defensive effort was led by Chase Conyer's 4 tackles for loss. Offensively, Travis rushed for 62 yards, Howard 29, Summers 19, Curry 8 and Cameron Belcher 7 yards.



Lady Rocket soccer players Kacie Easley (22) and Leah Fritts chase after a loose ball during last week's match against Union County. At right, Crittenden's Ashley Wheeler fights for control of the ball.



# Volleyball

## Tough weekend for Lady Rockets

Crittenden County knew its hands would be full last weekend in the Caldwell County round-robin tournament. The Lady Rockets went into the match ranked No. 4 in the region behind Henderson, Caldwell and UHA despite CCHS having the league's best record. Tournament host Caldwell County, knocked off Crittenden in straight sets, 25-17 25-15 25-17, then Hopkinsville – a team with just three wins before Saturday – beat the Lady Rockets in five sets, 21-25, 25-21, 25-13, 24-26, 18-16. The girls played Tuesday night at home against Hopkins Central. Results were not available at press time. The road doesn't get any easier for the Lady Rockets, who where 18-3 before Tuesday's match. CCHS hosts Union County Thursday then next week they turn their attention to a final run through the district with matches at Trigg and Livingston. After that, Crittendens goes to the Toyota of Hopkinsville Western Kentucky Smack Down Oct. 5-6 against some of the best teams in this part of the state.



PHOTO BY GREG PERRYMAN  
Lady Rocket volleyballers Kenlee Perryman and Jaycie Driver go to the net for a block during a match last week against Livingston Central.

**LADY ROCKET STATISTICAL REVIEW**  
**Sept. 17 vs McLean County**  
Blocks: Perryman 1, Gilbert 1. Aces: Hayes 6, Perryman 4, Gilbert 4. Digs: Gilbert 9, Hayes 7, McGowan 4, Hicks 3, Perryman 3. Assists: Driver 6. Kills: Perryman 9.  
**Sept. 11 vs Livingston Central**  
Blocks: Perryman 1. Aces: Book 8, Hayes 5, Hicks 3, Gilbert 3. Digs: Perryman 9, Hayes 7, Gilbert 6, Valadez 4. Kills: Perryman 15, Gilbert 8, El.Smith 4, Hayes 3, Book 2. Assists: Hicks 32.

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Bake Sales

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Recipe History/Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Return entry form by October 4th to any Farmers Bank location or the Crittenden County Extension Office.

Drop-off pies on Friday, Oct. 5th, between 9:00 and 10:30 AM at to Farmers Bank Main Office. In case of rain, event will be moved inside bank.

Rules: Contest is open to any individual. Any age. One entry per person. Amateur bakers only. Only Double Crust Apple Pies will be accepted, no Cumbies, Crisps, Betty's or Pan Dowsy's allowed. Pies that need special handling, refrigeration or heating elements are not allowed. We recommend pies are baked in disposable pans only, but you can re-use your pan (name on the bottom) at the end of judging. Pies will be scored on Appearance, Consistency, Flavor, and Overall Impression. Winners will be announced at 11:30 AM on Fri., Oct. 5th. Top three winners will receive cash awards (\$50, \$35, \$15). Decision of the judges will be FINAL. Following judging, pies will be sold by the slice. All proceeds go to the Est. Homemaker Scholarship Fund.

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2018 Scarecrow Contest Entry Form

Name of Student, Classroom, Club or Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Scarecrow Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Open to students K-12th grade. Individual students may enter or a classroom, club or group. Scarecrow must be life size. Straw bales will be provided to place scarecrow on, if needed. Entry form due by Wed. October 3rd to any Farmers Bank location or the Crittenden County Extension Office or you may fax to 270-965-5237. Questions- Call 270-965-5236. Drop off scarecrow to Farmers Bank Main Office on Thursday, October 4th between 3:00 and 5:00 PM. Scarecrows are on display during Farmer's Day on Friday, October 5th, 9am-3pm at Farmer's Bank Main Office. Have your family & friends VOTE for your scarecrow by making a cash donation to your favorite scarecrow. Scarecrows with the most CASH donations will receive cash awards sponsored by Farmers Bank & Trust: 1st Place-\$50, 2nd Place-\$35, and 3rd Place-\$25. Winners will be announced & scarecrow pick-up is at 4 PM on October 5th. All proceeds support Crittenden County 4-H programs, camps and events.



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## ABOUT OUR TEAM

### HEATHER ENGLER

Heather and her son live in Princeton, Kentucky. She is a graduate of Caldwell County High school and has been in banking for 7 years.

### TIFFANY WHEELER STEWART

Tiffany has spent the majority of her life in Marion. She is a graduate of Crittenden County High School, a Lady Rocket Basketball Alumna and a Rockets supporter. She is raising more young Rockets, currently in elementary and middle school. Tiffany has been in banking since 1993.

### SANDY URBANOWSKI

Sandy has been making Marion her home since 1996. Her three boys attended Crittenden County schools and she has been a Scout volunteer in the area for 22 years. She started her banking career in 1985.

### MARCIE CONGER

Marcie is a lifelong resident of Crittenden County. Her daughter attends Crittenden County Elementary. Marcie has been in banking for 18 years.

### AMY MOSLEY

Amy lives in Union County with her family. She is a 2018 graduate of Crittenden County High School and is looking forward to her banking career in Marion.

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