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Entry cutoff near for homecoming parade

Deadline for entries in the annual football homecoming parade is Tuesday, Sept. 19.

The theme for the Thursday, Sept. 28 parade is Rockets Got Game. Floats or entires may depict any type of game, including sports, board games, video games or others. The 2017 Critenden County Distinguished Alumni inductees federal Judge Alan C. Stout and music professor William O. Winstead - will serve as grand marshals.

The Rockets wil host Fulton City on the field beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept.

To enter the parade, which starts at 5 p.m., ccontact Glenna Rich at (270) 965-2248.

Park board hosting organizational meet

An organizational meeting of Marion-Crittenden County Park Board wil be at 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5 in the conference room of Crittenden County Public Library. The public is invited to attend.

MCC offering free **ACT** preparations

Madisonville Community College will offer a series of free ACT preparation work-

shops this fall for upcoming national ACT testing dates in October and December. Instruction will

be provided to students to improve performance in the mathematics and science reasoning sections of

the test. Each session will be held 9-11 a.m. on the Madisonville Community College North Campus. Each session is limited to 30 participants. Students are encouraged to attend both prep sessions per test date

- Oct. 28 ACT test: Prep Session I is Sept. 30; Prep Session II is Oct. 14

- Dec. 9 ACT test: Prep Session I is Nov. 4; Prep Session II is on Nov. 18.

For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Dr. John Lowbridge at (270) 824-1835 or at john.lowbridge@kctcs.edu.

Public meetings

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce

will meet at 8 a.m. today (Thursday) at the Marion Welcome Center.

- Crittenden County **Board of Education** will

meet at 6 p.m. today (Thursday) in the conference room of Rocket





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Tax burden up for 2017, down from 2015

By DARYL K. TABOR

Even without the 5.9-cent school tax increase being voted on next week, property owners in Crittenden County will be paying more into local government in 2017 than last year – albeit only slightly. The city, fiscal court and school district all bumped their rates. However, property less this fall than on 2015 tax

Rivalry game brings Caldwell to Rocket Stadium

This year, the average homeowner in Crittenden County will pay \$499.73 in real property taxes - county general fund, school, library, health and Extension – based on the median home value of \$71,800. That's up \$1.44 over 2016 but down \$12.92 over

owners will still be paying what was paid in 2015 on the same value.

By comparison, the average 2016 homeowner in Kentucky paid \$682.28 in local taxes on the same value, almost \$200 more than the burden shouldered by Crittenden County property

All local county taxing districts have set their new property tax rates, with all remaining unchanged except a 0.1-cent raise per \$100 valuation for both the county and school district general funds.

County Clerk Carolyn Byford said special districts like the Lower Tradewater Floodplain and timberland fire protection also kept their 2016 levies. Optional fire dues for non-city properties also stayed steady at \$30.

According to Crittenden County PVA Ronnie Heady, there is \$403 million in taxable property in the county, including \$343.7 in real property. Inside the city there is \$116.2 million in taxable property, \$86.6 of which is

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Countywide 'nickel' referendum Tuesday

School tax goes to vote

By DARYL K. TABOR STAFF REPORT

If a new high school gets built in Crittenden County, school officials want the voters to know that a relocated football field and stadium is not part of the equation. That's the message supporters of a 5.9-cent school tax increase are now hoping to make clear just days ahead of Tuesday's referendum.

Friday, at the first of what Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark is calling "nickel rallies," he told the handful of people who had gathered that the overall \$8 million school construction project will leave the Rocket Stadium the gridiron and grandstands – as is.

"All (our) plans leave the football field where it is," Clark said.

Friday's crowd was a See NICKEL/Page 12

What is an 'equivalent nickel'?

On the ballot Tuesday is a school tax increase often referred to as a "second," "recallable" or "equivalent" nickel. It's sometimes called a second nickel because 5 cents - an original growth nickel per KRS 157.621, 1994 - of the school district's tax rate is restricted to capital projects. Recallable means voters can petition for a referendum to repeal the tax. Equivalent refers to how much revenue the tax would produced from 5 cents per \$100 valuation of all property and motor vehicles in the county. Districts must collect enough money to transfer that amount into their building fund. Locally, the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) has determined that rate to be 5.9 cents for 2017 tax bills. That figure could fluctuate each year. The "nickel" monicker and rate is determined by KDE.

How long will it last?

The nickel tax must be assessed for 20 years, the life of a bond to pay off a proposed new high school and renovations to other buildings. At the end of 20 years, the board of education could lift the tax.

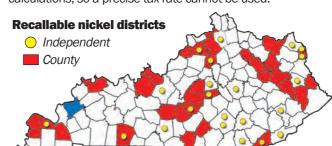
How much will it generate?

If it passes, the nickel tax would generate \$6.5 million in additional bonding (borrowing) potential for Crittenden County School district - \$3.4 million locally and a \$3.1 million match from the state. It would move total bonding potential to roughly \$11.25 million.

Tuesday's ballot question

"Are you for or against the Crittenden County Board of Education's levy of an equivalent tax rate of five (0.05) cents on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of real and personal tangible property to raise funds that would be dedicated strictly to major renovation of existing school facilities, new construction and debt service?'

While some have suggested the wording is misleading, the "equivalent" rate could fluctuate year to year based on KDE calculations, so a precise tax rate cannot be used.



Who has the nickel?

Fifty-five Kentucky boards of education have adopted a "recallalble nickel" for the purpose of capital projects for their respective school district, including six in far western Kentucky - Henderson, Marshall, McCracken, Ballard and Carlisle counties and Paducah Independent. School districts where the nickel property tax has been approved – whether through referendum or unchallenged board action - receive funds from the state to match new local revenue generated by the levy.

Proposed new high school attached to Rocket Arena

Farm to Table kicks off fall Chamber slate

It's harvest time in western Kentucky and the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is once again celebrating a bountiful crop by hosting its second annual Farm to Table Dinner.

The event is scheduled for Saturday. It will kick off with fellowship and finger foods at 6:30 p.m. at the Imogene Stout Market on Main. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m, on the shady, green area next to First Cumberland Presbyterian Church on West Bellville Street.

Tickets are limited to 50 seats and cost is \$50 a ticket.

All food presented as part of the meal and appetizers will have been grown, raised or purchased in Crittenden County.

For more information on this event, contact Chamber Executive Director Susan Alexander at (270) 965-5015. Tickets are also available at Marion Welcome Center and Bowtanicals.

The Chamber's fall schedule will continue to be busy through the holidays. The group's annual Pumpkin Fest is Oct. 7, there will be another Picture in the Park on Oct. 21, a Shop Small promotional on Nov. 25 and the Christmas Parade is set for Dec. 2 with some big new plans.

The Chamber meets regularly at 8 a.m., the first Thursday of each month at the Welcome Center at Marion Commons.

What's bugging you?

Officials: Now big time for ticks, chiggers

STAFF REPORT

What's bugging you right now? Are they ticks or

mites?

Health specialists say ticks and mites are very similar - both are arachnids, as are spiders and scorpions.

What people are calling turkey mites are actually ticks, says Charles Hiter, public health director at the Pennyrile Area Health Department.

ter, wet spring and moderately dry late

"Right now is a big summer - have created time for them," Hiter said. "They're ticks, or tick larvae."

Anyone who has these types of bites and experiences conditions such as fever, fatigue or flu-like symptoms should seek medical attention. Otherwise, the itch will

last from a few days to maybe a week or two. He explains that conditions over the last sevmonths including a mild win-

near perfect conditions for tick hatching.

Ticks and chiggers are the two culprits that are creating big problems for folks' ankles right now. Keeping them away is similar, but different.

Hiter recommends taking precautions when outdoors, especially in grown up or woody

"Wear socks and use a

repellant," Hiter said. Repellants are not all

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Letters to the Editor

P.O. Box 191, Marion, KY 42064

History's myths muddy waters

Sometimes it is best to leave history to the past. As time marches forward, truth begins to get trampled under-

foot. People who were participants and witnesses to history in the making die off. Facts begin to blur into myths. Boring or unattractive truths get cast aside. Romance, exaggeration and finally fiction arrive upon the field of battle to pick away and haul off souvenirs that are durable and interesting. The ground itself,

soaked in blood, sweat and tears, is left alone as too mundane and cumbersome to

Justice Bill

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Kentucky Supreme Court

So, we move century by century with an increasing ignorance of things as they really were.

We are now many bends of the river past the Civil War. And, the epoch story of AmericNa division and bloodshed is being reduced to simple explanations and TV sound bites.

The story has evolved that with the thundering of the inaugural guns at Fort Sumter, boys in blue from up north came sweeping down into the South, their sabers waving above their heads and with the burning intensity of knocking off the manacles of an enslaved race of people and releasING them from awful bondage. And the ole southern boys in the tattered gray were meeting them at the stone wall and giving up their young lives to be mingled with the blood of their fellow youth, for the purpose of keeping their human chattels chained to involuntary

servitude. Of course, that is all myth.

The Yanks came south to keep the United States united. The southern boys fought bravely for the right to form their

own country. It took blood, and lots of it, to decide the legality of secession.

Slavery? Unquestionably, a very indefensible and inconvenient issue. But still, an issue not yet deemed worthy of dying for by either side.

It soon became clear that the war was not going to be just a one month walk in the park. The mounting hor-

ror and bloody reports of the battlefields began to demoralize the northern populace, its political leaders and the soldiers. It is not a natural leaning of young boys from Iowa to dress up in blue and go kill other young boys in gray from Arkansas, who they don't even know. Nor to inflict suffering on other human beings for bleary reasons. Keeping the country united was a bleary reason. After all, the concept of independence-southern or otherwise-was a very familiar notion to all Americans. It had been only 85 years since the Revolutionary War, when north and south fought together to shake loose from the rule of the British crown.

So. for the north to hang tough with this horrible carnage and boys bearing almost unbearable suffering in the steamy climate a thousand miles away from home, there had to be explanations and a cause which stirred the soul. All platoons marching onto deadly ground, with bayonets gleaming in the sun, have to have their marching bands of beating drums, rousing brass bands and the lofty call of the trumpet. What had not been an issue worth fighting and dying for in the north, slowly seeped into the psychic of the Yankee cause.

Enter the brass bands, lifting poetry, powerful novels, and heartening cadence of marching hymns.

Enter "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and the rising chorus of the moving anthem which asks these young men to "trample out the vintage where the grapes of wrath have worn." The words of Julia Ward Howe are so inspirational, it almost makes me-even a century and a half laterwant to wage war for God. While such an idea may not have resonated with the totally ambivalent soldiers in blue, suffering and dying in the trenches, it sold well as a more tangible and palpable motivation for many, maybe most, of the people in the North.

The South had no such high level and moralistic anthem. It was stuck with the cancer of slavery, so intertwined in the war, that it began to eat away and finally destroy the honorable cause of independence and state's rights. President Jefferson Davis's offer to emancipate the slaves in exchange for official recognition by France and England; the emancipation of slaves who enlisted and fought for the Confederacy, came much too late, and was far too little. That cancer remains to this day, morphing into the destructive ignorance of those intent on destroying

Today, most all Americans have just enough knowledge of the history of the Civil War to be dangerous. Out of an upper level class of 28 students at a state university recently, only one student knew when the Civil War was fought. But there is a fair

chance, more than one of them will be in the mob to bring down a stone edifice of Robert E. Lee.

Kentucky's own Pulitzer Prize winner Robert Penn Warren tries in vain to be heard even today, speaking out from under the mounting debris of ignorance, misrepresentation and distortions. In his book "The Legacy of the Civil War" written for the Centennial in 1961, he brings the heavy hand of truth crashing down on the "virtue signaling" moralists of today's intellectually deficient monument marauders. He writes in part that the northerner feels redeemed, for he, "tends to rewrite history to suit his own deep needs."

Warren proceeds to smash through common myths which exist today. "It is forgotten," he laments, that the Republican Party — the party of Lincoln — of 1860 pledged protection of slavery in the states where it existed. "It is forgotten" that in 1861, and after the war started, the Republicans were willing to guarantee slavery in the southern states if they returned to the Union. "It is forgotten" that in 1861 the Union Congress voted almost unanimously to affirm that the Civil War was not to interfere with slavery but to maintain the Union. "It is forgotten" that the House Resolution declared that the war would cease as soon as the seceding states would return to the Union. "It is forgotten" that the revered and now sacred "Emancipation Proclamation" issued on SEPT. 23, 1862, was in part a political ploy to induce peace and not just the liberation of slaves. Slavery was to be abolished only in seceding states not all slave holding states and was to be recalled if those errant statehoods re-

turned to the Union by the first of the following January. "It is forgotten" that the proclamation was widely disapproved by northerners and led to the political defeat of office holders in subsequent elections. "It is forgotten" that many

northern states rejected the 14th Amendment to our U.S. Constitution and denied the Negro suffrage. "It is forgotten" that racial prejudice ran rampant in the Union Army and General Sherman himself was adamantly against army black troops firing upon white Rebels. "It is forgotten" that Abraham Lincoln in 1858, in a speech in Charlestown, Ill, declared "I am not, nor ever have been, in favor of bringing about in any way the social and political equality of the white and black races." "It is forgotten" that the Great Emancipator told black leaders visiting the White House in 1862, that "even when you cease to be slaves, you are yet far removed from being placed on an equality with the white race...It is better for us both to be separated." In that meeting he encouraged the black leaders to consider leaving the United States and establish a foreign state of their own. "It is forgotten" that the north was not any more enamored with racial justice than the south.

"It is forgotten" Warren finally concluded, "that history is history."

None of this diminishes the greatness of Lincoln. There is something great and heroic to be said about holding our country together. And no one can deny his expressed personal opposition to slavery. His statements today would be considered racist. In his day, they were considered broadly liberal and enlightened. Please,

please, leave his monuments alone.

Over the years, history slowly ceases to be history. It becomes something else. And that something else is whatever the hooting mobs and lords of self-righteousness announce it to be.

Slavery was a national sin. Drastic and unfulfilling as it may sound to the modern American ear, there is a strong argument that the abolition of slavery was merely a byproduct of the Civil War.

Thank God that slavery was abolished. Let's bow our collective heads in thanksgiving and forgive ourselves. And move on.

There is grave danger to our history in people tearing down monuments with a superficial and limited knowledge of history.

As a Vietnam vet, I'm haunted with the notion that 100 years from now the somber and reverential, black wall of granite in our nation's Capital honoring those who died for a cause far away from home and mostly unknowing as to why, will be bull dozed under tons of dirt. Napalm. Baby killers. Parrot's Beak. Cambodia invasion. Kent State. These will be terms bannered as total history of that war. The names of gallant young men who braved an early death for their country will be desecrated. Desecrated by noise makers who never heard a shot fired in

anger. A brand-new monument commemorating Woodstock will replace it.

(Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Bill Cunningham is a former judge and practicing attorney in western Kentucky. He is a resident of Lyon County and author of several books. His column appears in this newspaper periodically.)

school tax – **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR** - school tax

New school just pennies a day for most

To the editor

Taxes. I expect that I can safely say nobody likes taxes.

Exercise. A few people like exercise. At least a few more than nobody.

Hard Work. Some folks, like my nephew Tucker, don't mind hard work.

I do like a brand new, freshly black-topped, highway. One that is free of potholes with bright white and yellow stripes. I like trained law enforcement and first responders, Hospitals and in-

frastructure. I also like how I feel after a good workout – the strength I gain, the added energy, improved numbers on the scale and at the doctor's

I like looking at a loft filled with hay that we have hauled out of the field. I like finally getting to dip a paint brush after days and days of scraping and prep work.

Here's the bottom line: We may not like the sacrifice, but we like the results.

Taxes, exercise and hard work all produce results. Good results.

The question is are you, are we, willing to make the

Want a great school? We will have to sacrifice. A little. It works out to about \$10 a month for us - 33 cents a day. Most of us have that much in the bottom of our purse or rolling around in a

I'm willing to make that sacrifice to have a great school in Crittenden County. I hope you are too.

cup holder in our car.

Pam Collins, Crittenden County Board of Education, Marion, Ky

What's your opinion?

The Crittenden Press encourages our readers to share their opinion on any issue of local interest. Letters to the Editor should be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday for publication in the next week's issue.

Letters should include only the author's name. For verification purposes, they must also include the writer's home and e-mail addresses (if applicable), telephone number and signature. Phone numbers and addresses are required, but will not be published. Letters should be written in good taste and in most cases should not exceed 300 words. We reserve the right to reject or edit letters for any reason.

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Referendum not on tax but investment

To the editor

I am a lifelong resident of Crittenden County. I want to encourage the residents of Crittenden County to focus on the facts about the "second nickel." There are many myths that are floating around out there in our community right now, and honestly, school finance is a very complicated puzzle with many pieces, and these pieces are difficult to understand. The finance of buildings is one part of this complicated puzzle.

I know that some people are wondering why we are calling this a "second nickel." Many are wondering where the first nickel came from, and this is a good question. You would assume that if there is a second nickel, there had to be a first nickel.

However, the original nickel is a part of the existing property tax formula, and the district is required to earmark that nickel to facilities. It is not an additional tax; it's a part of the property tax. Every district has an embedded nickel that must be earmarked for facilities. This is what gives the school district

its bonding potential. I also know that there are rumors that levying the second nickel opens the door to a third nickel, and this is simply not the case. Anytime an additional nickel is levied by a board, there is always a time period for petition, and an election if the number of required petition signatures IS obtained. This is a requirement that cannot be ignored.

Instead of looking at this as a tax, I prefer to look at this as an investment...an investment in our children and in the future of our community. I will vote "Yes" for that investment in our future.

Tonya Driver, Supervisor of Instruction, Crittenden County Schools,

Marion, Ky.

Nickel tax investment for our future

To the editor

Most residents of County today have deep roots in this community. Yet for us, our roots were just recently transplanted. Eight years ago, my wife, Heather, began teaching at Crittenden

County Elementary School. It them the training they need didn't take us long to fall in love with the people of this

community. Shortly after she began teaching, I began working at Par 4 Plastics. We made the decision to enroll our children, Kylie, 8, and Korie, 4. into this school district, yet we still lived in Princeton. Last year, we firmly planted our roots in Crittenden County when we purchased our home and small farm. We were not raised in this community, but we are beyond proud that our children will be.

Heather's love for teaching and helping children make education her passion. But for me, education creates a better work force. In order to increase job opportunities and keep businesses in Marion, there must be a strong workforce. This comes from quality education and a variety of educational opportunities. Therefore, any advance in the education today will benefit the workforce and community tomor-

It's no secret that the current middle school is in desperate need of replacement. The building is a health and safety concern for the students and staff, and it isn't able to accommodate our district's growing needs. However, the "nickel tax" isn't just about having the money to replace an old building. It's about creating opportunities for students to prepare them for the future. The second nickel will allow our district to have funds to create more space for the growing number of students. and additional classrooms offering courses our students have never been able to take on campus. By doing this, our students will be able to work closely with businesses like

Par 4 and the hospital to give

to walk out of high school with actual experience and

training in a specific field. For these reasons, we will both be voting "Yes" Tuesday to support the second recallable nickel on property tax. Creating the best, quality education we can for our children is the most paramount investment we can make.

Zack Bloodworth, Husband of fifth-grade Crittenden County Schools teacher, Marion, Ky.

Myths about school funds cleared up

To the editor

On Tuesday, Crittenden County voters will go to the polls to vote on a equivalent nickel property tax levy to finance new school construction. To address misinformation and clarify some issues, consider the following points:

- School buses are financed through the Kentucky Interlocal School Transportation Association for 10 years. The financing is fully amortized over the 10 years, so at the end of the 10 years, the buses are totally debt-free.

- The construction or renovation of school buildings are financed through the sale of municipal bonds for 20 years. The financing is fully amortized over the 20 years, so at the end of the 20 years, the buildings are totally debt-free from the financed project.

- If a school building bond is refinanced, it is done so only to reduce the interest rate and therefore, the interest expense. If a school building bond is refinanced, it is done within the original

term of the bond. For example, if a 20-year bond is refinanced in its 10th year, then the new bond will only be for 10 years, so that the total term of the original bond plus the term of the refinanced bond are still for a total of only 20 years.

- The school board has an independent Certified Public Accountant perform a third party audit of the school dis-

trict's finances every year. - The school district has to submit its budget to the state two times each year. The school district is subject to an audit by the state at any

- A local sales tax would require an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. This requires majority action by the Kentucky Legislature and then a majority vote by the citizens of Kentucky. The concept has been brought up at least each of the past two years with no momentum in the Kentucky Legislature. So this option may be years away, if it is ever an option. Also, there has been no discussion if the Commonwealth of Kentucky would match the revenue from a local sales tax like they currently do with the second nickel on property taxes for school building projects.

> Chris Cook, Crittenden County Board of Education Marion, Ky.

Now time to secure future for children

To the editor

On Sept. 12, the taxpayers of Crittenden County will have the opportunity to make a difference for our community for the next sev-

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real estate.

City tax rates finalized

The City of Marion last Thursday OK'd its own rates, including a 0.6-cent increase on real property, as well as a 3.6-cent bump on tangible assets. The former will generate \$7,376 in new revenue for the struggling city, or about 4 percent over last year's revenue from real property. Meantime, the rate increase taken on tangible assets is considered the compensating rate, or a levy that will generate about the same revenue as the previous year. Because those assessments are down, the new rate will bring in about \$400 less revenue, leaving the city with an over-

all increase in general fund revenue of just under \$7,000.

The tax increases were approved unanimously, with Darrin Tabor and Dwight Sherer absent from the special meeting.

Based on the same median home value of \$71,800, city homeowners will pay \$165.14 on their 2016 tax bills being mailed out this month. Last year, they paid \$160.83. Meantime, the average Kentucky homeowner in an incorporated city paid slightly less at \$159.11 in

School tax still uncertain

If on next Tuesday voters approve a 5.9-cent school tax increase on real property and tangible assets, the burden on taxpayers will be greater than in many years. The overall burden on the average

county real property owner in 2017 would jump to \$540.65, \$42.36 more than without the so-called "nickel" tax for school construction.

Without the new levy awaiting ballot approval, school taxes would account for 66.7 percent of a county property owners' local tax burden. With it, that percentage moves to 69.1. percent. Of course, for city homeowners paying an additional property tax, the percentage of school tax drops by about 16 percent.

If the levy is approved by voters next week, Crittenden County homeowners will still be paying almost \$150 less in local taxes than the average Kentuckian.

County tax bills will be finalized after Tuesday's election and mailed to all property owners in the county.

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What's your tax burden?

	What you'll pay in 2017		What you pa	id in 2016	State average in 2016		
	2017	TAX ON	2016	TAX ON	2016 AVG.	TAX	
	LOCAL	\$71,800	LOCAL	\$71,800	LOCAL KY.	\$71.800	
	TAX RATE*	HOME	TAX RATE*	HOME	TAX RATE*	HOME	
State	12.20	\$87.60	12.20	\$87.60	12.20	\$87.60	
County	23.20 0.1 .	\$165.86	23.10	\$165.86	31.95	\$229.40	
General fund	11.60 40.1.	\$83.29	11.50	\$82.57	n/a	n/a	
Library	5.00	\$35.90	5.00	\$35.90	n/a	n/a	
Health	3.00	\$21.54	3.00	\$21.54	n/a	n/a	
Extension	3.60	\$25.85	3.60	\$25.85	n/a	n/a	
School	46.40▲0.1 .	\$333.15	46.30	\$332.43	63.07	\$452.84	
County resident	81.80	\$587.32	81.60	\$585.89	107.22	\$769.84	
Marion	23.00▲0.6 .	\$165.14	22.40	\$160.83	22.16	\$159.11	
City resident	104.80	\$752.46	104.00	\$746.72	129.38	\$928.95	

*Tax rates expressed as cents per \$100 valuation

Other property-related taxes on county tax bills

- County fire dues (outside City of Marion only): \$30 unless opted out.
- Lower Tradewater River Floodplain*: 32.4 cents on affected real property only
- Timberland fire protection*: 2 cents per affected acre

If "nickel" school tax is approved next week

 A tax levy on property of 5.9 cents per \$100 valuation will be added to the school tax rate, bumping it to 52.3 cents per \$100 valuation. The average homeowner would then pay \$375.51 in school taxes based on \$71,800, the median value of a home in Crittenden County.

Taxable real estate values

- City of Marion taxable assessment (real, tangible, motor vehicles and boats): \$116.2 million
- Crittenden County taxable assessment (real, tangible, motor vehicles and boats): \$405.1. million

How do you figure?

To calculate your taxes, take the value of your property, divide by 100 and multiply by the tax rate expressed as dollars. For example, $$100,000 / 100 \times $0.818 = 818.00 .

PUBLIC NOTICES

OK'd amendment adjusts budget for work on city drive

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Passage and Summary of Ordinance Ordinance No. 17-13: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 17-05 - The City of Marion, Kentucky Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 07/01/17 through 06/30/2018

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a special called meeting held on August 31, 2017 at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the City Council held on August 21, 2017, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance amends Ordinance Number 17-05 Annual Budget Amendment such that the Public Transportation is increased from \$59,200.00 to \$94,700.00. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City

Building, Marion, Kentucky,

inspection.

where it is available for public

Prepared by: Robert B. Frazer City Attorney Frazer & Massey Attorneys -At- Law P.O. Box 361 Marion, Ky 42064 (270) 965-2261 August 31, 2017

Council revises ordinances codes to remain current

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Passage and Summary of Ordinance Ordinance Number 17-12 an Ordinance Amending Marion Code of Ordinances

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a special called meeting held on August 31, 2017, at 5:00 o'clock p.m.,

gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at it's regular called meeting of the City Council held on August 21, 2017, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance adopts the 2017 S-31 Supplement to the Marion Code of Ordinances as submitted by American Legal Publishing Corporation. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection. Prepared by:

Robert B. Frazer City Attorney Frazer & Massey Attorneys -At- Law P.O. Box 361 Marion, Ky 42064 (270) 965-2261 August 31, 2017

City council sets new tax levies for 2017 tax year

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Passage and Summary of Ordinance Ordinance Number 17-09 An Ordinance Relating to the Tax Levy for the Year of 2017

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at it's special called meeting held on August 31, 2017, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at a regular called meeting of the City Council held on August 21, 2017, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

This Ordinance levies an ad valorem tax on each One Hundred Dollar of Fair Cash value of the below listed property in the City of Marion, Kentucky:

\$.230 per One Hundred Dollar for Real Property; \$.222 per One Hundred Dollar for Personal Property; \$.230 per One Hundred Dollar for Public Utilities; \$.229 per One Hundred Dollar for Motor Vehicles;

and \$.229 per One Hundred Dollar for Motor Boats. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection.

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Marion amends handbook policies for employees

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Passage and Summary of Ordinance Ordinance No. 17-11: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of The City of Marion, Kentucky, by Amending Chapter 35: Personnel Policies to Adopt a New Employee Handbook for Employees of the City

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LETTERS

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eral decades. I encourage you to vote "Yes" on the nickel tax (5.9 cents per \$100 valuation). I am a property owner and taxpayer. I have no children or grandchildren in the school system currently, but am proud to have had three children graduate from the Crittenden County School System. I am also a retired educator and, last but not least, I am a proud citizen of Crittenden County and have been all my life.

Please consider this when

- The children of Crittenden County deserve to be the top priority in our community. They ARE not only our future, but our present. We do not want to send a message that they are not worth

an additional 5.9 percent. - This tax is not just investing in our children, but also in the whole community. A community's school system represents that community. The more people we attract to the community, whether relocating or coming back home, the more tax-

BUGGING

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created equal. To keep ticks

off, you must use an insecti-

cide that includes the active

ingredient Permethrin or

some type of pyrethroid.

This type of spray actually

kills ticks. Chiggers are an-

other matter. They can be

driven back by sprays or

rub-on repellents that con-

tain DEET, such as products

under the brand names Cut-

ter, Repel or Off. Those prod-

ucts do not seem to be as

effective at warding off the

small ticks that are biting

as harvest mites, perhaps

because at harvest time is

when they're most active.

Chiggers are also known

people right now.

payers there will be to shoulder the tax burden. A family looking for a place to call home will most often check the school system before anything else. Even if they do not have children, people relocating look at the level of support the school system has in the community. That level of support (or lack of) tells a lot about the community; about its values and priorities.

- The current middle school is old and like anything else that is old, it does not work or fit our needs like it once did. Also, like other old things, it takes money and time to even keep it up. This time and money can best be spent in a new build-

- The state is offering this matching grant (almost dollar for dollar) now! There is no guarantee that the state will offer this type of matching funds in the future!

For parents of school age children, this is the best and cheapest way you can improve your children's education. Parents, please go vote.

There is a lot of misinformation circulating throughout the community about

They are microscopic para-

sites that latch onto and bite

warm blooded crea-

tures like you and me.

Despite common be-

lief, they don't drill

into your skin and set

up shop. Pasting them

over with nail polish

will not smother

them, but it will create

a crusty mess on your

"I have heard of that rem-

edy, but by the time you see

a red spot on your skin, the

chigger is long gone," said

Dee Brasher, the Agriculture

Extension Agent in Critten-

ing right after hiking or

being in places where chig-

gers or ticks might be com-

mon. It's a good preventative method, especially for chig-

She recommends shower-

personal exterior.

den County.

this matter, so I urge you to look at the facts for yourself. After doing so, please go to the polls on Sept. 12 and vote for the option you feel will best serve all the citizens of Crittenden County now and in the future.

> Phyllis 'O Neal, Former Crittenden County

Schools teacher and former principal of elementary schools in Smithland and Calvert City, Marion, KY.

2nd nickel benefits kids, community

To the editor

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. Let me start with, I will be voting "Yes" for the second nickel to benefit our children and educators of this community.

The following is why: - Our children and the community's future need it and deserve it.

- It is the one tax that we will see where our money is actually going.

- It will have a return on investment that is immeasurable.

- Schools are part of the recruitment package for new businesses and new entrepreneurs to our community.

- For our family, the increase is equivalent to one 20 oz. soda a week. We can give up one soda pop around

Here is what I know. The increase doesn't give the school board free reign on raising taxes without a vote. This increase is strictly for capital improvements. It can't be useD for salaries, athletics or daily operations. The cost of renovation of the current middle school outweighs the building of a new structure. Waiting on the state government to pass another method for capital improvements for school districts will not get us a new school anytime soon, if ever.

We, as a community, support our kids in other ways every day. Why not take this opportunity to support them for the future as well?

Robin Curnel, Member Crittenden County Schools' Local Planning Committee, Marion, Ky.

Voter 411

WHO?

Anyone over 18 who registered to vote in Crittenden County with their correct address by Aug. 15.

WHAT?

The special election will feature only one question – whether you are for or against a proposed school tax increase.

WHEN?

Polls are open Tuesday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Anyone in line to vote at 6 p.m. will get to vote. If you will be out of town on Election Day, you can vote on the absentee machine inside County Clerk Carolyn Byford's office until 4 p.m. Monday.

WHERE?

There are 12 polling precincts in Crittenden County. If you are unsure where you vote, contact Byford's office at (270) 965-3403 or visit GoVoteKy.com and click on the "Review Your Registration" tab. The precincts, their locations and number of registered voters are as follows:

POLLING LOCATION	PRECINCT	VOTERS
Crittenden County Courthouse	Marion No. 1	858
Emmanuel Baptist Church	Marion No. 2	538
Marion Baptist Church		842
Marion Ed-Tech Center	Marion No. 4	779
Crittenden County Public Library	Fords Ferry No. 5	190
St. William Catholic Church		674
Mexico Baptist Church	Frances No. 7	610
Grace Baptist Church	Frances No. 8	256
Deer Creek Baptist Church	Sheridan No. 9	729
Tolu Community Center	Tolu No. 10	462
Mattoon Fire Department	Rosebud No. 11	453
Shady Grove Fire Department	Shady Grove No. 12.	302

WHY?

Crittenden County Board of Education on June 1 approved an "equivalent nickel" tax increase for \$8 million construction of a new high school and renovations to the current high school to accommodate middle-schoolers. It would also finance razing the 1949 portion of Crittenden County Middle School and renovating another segment for a new central office. Petitioners subsequently obtained enough signatures to recall the tax, or send it to a countywide vote.

HOW?

There will be only one type of voting machine used at each poll. The eScan machines use a paper ballot on which you will vote by darkening in the box next to the question and running it through the electronic scanner. Election workers will be on hand to assist voters who may need help.

gers which don't tend to latch on too tightly and will wash off easily.

Chiggers dine on humans and move on to bite again. In their wake, they leave a red, swollen spot; a skin irritation or dermatitis that can be the bane of a person's existence if inflicted en masse.

The best treatment for chigger bites is a topical analgesic, something with hydrochloride, zinc acetate hydrocortisone. and/or

the only remedy. You can, however, scratch the spot until it becomes a sore. Some folks think sores heal quicker than chigger bites. Hiter said that he doesn't

Stopping the itch is about

have any data or way to quantify it, BUT there seems to be an uptick in the number of regional cases of bed bugs and lice.

'I have anecdotally heard an increased number of possible bed bugs as well as lice," he said. "No hard numbers, there just seems to be more of it right now."

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PURSUANT TO KRS 424.290, "MATTERS REQUIRED TO BE PUBLISHED," THE FOLLOWING QUESTION WILL APPEAR ON THE VOTING MACHINES AND PAPER BALLOTS IN ALL PRECINCTS IN CRITTENDEN COUNTY FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017.

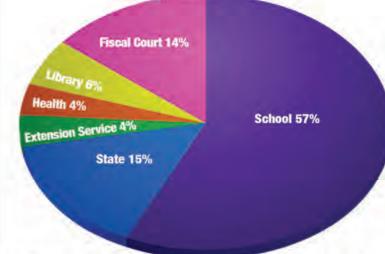
QUESTION

Are you for or against the Crittenden County Board of Education's levy of an equivalent tax rate of five (0.05) cents on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of real and personal tangible property to raise funds that would be dedicated strictly to major renovation of existing school facilities and new construction?

FOR **AGAINST**

VOTE AGAINST INCREASE IN TAXES FOR NEW SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

***The pie chart below is a document from the PVA office and the debt reported in this article comes directly from documents the school board provided. 2016 Real Estate Property Tax



Jurisdiction	Amount	Rate
Extension	\$4.41	\$0.036
Health	\$3.68	\$0.030
Library	\$6.13	\$0.050
Fiscal Court	\$14.09	\$0.115
School	\$56.74	\$0.463
State	\$14.95	\$0.122
	\$100.00	\$0.816
	470000	\$0.01

- 1. The fiscal court section of this pie chart represents the county's portion received in property taxes (14%). This pays for all county employee's salaries, insurance, vehicles, county road repairs (asphalt & gravel), machinery fuel, maintenance on property and machinery, misc. debts; such as the jail and other expenses too numerous to list.
- 2. The school is receiving 57% of all county property taxes and has raised taxes 7 of the last 10 years.3. The \$6.7 million school project is Phase 1 of a 3 phase project.
- 4. Based upon a 4% loan and when the states decide to pay their portion of the matching dollars, the state's
- portion may not even cover the interest on the \$6.7 million project. 5. As of June 30, 2017, the school board owes \$6,240,000 plus interest on construction projects. (per school board documents)
- As of June 30, 2017, the school board owes \$929,877.14 for school buses. This does not include school buses recently purchased. (per school board documents)
- 7. According to Air Source Technology, the mold risk to students is minimal so the urgency for a new school is decreased.

THE QUESTION IS: DO WE REALLY NEED THIS NEW SCHOOL THIS BAD AT THIS TIME TO LEAVE OUR CHILDREN WITH A DEBT THEY WILL NEVER GET PAID OFF? Paid for by the Citizens Against Tax Increase for New School

Marion's 1st telephone service 15 years in making

getting interested in having its own telephone service

was in May of 1883, but it was 15 years later before Mr. J.T. Alexander showed up with the real thing. Let's follow along with The Crittenden Press as it tells the history of Marion and Crittenden County's first telephone service.

May 2, 1883

The citizens held a meeting at the courthouse Saturday night to consider the tele-

phone enterprise. J.W. Blue was made chairman and D. Woods, Secretary, G.C. Gray was made a trustee to receive the money subscribed. W.J.L. Hughes, R.W. Wilson and F.G. Greer were appointed as a committee to examine and receive the work when done, and order the trustee to pay the money to the company is built.

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Passages

Nov. 24, 1898

The Shady Grove correspondent tells the news that their town is certainly on a boom. The Alexander Telephone will have an office here in a few days and we will be in communication with Providence and Marion and the outer world generally. Mr. W.H. Towery will manage the depart-

Jan. 12, 1899

Mr. J.T. Alexander, the telephone man from Providence, spent a day in Marion last week soliciting subscribers for the local exchange he proposes to put in. He secured 60 subscribers, a sufficient number to warrant him to put in the exchange, and within 60 days he expects to have the wires and everything ready for business

A room in the second story of the Carnahan building will be used for the central office.

Alexander will immediately begin the work of extending the line from Shady Grove to Marion and expects to have it completed within 60 days.

Jan. 26, 1899

Tuesday, Mr. T.J. Alexander began the work of constructing the telephone lines for the exchange in Marion.

Three or four

car loads of fine cedar poles were unloaded, and a force of 10 or 15 hands are digging holes and setting them. All of the wire, the instruments and switch board have been purchased, and will be here in a few days, and the work will be pushed right along

until completed. Rooms on the second floor of the Carnahan block have been secured for the central office.

Mr. Alexander is here superintending the work. He tells us that as soon as he completes his contract in Marion he will begin to branch out. He runs what he calls individual lines. That is where three or four farmers in the country -2, 3 or even 7 miles out - will take instruments and run the line and connects them with the Marion exchange. By this means people in the country can talk to any subscriber in town or vice versa.

Feb. 23, 1899

Alexander's telephone exchange began operating yesterday, and by the last of the week all of the 80 instruments in town will be ringing up central.

The lines all work splendidly and the patrons so far are exceedingly well



The vintage picture above, taken in Shady Grove in the early 1900s, was to showcase the first telephone pole and line that was placed in Crittenden County. W. Henry Towery, owner of the home in the foreground, was in charge of the telephones in Shady Grove. The line next would be run to Iron Hill (Deanwood) and eventually into the town of Marion. Inset, this photo shows Marion's first telephone pole and lines. It was placed at the corner of Main and West Bellville streets. The business office and switchboard was in the upstairs of what we remember as the Red Front Store and later the Western Auto Store.

pleased.

Mr. Alexander went to Tolu yesterday to talk telephone to the people there, and doubt less there will be no trouble in arranging for a line from Marion to that place, with offices at Sheridan, Irma and Crittenden Springs

March 27, 1899

On the other end of the county in the Tolu community, they relay the message that they have complied with the requirements and a telephone line will soon be in operation from Tolu to Marion.

Alexander's Telephone, Marion Exchange listing is printed in The Crittenden Press. It has 159 paid subscribers. A few of the names and numbers are: Press Office - 11, J.W. Blue, residence – 3; R.F. Door, Undertaker – 68-2; James & James, Attorneys - 70-3.

By 1900 the phone lines had been run to the following communities, the people in charge of the switch-

- boards in these areas were: - Irma: S.S. Sullenger.
 - Iron Hill: J.N. Dean.
- Tribune: Wm. N. Travis. Crayneville: Hugh
- Glenn.
- Mexico: Tabor & Stephenson.
 - Mattoon: J.R. Sum-

- Sheridan: W.R. Gibbs. - Tolu: Bozeman Bros.

When people had a phone installed in their home or place of business they were given some instruction on the proper way to use the new phone.

General Information for Use: To call Central Office, give the bell crank one sharp turn, then take receiver from hook, place firmly to the ear and listen for the operator to answer, give operator the number or name of the party with whom you wish to communicate, and operator will at once make the call for you, or report that line called for is in use.

Subscribers are requested not to enter into conversation with the oper-

Marion Sept. 7, 1958 **Telephone Company Plans Switch to Dial Operation**

Southern Bell Telephone has set Sept. 7, 1958, as the date when the Marion exchange will cut over from manual to dial operation. The change will take place at 1:01 a.m. After that telephone users will hear a humming dial tone instead of a female voice saying "Number please" when they pick up their receivers.

All users will have to dial

seven figures and numbers to place a local call. Although not strictly necessary for an exchange this size, the system will make possible Marion's eventual inclusion in Bell's plans for nationwide long distance dialing.

The name of the Marion exchange will be "Yorktown." Dialers will select the letters "YO" and the five numbers of their party when placing a call.

Personnel from Eastern Electric have been installing the switches and relays that make up the complicated automatic exchange for several weeks. The work is being installed in the new building on North College.

When the change occurs there will be no operators working in Marion. All local calls will be automatic and long distance calls will be handled by operators in Paducah.

The remaining Bell personnel in Marion will be Mrs. Maietta Jones, who will remain as full-time business manager and two repairmen. Displaced operators have been promised positions elsewhere in the Bell system if they want

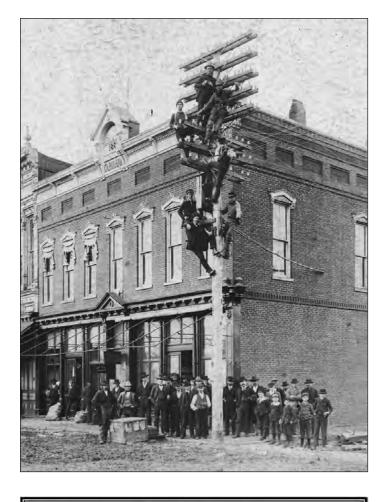
Specially trained collegeage girls have been visiting telephone subscribers the past two weeks putting new numbers on the discs in the middle of the sets dials and training people in the use of the dial. The company has also set up a table on the street in downtown Marion so passersby can practice using the dial before the

change takes effect. There are three separate signals new users will become accustomed to - the steady hum of the dial tone, the buzz-buzz-buzz of the busy signal and a periodic burring sound that indicated the telephone being

called is ringing. An incoming call will cause the phone to ring at regular intervals until the call is completed or the calling party hangs up. An earsplitting howl is used to attract attention of a subscriber who has carelessly left his receiver off the

In 1958 the new dial phone was very modern and up to date, and was hard to get used to using. But now, in 2017, look at the technology that has taken place and even a landline phone has almost become an an-

(Brenda Underdown is chair of Crittenden County Historical Society and a member of Crittenden County Genealogical Society. More local history can be found at OurForgotten Passages.blogspot.com.)



NOTICE CITY PROPERTY TAX OWNERS

2017 PROPERTY TAX BILLS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 1, 2017 interest and penalties will accrue after this date.

> **CITY OF MARION** 217 S. Main Street Marion, Kentucky 42064 (270) 965-4177

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If you would like to view our most recent financial statement, please visit us at our home office located at 1534 US Hwy. 60 E., Marion, during our normal office hours of 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (closed noon-1 p.m.).

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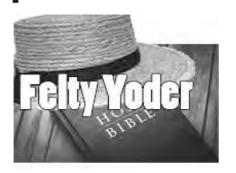
Seeking a spirited life begotten in the hearts

The change of heart by which we become children of God is spoken about in the Bible as a new birth.

It is compared to a seed down in the ground that germinates, and grows, "first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear." (Mark 4:28).

It is only through the life which God himself has imparted that the plant can live. The plant grows by receiving air, sunshine, water and food from its surroundings which ministers to its life. It cannot grow and flourish by its own care or effort, but by receiving what God has furnished to minister to its life.

In like manner those who are just converted to Christ are as new born babies, and are to grow up to the statue of men and women in Christ Jesus. From the natural life we can draw illustrations to help us better understand the mysterious truths of



the spirited. It is only through the life from God that spirited life is begotten in the hearts of men.

Unless a man is "born from above" he cannot become a partaker of the life which Christ came to give. We cannot secure spiritual growth by our own power or effort, it is granted us by trusting in and communicating with Christ. In the gift of His Son Jesus, God has encircled the whole world with an atmosphere

of grace as real as the air which circulates around the globe. All who choose to breathe this life-giving atmosphere will grow up to the statue of men and women in Christ Jesus.

Jesus teaches the same thing when he says, "Abide in me and I in you, as the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide on the vine, no more can ye, except ye abide in me." (John 15:4)

We are just as dependent upon Christ in order to live a good life as the branch is on the vine to have life. Apart from Him we have no life. We have no power to resist temptation, or grow in grace and holiness. Our growth, our joy, and our usefulness all depend on our union and communication with Him.

We abide in Christ in the same way as we received Him at first.

"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus The Lord, so walk you in Him." (Col. 2:6).

When we gave ourselves to God to be wholly His, and to serve and obey Him, and by faith took Christ for our own Savior, we could not of ourselves atone for sins, or change our heart. Believing He did all this for us, we are now to walk in Him by faith. As we received Him, we are to grow up in Him. He is our strength, blessing, righteousness and everlasting

When Christ took human nature upon Him, He bound humanity to Himself by a tie of love that can never be broken by any power, save the choice of man himself.

(Editor's note: Felty Yoder, of the Salem area, shares his views periodically in this newspaper. His opinions are his own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.)





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from 1 to 3 p.m. every Thursday

at the church's Family Life Center.

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between Lola and Joy in Liv-

ingston County offers food 24

hours a day, 7 days week at its

outdoor Blessing Box in front of

month in Coleman Hall of the

- The clothes closet at Mexico Baptist Church is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday. Monday thru Friday - The clothes closet of First Baptist Church of Fredonia is open

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Weekly Devotion

In this week's devotion, I want to look at the sixth church which is the Church in Philadelphia. Our text is Revelation 3:7-13, but I'll use verse 7.

"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia writes: These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth." (KJV)

The location of this church was just below Sardis and its time span lasted around 150 years, but the characteristics of this church remain on this earth along with the Church of the Laodiceans to the Rap-

The Philadelphian Church represents the True Church of the last days that will be raptured off of this earth, while the Laodicean Church represents the church that will be "spewed out" by the Lord into the Tribulation Period. Space does not permit me to look at important in depth things, but I'll cover

them in the pulpit of the church.

In verse 7, the Lord delivers this message to the pastor of the church. Every church needs a pastor who will give the people God's Word, not the cultural whims of an unbelieving, "seeker oriented society.

The church in Philadelphia had just such a man, who guided his people in the right ways of God and challenged them to guard God's truth. The Lord declared Himself to be who He is, holy, true and the authority in the church to open doors and shut doors. Let me say that Jesus Christ is the door of salvation (John 10) and His gospel is the key (Matthew 16).

In verse 8, the Lord reveals that His eyes are on the mission endeavors of His church. The mission of the church is to "rescue the perishing," and not "kingdom building.

In verse 9, the Lord declares that He will do two things one day at the same time. He will expose the "professors of religion" and exalt the "possessors of His salvation.'

STEPPING STONES

In verse 10, the Lord promises those who possess His salvation that He will keep them from the seven-year tribulation period that is coming immediately following the Rapture of the His

Finally, in verses 11-13, God's children are instructed as to what we are to do in light of our Lord's return. We are not to "lose our rewards," we are not to "let anyone cause us to lose the rejoicing of being an overcomer," and we are not to "let anyone cause us to reject the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our life and ministry.

I am beginning to do an in depth study on the Book of the Revelation in the Sunday evening services. If you want a contextual, clear and concise exposition of the truths found in this prophetical book, we invite you to at-

Editor's note: Joey Durham, pastor of Sturgis Baptist Church, shares his views periodically in this newspaper. His opinions are his own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

Church Events & Outreach

- Seven Springs Baptist Church will hold Homecoming revival Sept. 24-29 with Bro. Austin Weist, evangelist. The Sept. 24 service begins at 11 a.m., following will be a meal and an afternoon service at 2:30 p.m. The services Sept. 25-29 are at 7 nightly. Pastor Garland encourages all to come hear God's mes-

- Sugar Grove Presbyterian Church invites everyone to its revival beginning at 6 p.m., Sept. 24. Revival will start at 7 p.m., on Sept. 25-27. Bro. Ray Lathern will be the speaker. If you need a ride, send a message on Facebook to "Sugar Grove Cumberland Pres-

- Caldwell Springs Baptist Church will have a Quilt Show from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 16. The theme will be Lydia, seller of purple cloth, Acts. 16:14-15. There will be door prizes, sewing demonstrations, refreshments, modern and vintage quilts. The church is located at 2212 Ky. 855 South in rural Crittenden County near Frances. Watch for the signs.

- Enon General Baptist Church will host its revival at 7 p.m., Sept. 11-13. Bro. Barry Cullen will be speaker. Special singing will be provided nightly. Bro. David Perryman and congregation would like to welcome everyone.

- Fredonia Unity Baptist Church's clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of every month.

- First Baptist Church of Fredonia food pantry is open from 1 to 3



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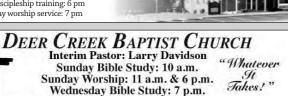


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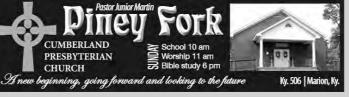


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Area Deaths

Allen

Gloria Allen, 70, of Marion died Friday, Sept. 1, 2017 at Crittenden County Health And Rehabilitation

Surviving are a daughter. Jeania Short of Marion; a son, David Short of Madisonville; a brother, James Allen of Nashville, Tenn.; a sister, Tammy Roper of Alabama; and seven grandchil-

She was preceded in death by her parents, Heairl and Sydney Allen.

Services were Tuesday, Sept. 5 at Gilbert Funeral Home. Burial was at Mapleview Cemetery in Marion.

Ramage

Benjamin Kyle Ramage, 37, of Salem died Monday, Sept. 4, 2017 at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He had been a resident of Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation since Nov. 9, 1998.

Surviving are his mother, Karen (Agnew) Ramage of Burna; father and stepmother, Darrell and Regina Ramage of Salem; sister,

Anyone interested in

having a float or other entry

in the annual football

homecoming parade has

only a few days to get regis-

the annual football home-

coming parade is Tuesday,

Sept. 19. The parade will be

held on Main Street in Mar-

ion on Thursday, Sept. 28.

The theme is "Rockets

Deadline for entries in

tered.

Homecoming parade seeks

entries with creative "Game"

Megan DeBat of Simpsonville, S.C.; step-sisters, Michaela Franklin of Marion and MaKaela Franklin of Salem; maternal grandparents, Lloyd and Joretta Agnew of Henderson; and step-niece and nephews, Aubrey DeBat, Cameran Stone and Dreagen Hill.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Lyman and Trevel Ramage.

Graveside services were Wednesday, Sept. 6 at Salem Cemetery with Bro. Lee Bush officiating.

Memorials may be made the Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation Activity Fund, 509 North Hayden Avenue, Salem KY

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

Most obituaries in The Crittenden Press are published at no charge. However, extended obituaries are available for a small fee. There is no charge for use of a photo. Please ask your funeral director about feebased obituaries.

Guns stolen from Fords Ferry area

Crittenden County Sheriff's Department is investigating the burglary of a home in rural Crittenden County.

The burglary occurred a few weeks ago at the home of former county magistrate Percy Cook. Taken were multiple firearms and other items. The residence is located on Old Fords Ferry Road in the northern part of the county.

Among the guns missing were a Savage .270 rifle with a scope; Savage .30-06; Win-

mount scope; J.C. Higgins .22 auto-lading rifle with scrope; Ruger .22 autoloading rifle with scope; Thompson Center .45-caliber black powder rifle; Remington 870 20-gauge pump shotgun; Remington 870 12-gauge pump shotgun; two Remington model 20 12-gauge shotguns; Stoeger 12-gauge over-under shotgun; Benelli Nova 12-gauge shotgun; and an 8mm military style rifle.

All of the long guns had

wooden stocks except for the Nova.

Also taken was a 32-inch television. Deputy

Chuch Hoover said some of the guns have been recovered and one man is charged with receiving stolen property. Andrew Bryan, 20, of Hampton was scheduled to appear in Crittenden District Court this

the receiving stolen property charge, plus additional drug charges. He is also on parole from a Livingston County burglary conviction.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to call TipLine at (270) 965-3500. If an arrest is made, you could be eligible for a reward.

Arbor offering free trees

Everyone who joins the Arbor Day Foundation in September will receive 10 free trees as part of the Foundation's Trees for America program.

Through Trees for America, everyone is encouraged to plant trees, which benefit the environment and improves quality of life. With nearly 1 million members and supporters, the Arbor Day Foundation is the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to planting trees.

Everyone joining this month will receive one of the following tree packages based on their location: 10 Arizona Cypress, 10 Live Oak or 10 Mix trees including eastern redbud, white pine, sugar maple, white flowering dogwood, pin oak, red maple, river birch, silver maple, northern red oak, and Colorado blue spruce.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To receive the trees, send a \$10 membership fee to Ten Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410 or join online.

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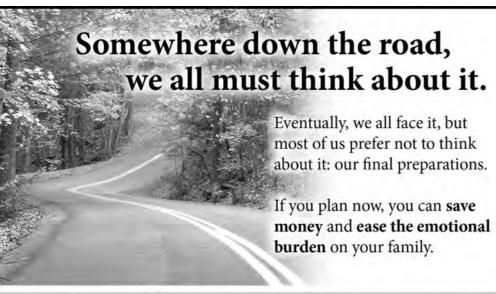
cluding sports, board games, video games or others. Organizers encourage entries to be creative with

To enter, contact Glenna

The annual football homecoming game is Friday, Sept. 29 when the Rockets take on district rival Fulton City. Kickoff will be at 7 p.m.. Pre-game ceremonies and coronation of the queen will begin at 5:45 p.m.



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Woman seeks genealogy help

A descendent of Crittenden County is seeking genealogical information on her family.

Merry McDonald is looking for help in her research on the Manus family. Her grandmother was born in September of 1879 near Crittenden County. Her greatgrandmother married Hiram Tackeill in October of 1876 in Crittenden County. She is looking for her greatgrandfather and family.

If you have any information you believe can help in her search. McDonald can be reached at catsowl.mac@gmail.com.

If you are seeking genealogical information from our readers, send your query to (270) 965-3191 or thepress@thepress.com.

Calendar

- Crittenden County Retired Teachers will hold their fall meeting at 4 p.m., Tuesday at Marion United Methodist Church.

- Crittenden County High School SBDM will meet at 4 p.m., Tuesday at the high school.

- The Crittenden **County Genealogy** Society will meet at 10 a.m., Saturday at the Crittenden County Public Library. After a short meeting the group will visit the Ben Clement Mineral Museum.

 The CCHS Class of 1964 will have a reunion picnic Saturday at Riverview Park (formerly Dam 50) beginning at 1 p.m. A barbecue dinner will be served at 5 p.m. The cost is \$40 per couple or \$20 per single.

- Burna American **Legion** is collecting donated items for a yard sale to be held Oct. 5-7. Anyone needing to have items picked up may contact Terry Black at (270) 988-2865, Pat Peck at (270) 988-2278, Mary Black at (270) 988-3486 or Faye Gibson at (270) 988-2127. All proceeds will go toward upkeep of monument.

- Marion's Carson **Davidson National Guard** Armory will be having its annual reunion Saturday. All former and current members are welcome. For more information contact Rick Nelson (270) 704-5140 or Roger Lubben (270) 625-8867.

- In celebration of its 40year reunion, Crittenden **County High School** Class of 1977 is organizing a multi-class reunion for the classes of 1975-1980 beginning at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 16 at Fohs Hall. Cost is \$20 per person payable at the door.

- The 20-year class reunion for CCHS Class of 1997 is scheduled for 6 p.m., Saturday at Drake Creek Golf Club, 1 Torrey Pines Dr., Ledbetter, Kv. Entertainment by Ridin Shotgun. Cost is \$30 per person.

- American Legion Post 217 and Auxiliary will be meeting at Post in Burna at 6:30 p.m., Friday. A meal will be served at 6:30. A meeting will follow the meal. If you are a member or potential member, we encourage you to join with us as plans are made for several upcoming events, including:

 All-you-can-eat breakfast on Saturday. Cost is \$6 and includes bacon, sausage, eggs, gravy, biscuits, hash browns, coffee, juice served between 7-10 a.m. Funds raised are used for veteran activities including the memorial garden.

 District 1 VFW Posts and Units of Kentucky will meet at noon, Sunday at Lee Jones Park in Eddyville. Registration will begin at noon with a meal provided at 1 p.m. This is a joint meeting of the Posts in District 1 and Auxiliary Units in District 1.

- An organizational meeting of the Marion-**Crittenden County Park** Board will be held at 5 p.m., Oct. 5 in the conference room of the public library. The public is invited to attend.



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Rogers honored as outstanding judge

Fifth Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers was recently named Outstanding Family Court Judge by the Kentucky Citizens Foster Care Review Board. Rogers was nominated by the Union County Foster Care Review Board and selected by state officials. Rogers (second from left) is pictured with (from left) her husband Grant, foster care board chair Tom Stevenson and board members Lark Buckman and Richard Vincent and Administrative Office of the Courts Representative Dolores Smith. Rogers serves Crittenden, Union and Webster counties. Judge Rogers lives in Crittenden County with her husband and daughter Charlie.

Heady attends judges' college

Court Judge Daniel M. Heady who serves Crittenden, Union and Webster counties participated in sessions on criminal evidence, forensics, implicit bias, legislation and more at the 2017 District Judges College in Covington from Aug. 22-25. The Education Committee of the Kentucky District Judges Association and the Office of Judicial Branch Education at the Administrative Office of the Courts developed the college.

Among legislation covered at the college was Senate Bill 120, a criminal justice reform bill that took effect June 29. The legislation allows people convicted of felonies to gain work experience and wages while incar-

Extension

- Morning Glories

at 10 a.m., Monday at the

a great time to kick off with

Homemakers will start their

new meeting year at noon, Sept. 13 at the Extension

Annex. New members are

Group will be host guest speaker Denise Adams, APRN

at 10 a.m., Sept. 15 at the

learning more about this

is welcome to attend.

Extension Office. Anyone who

has diabetes or is interested in

disease and how to prevent it

- Join ANR Agent Dee

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Sept. 16 at the Imogene Stout

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more about "The Pressure is

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understanding why "The

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Challengers Extension

cerated, duces probation and parole times for certain offenders and prevents people from being jailed for not

being able to

Heady pay court costs. The session covered new rules and best prac-

The judges also attended sessions on polygraph, search and seizure, family law, guardianship, social media and ethics, and substance abuse and mental health topics. The 2017 General Assembly passed Tim's Law to let District Court judges order outpatient treatment for certain

people with severe mental illness after receiving a petifrom the person's family, friends or legal guardians, or law enforcement or medical profession-

Another session covered "Alive at 25," a defensive-driving program the Kentucky State Police and National Safety Council provide in Kentucky for citizens who are 16-24 years old. Judges heard about how they can help bring the program to their communities and use it in sentencing young drivers.

The judges also had the opportunity to meet with Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton Jr. and AOC Director Laurie K. Dudgeon.

Heritage Society meets Thursday

The Fredonia Valley Heritage Society will meet at 7 p.m., Thursday (today) at Fredonia American Legion Post 103 at the Buddy Rogers Park on Dorroh Street in Fredonia.

Following a Black Patch theme, Rodney Paris will present the program entitled, "Tobacco Growers Insurrection in Kentucky, 1904-1907." Also on the agenda will be a business meeting and refreshments.

The Fredonia Valley Heritage Society is for anyone interested in learning more about the heritage and history of the Fredonia Valley and for those who want to see the history of our community preserved for future generations.

The society is in the process of compiling their third publication. This book will feature veterans from the Fredonia Valley. It should be available for purchase within a few months. This book will be one you will definitely want for your library.

The fourth reprint of the society's first publication, 'The History of the Fredonia Valley", is still available for sale. The beautifully bound hardback book is 552 pages and has 1,750 photographs, over 200 family histories, approximately 10,000 names, and includes historical accounts of the Fredonia Valley from the 1780's until the present. It covers an area within a six mile radius around Fredonia, including parts of Caldwell, Crittenden, and Lyon Counties. The cost is \$50.

The society's second publication entitled "In Pursuit of Art - The Talent of John F. Rice" is also still available for sale. It is a unique hardback book full of over 335 wonderful pieces of John Rice's art in full color with historical descriptions. His artwork reflects his love for the Fredonia Valley and its people and also includes art from his time in France and other locations. The cost is If you are interested in

purchasing a copy of either book, you may contact Pam Faughn pamfaughn@att.net. To have the book mailed, send the price of the book plus \$6 for mailing cost together with your name, address, and phone number to Fredonia

Valley Heritage Society, P.O.

Box 256, Fredonia, KY Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every odd numbered month where you can learn more about the history of the Fredonia Valley through informative proand grams speakers. Membership fees annually are as follows: \$15 individ-

ual; \$25 family; \$30 busi-

nesses; and \$250 lifetime.

Senior Menu

Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those 60 and older or \$5 for those under 60. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include:

- Thursday (today): Menu is sloppy joe on bun, hashbrown casserole, baked pork 'n beans, baked apples and raisins.

- Friday: Menu is hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes with giblet gravy, buttered spinach and tropical fruit. Bingo sponsored by Lifeline Home Health begins at

 Monday: Menu is baked potato soup, chicken drumstick, seasoned peas, cornbread and pear crisp. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio begins at - Tuesday: Menu is southwest

pork roast, baked sweet potato, pes and pearl onions, cornbread, apple crisp and margarine. Sept. 13: Menu is ham-

burger on bun with lettuce, tomato and onion, baked pork 'n beans, baked potato with sour cream and Mandarin oranges. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m. Senior games will be held

Sept. 18-20.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability. PACS provides milk, coffee, tea or water each day.

Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center. The center is a service of Pennyrile Allied Community Services.

Cram the Cruiser benefits Helping Hands in Livingston

Citizens urged to aid **Helping Hands efforts**

The Livingston County Sheriff's Office Cram the Cruiser Event is underway and continues through Sept. 30. Non-perishable food items collected will be dispersed in Livingston County by Helping Hands in Smith-

The cruiser will be parked at the following locations:

•Through Sept. 9 at Salem Food Market in Salem.

·Smithland Dollar Store

Sept. 10-16.

•Poppy's Meat Shop in Ledbetter, Sept. 17-23.

·Lake City Dollar Store Sept.24-30.

Organizers hope to make this a friendly competition between communities. The event exceeded expectations last year, according to Sheriff Bobby Davidson, who urges citizens to give what they can and remember that every little bit helps.





VOTING PRECINCT CHANGE **TUESDAY, SEPT. 12**

For the Sept. 12 special election to approve or reject a school tax increase, voters in Crittenden County Precinct C102 Fords Ferry No. 5 will vote at Crittenden County Public Library on West Carlisle Street in Marion. Polling had previously taken place at Crittenden County Gun Club on Ky. 91 North.



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Above, Rocket junior receiver Ethan Dossett (10) tries to reel in a pass over Trigg's double-team coverage during last week's loss. Dossett had 10 receptions for 148 yards. At right, Crittenden County defensive back Hunter Jones tries to strip the football away from Trigg County's KiRome Bingham (23) after a reception in the third quarter.



Rockets misfire against Trigg; prepping for Tigers

Crittenden County's football team will have perhaps its toughest challenge of the season on Friday night when the Rockets host Caldwell County in the annual border rivalry.

The Tigers (2-1) narrowly beat Hopkinsville last week and knocked off Graves County in Week 2. The Tigers lost to Christian County to open the season.

The Rockets go into the matchup against Caldwell County still reeling from a disheartening loss to Trigg County last Friday. Through the preseason and in its opening blowout over a Tennessee foe, the Rocket offense appeared in sync and unstoppable. However, last week in its home-opener, Crittenden County (1-1) discontinued its much-heralded advance by misfiring on on multiple occasions and allowing 3A Trigg County (2-1) to slip out of Rocket Stadium with a 29-20 win.

Four turnovers and missed chances in the red zone cost Crittenden mightily.

Rocket coach Al Starnes said mistakes made the difference in the outcome of the game. He says most are mental mistakes that can be corrected as the team moves forward.

The Rockets led 14-0 out of the chute, needing just 13 plays to score twice. And their defense stopped Trigg cold. The Wildcat offense was thrown for loss after loss in the early going as Crittenden held Trigg to minus-21 yards on its first six plays. Then Wildcat quarterback Cameron Jordan rolled up his sleeves and went to work. He was the difference in the game, running for 162 yards - including three touchdown carries - and passing for 108 yards.

Jordan's 82-yard touchdown run with less than a minute to play sealed an outcome that was very much up for grabs in the fourth quarter. Neither team scored in the second half until he skipped through the middle on a third-and-13 run from his own 12, and went the distance.

The Rockets had a variety of op-

portunities to take the lead in the last half. Crittenden's defense gave its offense great field position to start the third period after a punt snap went over the Wildcat kicker's head. Despite getting the ball at Trigg's 22-yard line, CCHS's offense stalled at the 13 and the Rockets missed a field goal attempt. Crittenden was tripped up again early in the fourth quarter by a fumble at the Trigg 20. Then, with just over two minutes to go in the contest, the Rockets were driving. Running back Gavin Dickerson carried three straight times for 35 yards down to the Trigg eightyard line before Rocket QB Hunter Boone was intercepted in the end

Junior receiver Ethan Dossett had a tremendous game, catching 10 passes for 148 yards. Boone finished with 17 completions on 34 attempts. Two of his three interceptions came in the first half, one of those was in Trigg territory.

Defensively, senior Adam Beavers had 18 tackles, a sack and another tackle for loss. Dickerson

"We have to learn from what we did not do right. It's us," Coach Starnes said. "This game was all about us, not them. We were not focused and just shot ourselves in the foot. I didn't have us ready to

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Trigg County 15 0 Crittenden Co.

SCORING PLAYS

C-Gavin Dickerson 5 run (Cody Belt kick)

C-Devon Nesbitt 1 run (Belt kick) 4:50, 1st T-Cameron Jordan 30 run (Kyron Grubbs pass from Jordan) 1:43, 1st

T-Jordan 16 run (Gabriel Hardy pass from Jordan) 8:44, 2nd T-Tyson Bush 1 run (JaKobe Bridges kick)

C-Ethan Dossett 17 pass from Hunter Boone T-Jordan 82 run (kick failed) :57, 4th

TEAM TOTALS

First Downs: Crittenden 14, Trigg 11 Penalties: Crittenden 2-30, Trigg 7-60

Rushing: Crittenden 35-147, Trigg 43-180 Passing: Crittenden 17-34-3, 187 yds., Trigg 12-21-0 108 yds.

Total Yards: Crittenden 334, Trigg 288 Fumbles/Lost: Crittenden 1-1, Trigg 1-0

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Crittenden-Nesbitt 17-68, Dickerson 12-81, Boone 3-(-2). Trigg-Tashaun Barker 7-(-5), Grubbs 1-5, Bush 12-18, Jordan 23-162.

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dan 12-21-0, 108 yds. Receiving

Crittenden-Dossett 10-148, Belt 2-4, Dickerson 1-3, Branen Lamey 3-25, Nesbitt 1-7. Trigg: Grubbs 2-10, Bridges 2-7, Barker 2-32, Hardy 3-62, KiRome Bingham 1-(-3).

Defense Adam Beavers 10 solos, 8 assists, sack, 3 TFLs, batted pass; Cody Belt solo; Brady Birk 5 solos, sack, caused fumble; Kyle Castiller 4 solos; Joe Estes 4 solos, 3 assists; Jacob Russelberg 2 solos, assist; Gavin Dickerson 10 solos, 4 assists, TFL; Mitchell Joyce 3 solos, 4 assists, 2 TFLs; Branen Lamey 6 solos, 2 assists, 2 TFLs; Sean O'Leary 3

solos, 2 assists, 2 TFLs; Hunter Jones 4 solos,

3 assists, TFL; Caden McCalister solo. Records: Crittenden 1-1, Trigg 2-1

Crittenden Fall Spo

Soccer beats Ballard

Crittenden County lost its first Fifth District matchup of the season last week to Trigg County. It was a wild affair with five penalty kicks as the Lady Wildcats prevailed 10-2. Crittenden's only goals were on penalty kicks. Ashley Wheeler booted both of them in. Goalie Bailey Barnes had 14 saves. Crittenden had to play all but two minutes of the game shorthanded as one of its players was red-carded early in the first period.

The Rocket girls made it two wins in a row with a 7-2 lashing of Ballard Memorial on the road last Thursday. Kacie Easley and Wheeler netted a couple of goals apiece and Leah Fritts, Bree Shanz and Jaelyn Duncan knocked in one each. Easley and Wheeler also had two assists apiece and Duncan and Shelby Summers had one each. Barnes had five saves at keeper. The team was 2-3 overall after the vic-

Volleyball girls win

The Lady Rockets volleyball team beat Union County last Thursday in straight sets 25-6, 25-20, 25-18. The road victory boosts the Crittenden County record to 2-5 on the season.

Here are individual statistics from the

Hicks 5 aces, 14 attacks, 5 kills, 11 digs; Kenlee Perryman 5 aces, 19 attacks, 7 kills, 2 blocks, 15 digs; Paige Gilbert 3 aces, 11 attacks, 2 kills, 1 block, 1 assist, 11 digs; Brandy Book 6 attacks, 1 kill, 1 dig; Kyron Hicks 7 aces, 3 attacks, 20 assists, 5 digs; Jada Hayes 10 aces, 3 digs; Ellie McGowan 1 attack; Hannah Bell 1 ace; Harley Wesley 2 kills; Raven Valadez: 1 assist, 1 dig.

volleyball match: Madison Champion 14

attacks, 5 kills, 1 block, 21 digs; Kaitlyn

Union beats CCMS

Crittenden County Middle School's football teams lost at Union County last Thursday. The young Rockets lost the eighthgrade game 6-0 after the Indians broke a scoreless tie late in the third quarter on a 46-yard touchdown run. Rocket running back Preston Morgeson injured his hip just before halftime and never returned to the game after rushing for 39 yards in the first half. Also, starting running back Keifer Marshall was sidelined the entire contest because of a deep thigh bruise. CCMS Coach Bryan Qualls said the injuries may have played a key factor in the outcome of this closely contested ballgame.

Union County won the developmental game 40-6 and Crittenden lost another player, Sammy Impastato, to injury. Originally be-

lieved to have broken his arm, Impastato was taken from the field by ambulance. It was later determined that he'd dislocated two bones in his arm, which was good

news for the team. Feature Game Statistics: Rushing: Preston Morgeson 7-39, Tanner Beverly 1-(-3), Maddox Carlson 1-(-2), Trace Derrington 2-(-1), Luke Crider 3-(-15). Passing: Crider 7-8-1, 42 yards. Receiving: Bryson Baker 3-17, Beverly 1-0, Dalton Wood 3-25. Tackles: Dylan Yates 6, 2 TFLs; Ben Evans 6, Derrington 5, interception; Wood 5, Coleman Stone 6, TFL; Kaleb Nesbitt 6, Morgeson 4, Carlson 1, Sammy Impastato 1, Seth Guess 2, Baker 2 interceptions.

Developmental Game Statistics: Rushing: Nesbitt 3-(-7), Impastato 2-33, Guess 5-16. Passing: Guess 3-14-0, 56 yards. Receiving: Logan Bailey 3-56. Tackles: Guess 5, Rowen Perkins 5, Briley Berry 2, Case Gobin 2, Bailey 3, Zach Counts 2, Seth Blackburn 2, Wesley Fritts 1.

Lucas 11th at 5K meet

Crittenden's cross country teams participated in the Fenton Dawson Invitational 5K race Saturday at Cadiz along with more than 300 other runners.

Senior Aaron Lucas set the pace for Crittenden County with a time of 16:43.08, good for an 11th-place finish behind the win-

ning time of 15:32.30. Jayden Carlson was next for the Rockets with a time of 19:12.59 and an 86th-place showing. Tyson Steele finished 103rd in 19:38.40, Gavin Davidson was 130th at 20:34.63, Hunter Holeman 140th at 20:57.21, Pate Robinson was 155th at 21:13.83, Noah Perkins 158th at 21:36.72 and Maddox Carlson as 192nd at 24:57.57. The Rockets finished 12th in the team totals with an average time of 19:25.19. Owensboro Apollo had the winning average at 16:32.09.

Freshman Kate Keller was 27th in 21:38.29 to lead the Lady Rocket squad. Kali Champion was 77th at 25:13.34, Jessie Potter was 92nd at 26:38.19, Trinity Hayes was 100th at 28:30.66, Taylor Stoner was 111th at 30:51.91. Crittenden was 10th overall in the team standings with an average time of 26:35.47. McCracken County won the event at 19:48.03.

Greenwell 11th in golf

Crittenden freshman Sammy Greenwell fired a 79 Saturday at the Marshall County Invitational Golf Tournament to lead the Rocket golfers. He finished 11th. Peyton Purvis shot an 87, Tate Roberts an 88 and Landon Crider 104. Lauren Gilchrist shot an 84 and finished 14th.



PHOTO BY GREG PERRYMAN

Crittenden County's Madison Champion fights for a shot from her knees during the Lady Rockets' volleyball loss at Union County last week.

Young Rockets Night is Friday

Crittenden County hosts Caldwell County in Friday night's football game at Rocket Stadium. This will be the annual Young Rockets Night when players and cheerleaders of all ages are recognized. Players and cheerleaders from flag football, junior pro football and middle school will get in free if they wear their

Old timers' baseball

There will be an old timers' wooden bat baseball game in Marion on Sunday, Sept. 17 to benefit youth baseball in Crittenden County. Cost is \$20 per player. No one under 30 can pitch. For more information call (270) 704-0435.

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UK performance dircetor demands results

Kentucky football players know that Corey Edmond, director of performance, is going to test their

going to test their physical limits to enhance their performance on the field.

field What they may not know is that he's just as demanding with his daughter, UK sophomore volleyball standout Leah Edmond. She was Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Year last season and a third-team All-American — only the 11th UK player ever to earn All-

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ever to earn All-American honors — following a standout career at Dunbar High School in Lexington.

"He was the first person to train me and when we are off or have a break, he is still the first person to train me," Leah Edmond said. "I can't go home and not train. In our basement we have a bike and weights downstairs. There is never a day off with him."

Has he ever made her cry during training?

"Yes he has. He will just make me do something I don't want to do. I have no choice because he's my father." she said.

Her mother, Laurie, wisely does not take sides when her husband and daughter have training disputes.

"She is not part of that. When it comes to that stuff, she just lets us go at it and we do sometimes really go at it. He does want me to be my best, so I guess I can take it," Leah said.

She knows she would likely not be the player she is without his training for years.

So when did she realize her father knew what he was doing?

"I haven't made it to that point yet," she quickly said. "It is my dad. I don't want him to train me. I know he knows what he is doing but he thinks he can yell at me because he is my dad. So that's how it is. But it has worked very well. I will give him that."

The two are not alike when it comes to showing emotion, either. Leah describes her father as "very stoic" while she is cheering all the time whether she is playing or watching another

sport.

"If they score a touchdown, you might get a fist pump from him on the sideline," she said "But cheering is my thing. I love to show emotion. Not Dad. I could get a kill and it could be the best I've ever had and he would just stay straight. That is just his personality. Ask him about that. Just how he is. Maybe it's because it is me. I don't know," the UK sophomore said.

Leah, who helped UK get off to a 5-1 start, does know that when UK plays football at Kroger Field, it's easy to spot her. She admits she's "emotional" and almost always making noise

ways making noise.

"If you ever see me at a game, I am screaming. Since I know all of them (football players), I am screaming their names. I know if they are not doing what they are supposed to and I will scream at them for not blocking or not tackling. I know everything. I rarely sit at football games. I can't do it." she said.

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She's hoping Kentucky volleyball fans will be just as excitable at matches in Memorial Coliseum this season. She doesn't disagree with those saying the team is "loaded" with talented veterans and the highest rated recruiting class in UK volley-



ball histor

"There is so much depth. Every position has multiple

people. It's incredible. I have never played on a team that every single person can start and do their job,' she said. "Fans will see we are the real deal and can be really good. I love the freshmen. They are so eager to learn and play their hardest. They challenge us all to be our best and they are really, really good."

Charles Bassey

With R.J. Barrett reclassifying to the 2018 recruiting class, it would not be a huge step to see forward Charles Bassey become the consensus No. 1 player in the 2019 class.

He's already a consensus top five pick in the 2019 class — and this season he will be playing in Kentucky.

He's left St. Anthony Catholic High School in Texas along with three teammates to play at Aspire Academy, a new school in Louisville coached by Jeremy Kipness. Last year Aspire was located in Arizona but it is now in Louisville and affiliated with DeSales High School.

The 6-10, 220-pound
Bassey is from Nigeria originally. He's played for Adidas
YES II Success along with several of his new Aspire teammates.

Bassey already has scholarship offers from Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas A&M, Baylor, Tennessee, Washington, UCLA, T, Creighton, Western Kentucky and others. ESPN has him ranked No. 2 in the 2019 recruiting class. Rivals.com has him No. 1.

Kipness knows how good Bassey is now, and can be in the future.

"Right now he has such a solid foundation and skill set to go along with a Godgiven athleticism and physique," Kipness, a former assistant coach at Louisville, said. "He embraces the grind. He is very coachable. There are a lot of talented players but they do not have the intangibles — but he does. He has God-given talent and a high ceiling for the future."

Bassey made an unofficial visit to Kentucky last season but still has no scholarship offer. He'll play in three Grind Session events in Kentucky — two in Marshall County and one in Paducah — this season along with other selected games.

UK defensive line

Kentucky's defensive line was a major concern going into the season. But so was punting.

After one game, punting worries seem to have been alleviated with the arrival of Columbia graduate transfer Matt Panton.

He had to kick nine times against Southern Miss and averaged 42 yards per try. But two of his kicks were downed at the 1-yard line. He had three other kicks inside the 20 and just one went into the end zone.

"I thought he really did a nice job, in particular with killing it inside the 20," Stoops said. "We knew he was very accurate there but he just was consistent and gave us some good roll.

"You could see some of the things he did. He could roll out, he could hit it high and he could go opposite field, which was nice for us."

Dean Hood EKU reunion

Kentucky hosts Eastern Kentucky University Saturday at 11 a.m. and it has to be special for UK special teams/linebacker coach Dean Hood, the former head coach at Eastern.

Mark Stoops is glad he was able to add him to his staff this season.

"Dean is a great addition. A seasoned veteran, a guy that's been around. He's got a good demeanor about him. He's a fun guy to work with, and he's helping in a lot of ways I think with the input on defense and also with special teams and his ideas on special teams," Stoops said. "He's a guy that I have a lot of confidence in and a lot of trust in. He's been wonderful to work with."

"Bunchy" Stallings

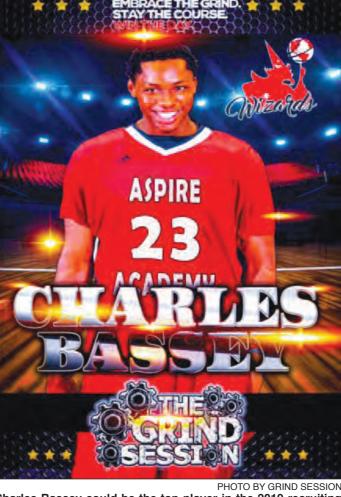
As good as Bunchy Stallings was for the Kentucky offensive line last season, I never got a chance to ask him a question I've wanted to for a long time.

How did he get the nickname Bunchy?

Granted, he's 310 pounds now and a big, big guy. But how did he get that nickname and why did it stick?

"I had a babysitter who started calling me that when I was little. She just said, 'I am going to call this kid Bunch.' My family just liked it and it stuck," the UK junior said. "I actually liked it better than telling everybody my real first name (Jervontius). It's a nice name but Bunchy is so much simpler and I tell people that."

He might also be the biggest, or one of the biggest, players you might see on a golf course. He be-



Charles Bassey could be the top player in the 2019 recruiting

class and he now plays for Aspire Academy in Louisville.

came friends with former UK golfer Stephen Stallings in a bit of an unusual way.

"I met him when I was hanging out with the gymnastics girls. I used to go over and hang out. They invited me and that's how I met him when he was with one of them," Bunchy Stallings said. "It's about making connections."

He says he's the best golfer in his family, but admits that is not a huge claim to fame.

"I can hit it pretty far but it may curve to the right a long way, too," he laughed and said.

He had an emotional time when UK beat Southern Mississippi last week. He had about 50 family members and friends at the game since it was close to his home. It was also only about a month since the passing of his mother. If that wasn't enough, he injured his knee early in the game while making his first start at center after starting at guard last season.

"It looked like he was banged up, but he came back in when we really needed him," Kentucky coach Mark Stoops said. "We're not at our typical full strength right now on the offensive line, so we've got to get going with some guys. But Bunchy coming back in was big for him and us."

Undying UK supportSisters Kambri Bivins, 12,

and Aubry Bivins, 10, of Gallatin, Tenn, wanted to do something to share their father's love for UK basketball with others and find a way to get him honored at a UK basketball game this season after he passed away earlier this summer after suffering PTSD during his service in the Army.

They decided to make a video in hopes someone at UK would see it. Kami Bivins, their mother, sent emails to numerous UK officials and is hopefully waiting on a reply. She did hear from former Miss Kentucky Maria Montgomery, the oncourt game co-host at Rupp Arena for UK games, who said she would share the girls' message.

"The video was something

they wanted to work on. They want their dad to be honored and remembered for the man he was and not the man who died from PTSD," Kami, a Colorado native who met her husband when he was stationed in Colorado, said, "Eric loved Kentucky basketball. He was not into football or professional sports. He was all about Kentucky Wildcat basketball. He had (newspaper) clippings of Patrick Sparks (a former high school classmate) all over his UK room and he had UK hats all

around the room. I think he had been wearing UK basketball shirts since he was 3 or 4 years old."

He had over 200 UK basketball hats. Most were given out to those who attended his funeral service.

Kami regrets that they did not go to a Kentucky home basketball game. They planned to last year, but could not. They had been to Nashville to watch UK play against Vanderbilt.

"He never got to experience being in Rupp Arena. It would have been like heaven to him. We wanted to last year but with all that happened, we couldn't," she said.

The girls ended their Facebook video with this: "Good luck this season. Go Big Blue."

I hope someone at UK makes it possible for these two special girls to have a chance to honor their father in some small way at Kentucky and let other UK fans do the same.

Quote of the Week

"He thought he was paralyzed. He lost feeling in his right leg. It was really a scary moment. Maybe he compensated for being hurt during the offseason and made it worse. But I know what he can do when he is feeling good. He will not just wilt away," Terry Barker on how his son, UK quarterback Drew Barker, felt when he first got hurt last season.

Quote of the Week 2

"This thing was laying dead in the water for 50 years. I think the Lord works in mysterious ways. If this had been done 30 years ago, I am not sure it would have been this impactful. I am not sure it would be what it is," former UK quarterback Paul Karem on the documentary "Black In Blue" about how UK football integrated the SEC 50 years ago.

Quote of the Week 3 "Rather than have a

falling out with my dad, I told him if he wanted me to go to Kentucky that bad, I would do it for a year and see what happens. I get on campus and the first play we put in was the option. It was probably the worst year of my life," former UK quarterback Tim Couch on playing his first year in college for coach Bill Curry.

(Larry Vaught, a former sports writer at The Advocate-Messenger in Danville, Ky., now covers UK sports on VaughtsViews.com blog and his weekly column appears in many newspapers across Kentucky.)

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Changes coming for plates, licenses in Ky.

New license plates and driver's licenses could be coming to Kentucky soon.

John-Mark Hack, commissioner of the Department of Vehicle Regulation, made a presentation to the General Assembly's Interim Joint Transportation Committee on Tuesday in Frankfort.

He told lawmakers the current system of license plate issuance is woefully inefficient and, since the design hasn't changed since 2005, some vehicles have 12-year-old plates where the reflective materials have worn off and many are unreadable.

"They compromise public safety, bridge-tolling and Kentucky's public image," Hack

The license plates are made by prison inmates at the Kentucky State Reformatory in La Grange. "The production system we use is literally a relic of mittee. "We could not sell the system to Somalia, if we wanted to. It's like making them with an abacus.

He also testified that with 136 different license plate designs currently offered, includ-39 for special organizations, it's a drain on the Road Fund. "We are using Road Fund money to subsidize fund-raising efforts of non-profits. That seems, to me, to be an inappropriate use of the road fund, as I'm sure it may seem to most of you."

Hack proposes using a print-on-demand system for production and distribution.

"It can make county clerks' lives easier by integrating new technology that can essentially eliminate physical inventory, greatly reduce their storage requirements and automate the plate-ordering process.

Working with a vendor, he said prison inmates would

systems, a marketable skill when they complete their sentence. Using the state-of-theart system would save the Road Fund more than \$320,000 per year by making the process more efficient and have savings in county clerks offices as well.

Clerks would only stock the two standard license plates. The others would be mailed to consumers, within five days. The new system could also allow more characters on license plates, according to

Changes could be in place as early as 2019.

Real ID Act

Hack also gave an update on the implementation of the federal Real ID Act in Ken-

Real ID will be required to enter military bases and to board a domestic airliner in January 2018, but legislation



PHOTO BY TOM LATEK, KENTUCKY TODAY The new Kentucky license plate will have more characters.

passed by the General Assembly doesn't take effect until

January 2019 at the earliest. "We have an extension until Oct. 10, 2017 and will submit a request for additional time this week. We are

now in the same boat as 28 other states who are operating under the same extension."

The so-called "Voluntary Travel ID" will cost \$48 and will be good for eight years, unlike current drivers' licenses

four years. A standard driver's license, for those who don't want to provide additional documentation, will run \$43, but it cannot be used to board flights and enter military

Applications for the ID can be made at the circuit clerk's offices and licenses will be processed at a secure facility within the Transportation Cabinet. Hack anticipates they will be processed and mailed within 5-10 days.

"We realize we will have to conduct a comprehensive public information campaign to make sure Kentucky drivers are aware of things like document requirements when they apply for a new or renewed license, under the new law.'

He adds the Voluntary Travel IDs will likely look different than current licenses due to security enhancements available in new production technology.

NICKEL

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friendly one for school officials, unlike some of the forums and public meetings prior to board of education setting Tuesday as the date for a special election for a tax increase to fund new school construction and renovations to existing facili-

"I hear a lot around town," said Roger Hosick, one of a half-dozen members of the community at Friday's rally who questioned the plans for the "equivalent nickel" school tax, particularly a new football field and central office. "That's the biggest gripe I hear in this community.

Hosick and Mary Orr, who ultimately plan to vote next week for the tax, said the focus needs to be on the students, not athletics or administra-

"We agree. We are focusing on the kids," Clark said, reassuring them that plans for the \$6.5 million in new bonding (borrowing) potential created by the tax include no changes to any athletics venues.

The equivalent nickel tax actually 5.9 cents per \$100 valuation on 2017 county property tax bills - will generate \$3.4 million in new local bonding potential that should be matched with \$3.1 million from the state when lawmakers meet early next year to craft a new two-year budget. Coupled with the district's current \$4.75 million in borrowing power, a new \$6.7 million high school could be built

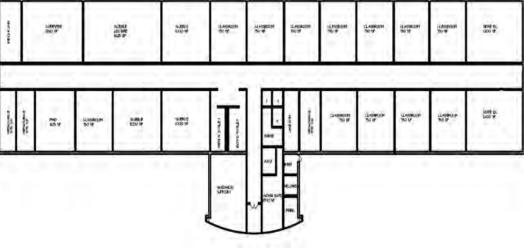


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The proposed new Crittenden County High School, if a tax increase is approved next week at the polls, would feature 20 classrooms and an office and be connected to Rocket Arena. Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark said the floorplan for the new school is no "Cadillac" version, but would meet the needs of the district for years to come.

majority of Crittenden County voters back the tax when they head to the polls Tuesday.

Also planned for the school tax is \$1.3 million in safety and accessibility upgrades to the current high school to accommodate middle-schoolers and renovations to the eighthgrade wing of Crittenden County Middle School for a new central office. The 1949 portion of CCMS would also be

Clark met with more supporters of the tax Tuesday evening and has another rally scheduled for noon Friday in the conference room of Rocket Arena. He is also meeting this week with a group of young first-time voters to answer their questions about the school tax.

Opposing sides of the tax

media and spent hundreds of dollars campaigning for and against the proposed levy.

Supporters of the tax for a new school have established a Facebook page, "Citizens for the Second Nickel," to share testimonials and information about the upcoming election. Advertisements in The Crittenden Press and The Early Bird paid for by a political issues committee under the same name have helped share details and clear up misinformation about the tax plan.

Savannah Oliver, one of several individuals to share her reasons on Facebook for supporting a new school, said the middle school that the board of education wants phased out was in poor shape when she was there a few years ago. A 2011 Crittenden County graduate, Oliver and her husband Casey have a toddler who they hope could one day benefit from an updated middle school and new high school.

"Three years ago, when my husband and I got married, we had the choice to either buy a house in a neighboring county or to buy one here in rural Crittenden County," said the local couple. "Now that we have an almost 2-year-old, I'm

glad we made that decision. I want our son to grow up and start his educational journey in a school system that supports education in every possible way, and that is why we support the second nickel

Opposition to the tax increase has established a Facebook presence as "Crittenden County Voters Against Increase in Property Taxes for School." The page is managed by Brenda Croft, one of the organizers of the recall petition to the send the school tax to the ballot. She is also involved with Citizens Against Tax Increase for New School, a politcommittee issues spending money to campaign against the tax

Both the committees for and against the school tax have advertisements in this issue of The Crittenden Press. As of press time, neither had filed with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance to track campaign donations and expenditures. Any political issues committee comprised of three or more people and collecting or spending more than \$1,000 is required to register with Frankfort. It is uncertain how much either group has

within two years, should the issue have taken to social

Work ethic rewarded

A bus driver, substitute teacher and maintenance crew pinch hitter, Ricky Winders was named the August Rocket Way Employee of the Month for Crittenden County Schools. "This is an individual that just pitches in," Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark said last week in naming the recipient. "When I think about (him), I think about work ethic." Besides his daily duties on the bus and substituting in the classroom during school months, Winders works every summer keeping the grounds on campus in good shape. "I like working here. I try to do everything right," he said in accepting the recognition. "I try to do everything like I would at home."

Livingston County hosting NWTF Jakes Day event

Livingston County will host a National Wild Turkey Federation Jakes Day event Saturday, Sept. 16 at the fairgrounds in Smithland.

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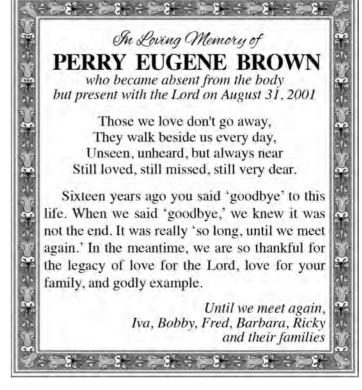
contest with trophies.

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