

Riverview Park sees camping figures go up

Riverview Park experienced one of its busiest months of the year in May, reflecting a strong start to the camping season following the reopening of the bridge connecting the former Dam 50 recreation area to KY 91 North. During the month, campers reserved 81 RV nights and one tent night at the county-operated campground.

The park, which features seven full-hookup RV sites along the Ohio River overlooking the former Lock and Dam 50, continues to serve as a popular destination for campers, anglers and travelers. RV sites rent for \$30 per night while primitive tent camping is available for \$5 per night.

Financially, the park generated \$2,580 in RV site revenue and \$5 in tent camping revenue during May, for total site revenue of \$2,585.

Monthly operating expenses totaled \$3,699.42, resulting in a net operating loss of \$638.42 for the month. The largest expense was \$2,392.33 for park maintenance, including work performed by the Crittenden County Road Department. Other expenses included utilities, dumpster service, reservation processing fees, septic service and administrative payroll reimbursement.

May's activity represented a dramatic increase from February, when the park recorded just four overnight stays during the winter offseason. County officials previously said they expected camping to rebound with the completion of the bridge replacement, and May's numbers suggest the park has returned to



a normal seasonal pattern.

Those using the boat launching ramp this summer should know that the seasonal dock has not been installed yet because of water levels on the Ohio River.

County animal shelter reports May activity

Crittenden County Animal Shelter took in 58 dogs during May while continuing to place animals through adoptions, rescue transfers and foster care, according to the shelter's monthly intake and discharge summary.

At the end of the month, the shelter housed 58 dogs, with an additional 14 dogs in foster homes. During May, 13 dogs were transferred to rescue organizations and 14 were adopted into new homes. Three dogs were reclaimed by their owners.

The report also shows one dog escaped and could not be relocated, three dogs died because of medical reasons and eight dogs were euthanized during the month.

The shelter collected \$1,552 in revenue during May. Pet adoptions accounted for \$1,120, while the shelter received \$347 in donations, \$75 in reclaim fees and \$10 from dog license fees.

The shelter is operated in Crittenden County in partnership with Lyon and Livingston counties.

Livingston gets grants for county equipment

Livingston County has received grant funding to help improve security and safety at county facilities.

Judge-Executive Michael Williams announced the county was awarded a Kentucky Association of Counties Insurance Grant, which was used to purchase security cameras for County offices and library, along with equipment for Livingston County EMS.

Williams said the equipment is already installed and operational.

"The KACo Insurance Grant will help us take proactive steps to prevent injuries, reduce costly damage and make our county safer for both employees and the public," Williams said. "By addressing risks before something goes wrong, we're helping our community and protecting taxpayer dollars."

KACo Executive Director Jim Henderson said the program is designed to help counties make improvements that reduce risks, insurance claims and long-term expenses.

"These grants support real-world improvements that make county operations safer and more efficient," Henderson said.

The KACo Insurance Grant Program helps counties and other government entities fund projects that reduce risks associated with injuries, cybersecurity threats, property damage and other potential losses.

The grants provide up to \$10,000 and cover as much as 80% of a project's cost, with counties providing at least a 20% local match.



Throwback Thursday From 1976

After spending a week hiking, swimming, boating and enjoying other outdoor activities at the National Camp for the Blind, local youths returned home with lasting memories. Pictured are Judy Keller, Sharon Keller, Robbie Oliphant and Shirley Bell following their week at the annual camp.

10 YEARS AGO

July 8, 2016

■ Crittenden County FFA members attended the Kentucky Leadership Training Center. Fifteen members participated: Alexis Tabor, Alyssa Snow, Emily Hall, Cali Parish, Morgan Barnes, Sharon Collins, Paige Gilbert, Lily Berry, Ellie McGowan, Bailey Barnes, Alyssa Curtis, Emmalea Barnes, Megan Chambliss, Jimmy Crider and John Duvall.

■ Rocket Football Camp was a success, and many boys came home as winners in various categories. The top winners of each section were Roane Topp, Dezyon Jones, Quinn Summers, Bennett McDaniel, Noah Perkins, Avery Thompson, Xavier Cozart, Caden Howard, Hunter Duncan, Rowen Perkins and Preston Morgeson.

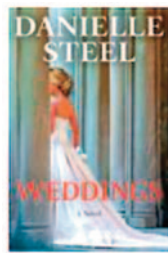
■ Students from Allison's Karate in Princeton competed in the East-West Pro-Am Karate Tournament. Aria Kirk of Marion finished second in sparring, third in forms and was a finalist in weapons. Katie Menser finished first in sparring and was a finalist in forms and weapons. Destany Cayce finished fourth in sparring and was a finalist in weapons and forms.

Crittenden County Public Library

This week's Wowbrary selections at the Crittenden County Public Library are led by The Calamity Club by Kathryn Stockett, her first novel since *The Help*, telling the story of resilient women in Depression-era Mississippi. Other notable fiction additions include *Weddings* by Danielle Steel, *When You Loved Me* by Beatriz Williams, *My Dear Hamilton*, a historical novel centered on Eliza Schuyler Hamilton, the suspense thriller *Whalefall*, *Off the Deep End* by Lucinda Berry, *End of Story* by A.J. Finn, and the magical family saga *The Book of Magic* by Alice Hoffman.

Fantasy and science fiction readers can check out *A Staten Island Love Letter*, while young adult readers will find *The Summer of Second Chances* and Alan Gratz's *World War II* novel *Allies*. New children's titles include *PAW Patrol 5-Minute Stories Collection*, *The Big Purple Book of Beginner Books*, and volumes 32 and 33 of the popular *My Hero Academia* manga series.

Nonfiction offerings this week include *The Book You Wish Your Parents Had Read* by Philippa Perry,



The 21-Day Sugar Detox, *The Healthy Heart Cookbook*, and *Grillmaster*, featuring recipes and techniques for outdoor cooking. Whether you're looking for bestselling fiction, children's favorites, historical novels, thrillers, cookbooks, or practical guides, this week's new arrivals offer something for nearly every reader.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

•Marion Code Enforcement Board will meet at 5 p.m., Monday, July 13 at city hall.

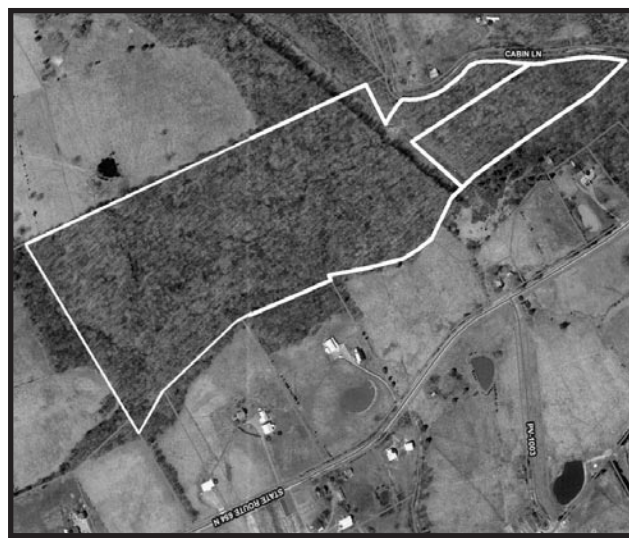
•Livingston County Board of Education will meet at 5 p.m., Monday, July 13 at the central office.

•Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce will meet at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, at the county office complex.

•Caldwell County Fiscal Court will meet at 9 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, at the courthouse.

•Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 14, for a working session at Rocket Arena.

•Crittenden-Livingston Farm Service Agency County Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 15, at Salem Service Center. Call the office in advance to verify the meeting remains on the schedule.



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ORDINANCE NO. 26-0-007 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025-2026 BUDGET OF THE CRITTENDEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Notice is hereby given that the Fiscal Court of Crittenden County Kentucky, at a special called meeting held on June 30, 2026, at 4:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Ordinances of the Crittenden County Fiscal Court, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the Fiscal Court held on June 18, 2026, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

This Ordinance amends the budget to increase revenue in the amount of \$137,457.02.

The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the County Clerk in the County Administrative Office Building, Industrial Drive, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection.

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50 YEARS AGO

July 8, 1976

■ The following people and families attended the Owen School reunion: Hershel Tabor, John Holloman, Lonnie Tabor, Gilbert Brown, Bob Peek, Clyde Stubblefield, Lureana Travis, Nina O'Leary, Imogene Tabor, Sue Doods, Betty Fitzgerald, Adge Kirk, Joan Travis, Mary Jane James, Bobbie Brasher, Joyce Travis, Donald Kirk, Perce Polk, Tommy Polk, Mary Pace, Mary Alice Holloman and Richard Peek.

■ Brownie Troop 264 traveled to the Land Between the Lakes for a day of fun, outdoor cooking, hiking and nature study. The scouts who participated were Tracy Cox, Serena Jent, Laura Loyd, Marianne Watson, Gena Hughes, Britt Hodge, Vicky Johnson, Tiffany Wheeler, Joelle Belt, Felecia Sills, Shannon Kipping and Sarah Ann Frazer.

■ Four children from Crittenden County returned from a week at the Indian Creek National Camp for Blind Children. Judy and Sharon Keller, Robbie Oliphant and Shirley Bell attended the camp.

HELP WANTED

Crittenden County Fiscal Court is hiring to immediately fill openings at the county road department. Interested applicants may pick up applications at the County Office Building from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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