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Worst disaster ever!
Gov. Steve Beshear has called last week's storm and its aftermath the worst disaster in state history. He said unprecedented measures are being taken and President Barack Obama has declared Kentucky a federal disaster area, releasing aid and federal assistance. What that will mean for Crittenden Countians has not been determined. Local officials say that rumors of FEMA reimbursements for generators or other emergency supplies are false. Also, at this point there is no federal assistance available for cleanup from the storm. Read more about these matters in this issue.

Press Online hobbled
The Crittenden Press Online at www.the-press.com has been hobbled by the power outage and lack of Internet service in Marion. Without Internet service, files cannot be uploaded to the main Web server. Some files were loaded last week from a remote location, but server outages in Paducah kept the entire site from being updated. The Press will keep its blog updated and make every attempt to load files onto the main Web pages. Matthew T. Patton, a Dycusburg native now living in Pennsylvania, is keeping the Breaking News Blog updated regularly as information is provided to him by phone. His service has been invaluable during this crisis.

Fohs Hall Ball off
The eighth annual Fohs Hall Ball scheduled for Saturday night has been cancelled and at this time no new date has been established. The event is the historic community building's major fund-raising event for the year. Additionally, the Fohs Hall, Inc., annual meeting scheduled for Monday was postponed until further notice.

Businesses coping with financial loss
Manufacturers, merchants and professional businesses in Crittenden County were trying to figure out ways to cope with lost revenue due to the extended power outage. Almost every non-essential business in town was closed for at least a week, some longer. An informal survey of about a dozen local business owners, found that insurance policies would not cover work stoppage due to natural disaster such as an ice storm. However, most said they were going to pay their employees for at least part of the lost work week whether the business was open or not.

No Livestock Sale
There was no livestock sale Monday at Kentuckiana Livestock Market on Sturgis Road in Marion. The livestock center will not be accepting any cattle until further notice or until power is restored. About 1,300 head of cattle were evacuated since last week.

Ladies Night is out
The FRYSC Ladies Night Out for Feb. 9 has been cancelled, but will be rescheduled when power returns to the area.

SLOW RECOVERY FOR ELECTRICITY

Residents should turn off power main switch

STAFF REPORT
Emergency officials inside the City of Marion are bracing to be without electricity for the remainder of the week and possibly much longer; however, several county homes are starting to see lights.

Local leaders had planned to meet with Kentucky Utilities officials Tuesday, but the power company's administrators cancelled the meeting because they were unable to fly into Marion due to high winds and the threat of snow. The meeting was rescheduled for 10 a.m., Wednesday. Marion's emergency management staff continued Tuesday preparing a strategy to deal with a citywide outage for several more days, according to David Travis, deputy director of Emergency Management Services. Some county residents were getting electricity early this week, including some in the Frances, Piney, Shady Grove, Rosebud and Tolu areas. Service was very spotty, however. Some homes along Ky. 91 North were also powered. All of those being energized are Kenergy customers. Local leaders say they have been unable to open any type of direct dialogue with Kentucky Utilities of-

COLD CONTINUES

Wednesday: High 25, Low 11 Partly Cloudy
Thursday: High 39, Low 31 Sunny Clear
Friday: High 50, Low 43 Partly Sunny



CBS Evening News reporter Hari Sreenivasan broadcast a live standup at the corner of Main and Bellville streets at 5:30 p.m., Monday to close out the network's nearly minute long news story about the storm's impact on Marion. Sreenivasan interviewed Gwen and Bill Wilson of Mott City as part of the segment.

Underdown: Worst disaster in county history

STAFF REPORT
Historically speaking, Brenda Underdown says last week's ice storm ranks as perhaps the greatest disaster in Crittenden County's 167 years. "There was a great ice storm in 1902, but this one is a lot worse," said Underdown, the county's official historian and regular columnist for The Crittenden Press. "A cyclone hit the northern part of the county in March 1890 that was very destructive and some people died," Underdown said.



UNDERDOWN

Of course, the 1937 flood was terrible for the people near the rivers and streams, Underdown added. She said that during the flood there was only one way out of the county and that was through Fredonia. "This is probably the worst disaster because it has affected so many people, it's so widespread. Even in 1902 they had the telegraph lines back up in a couple of days." Based on the broad destruction and projected length of recovery time for electric companies, Underdown said the Ice Storm of 2009 will long be remembered. "This is definitely one for the history books. We thought the ice storm last year was bad, but this is much worse." Underdown is also the county's official weather recorder. She said that during the first few days of the ice storm and its aftermath, temperatures got no lower than 18 degrees. That low temperature was recorded at 5 a.m., on Saturday. Lows Tuesday and Wednesday of this week were predicted to be near single digits with wind chills near zero. "The rest of the daily lows were in the 20 to 24 range," she said. According to her observations in Marion, there were three inches of ice covered by four inches of snow when the precipitation quit falling last Wednesday. "There is so much damage to trees and power lines," Underdown said. "It's really bad for the animals and for us."

Conserve Water Order in Effect Turn off at meters during freeze

STAFF REPORT
Local water district officials are urging residents to turn off water lines at their meters during the next couple of nights as temperatures dip to near single digits. Crittenden-Livingston Water District Superintendent Donnie Beavers said a conserve-water order remains in effect; therefore, running faucets all night to prevent freezing is prohibited. Doing so will create a more serious water shortage. Water plants cannot keep up with demand if faucets are allowed to run, Beavers said. To avoid freezing, Beavers and City of Marion Public Works Director Brian Thomas are encouraging residents to turn off the water to their

homes. That can be done at the in-ground meter box using simple tools. A crescent wrench or channel locks can be used to turn off the valve. Water can be turned back on in the same manner when temperatures rise during the daytime. This practice needs to be employed as long as temperatures dip below freezing. "Homes are already cold and some are near freezing temperatures inside right now," said Judge-Executive Fred Brown. "Pipes will start to freeze over the next night or two if precautions are not taken." Once residential lines are turned off at the meter box, officials suggest opening all faucets in the home until lines are dry. Leave them open. Also, officials say to empty tanks on the

backs of commodes then leave them dry. Prevent freezing in the toilet bowl by pouring in a few ounces of automobile, RV or camper type antifreeze. "I am very concerned for the welfare of our citizens with this cold forecast," said Public Health Director Jim Tolley. Officials suggest winterizing your home and, if you do not have adequate home heating, moving to a local warming shelter at Crittenden Elementary, Tolu Community Center or Sheridan Fire Department.



TOLLEY

Aftermath: Cleaning up from storm



Kenny Nesbitt (right) and Sean Shuecraft dump one of many loads of limbs Monday at the county's brush dump off Bridwell Loop just outside Marion city limits. Nesbitt and Shuecraft were working with Mike O'Dell, who has contracted brush removal around the county. O'Dell said he and his crew should have several months of work ahead carrying off limbs.

PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

Trash, debris collections

STAFF REPORT
Freedom Waste is running on a normal schedule this week, picking up commercial and residential garbage, but as of now there is no indication that federal assistance will be available for cleanup of storm debris such as limbs. Joe Buchanan, president of Freedom Waste, was driving a garbage truck on Sunday, helping pick up refuse from large trash producers in Marion. He said customers may put their residential trash at the curb for pickup, which started Monday. Any questions may be directed to Freedom Waste's Princeton office at 365-6200. Buchanan said debris such as limbs and brush should not be put into dumpsters or trash cans. The landfill will not accept it. Residents inside the city

See **DEBRIS**/Back Page

Dirty Laundry: Improve and overcome

At Crittenden Health and Rehab, employees melted snow to pour into the backs of toilets so they would flush when the city's water tanks went dry last Wednesday.

Bob Briley, administrator at the nursing home, couldn't help but smile as he described the fortitude and spirit displayed by his staff as it improvised and overcame obstacles that appeared unsurmountable to others. More than 70 elderly men and women live in the convalescent center, but Briley said the facility never missed a beat whether it was finding a way to warm each wing of the premises, cleaning linens or flushing the john.

That same resolve bloomed over and over again last week as Crittenden Countians knuckled down and found ways to survive an onslaught like none other Mother Nature had pitched at western Kentucky.

Steve Haire and a handful of hardy volunteers kept the stoves stoked at Pizza Roundup as they fed hundreds of meals to refugees confined to shelters and workers at the Emergency Operations Center.

Another hat's off to Verizon. The company's cellular signal was never lost and it provided 30 free phones to local leaders and key emergency personnel when other forms of communication were muted.

Community leaders, residents and history's observers agreed that last week's storm and aftermath was the most



Chris Evans
About Town
Crittenden Press editor/publisher

devastating natural disaster to ever besiege Crittenden County.

Through it all, we found a way to stay fed, warm and at least halfway clean. It is more than one week into this dark and frigid abyss but the struggle is not over. Although we're weary and a bit stubbly around the jowel, we will persevere.

At my abode – minus the family which sought refuge at the grandparents' place in Tennessee – it was hardly business as usual. Friend Joe Yarbrough summed it up last Thursday when he said "it takes five steps to take one." Anything that had to be done whether it was brushing your teeth, gathering firewood or finding fuel, each took extra effort and energy. Batteries, kerosene, propane, gasoline and diesel have been in limited supply, yet we have managed to come through the first few days of this chaos without a single serious injury or death – a remarkable feat in itself.

Images of grandma's wash board came to mind as I wrangled with a bucket of soapy water and my under garments over the weekend. Warm sunshine was a respite from the previous days of ice

and cold. A basketball goal was transformed into part of a laundry line and a springlike breeze replaced the General Electric dryer's normal job. Helped me to better understand wat it must have been like in the early 1900s.

Fortunately, we have some modern gizmos that help us get through tough spots like these.

A spray tank normally employed for dispensing herbicides and pesticides around the farm was robbed of its 12-volt pump to pull a warm shower out a makeshift water heater. After a few days of cold sponge baths, some hot, spraying H₂O was a blessing even if it was mixed with a trace of Roundup.

While most of us spent our first days of this storm simply trying to survive, others were out there putting in countless hours making sure we did indeed make it through this with some dignity. Our city and county leaders can't be praised enough for their efforts. Every single time I stopped by the Emergency Operations Center at city hall for an update Judge-Executive Fred Brown, Public Health Director Jim Tolley, emergency management staff Greg Rushing and David Travis, Mayor Mickey Alexander and many, many others were there working the tenuous communications lines, orchestrating relief resources of water, food and fuel, and trying to make sure that everyone was in step with the overall plan.

From checking on the welfare of people stranded in remote areas of the county to establishing a warming shelter at the elementary school, volunteers were on the spot. Firemen, rescue squad members, emergency dispatchers and local law enforcement personnel put in long and difficult days, and they are to be commended.

Electrical crews, we applaud your dedication and labors. One cannot imagine the fatigue you will continue to endure until this mess is cleaned up.

We thought last year's storm was the one for the ages, but this blast of ice and snow will weigh heavily on the community for weeks to come. For some, power may not be restored until late this month or even into March. The electric companies will not admit it publically, but the rebuilding of the power grid is going to take weeks and weeks. On the power line in our neck of the woods there were seven broken poles and two others were leaning so far they too will have to be reset. Trees and limbs across the right-of-way will take a half day to clear, and that's just in one small section of the region.

The Press and Early Bird this week and last were published thanks to a generator and a dedicated staff. We also printed a single leaflet late last week with updated news and then distributed them around town. Necessity is indeed the mother of innovation.



In the Bluegrass State where basketball is king, a hoop was turned into a makeshift laundry line over the weekend.

Quick Report: Local News Briefs

Infant formula is available

The Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) will be providing baby formula to clients daily. Distribution was at Marion City Hall from 10 a.m., until 2 p.m., on Tuesday, but was likely to be moved to the hospital later in the week. Call the Emergency Operations Center at 965-5313 for information on when and where formula can be picked up.

The WIC program is distributing formula in Livingston County between 8 a.m., and 5 p.m., this week at the Smithland Health Department. In Lyon County, the distribution site is Lyon County Elementary School between 10 a.m., and 2 p.m.

Many convenience stores are now opening in communities across the region. The Store is open in Fredonia during daylight hours. It has fuel, kerosene and non-perishable foods.

At the edge of Livingston County, Salem Foods is open and Harris Gas in Salem is delivering fuel to customers.

WMJL Radio 102.7 FM and 1500 AM should be on the air broadcasting emergency information at some point Wednesday afternoon, according to station owner Joe Myers. Electricians have been trying to get the radio on the air since early this week.

Once on the station can broadcast its signal, Myers said a loop of continuous storm information would run throughout the day. It will be updated regularly.

Residents are being warned about the possibility of fires now that power lines are being energized. Two fires in the county last week destroyed homes on Deer Creek Church Road.

The fires were at the homes of Gary Tabor and Barry Beard. In both cases, fire crews had trouble getting to the homes due to downed limbs. Communications systems were down when one fire broke out and firemen had be summoned in person.

All of the county's volunteer fire departments are now fully ready to respond to emergencies as communications lines are open and roads are now passable.

Anyone needing drinking water may fill up their containers for free at the mobile water depot in front of Crittenden Hospital. Also, gallon jugs of drinking water are available

from Crittenden Ambulance Service and each of the county's five rural fire departments.

Crittenden Health Systems began admitting patients again on Monday. Last week, all patients were evacuated to area hospitals, mostly in Evansville.

Robin Curnel, director of nursing at Crittenden Health Systems, said a FEMA disaster team arrived early this week to help the hospital provide various services. Doctors, nurses, physicians assistants and a pharmacist arrived as part of the relief team.

The hospital established a temporary clinic where patients could be checked out or refill prescriptions. That temporary clinic was supposed to open for the last time on Tuesday. Family Practice Clinic next door to the hospital opened on generator power Tuesday. The hospital pharmacy is open as is CVS in Marion. CVS is open on a regular schedule, 9 a.m., to 9 p.m.

Dr. Greg Maddux said Family Practice Clinic will be open for a broad range of services.

Curnel said the hospital is operating on a generator and has the capabilities to handle emergency care. The most serious medical emergencies will be transferred immediately to other regional hospitals, but general care is now available at Crittenden Hospital.

Finding fresh linens has been an issue, but other area hospitals are starting to help. Western Baptist sent a load

Monday to the hospital and nursing home.

Most restaurants in Marion were unable to serve last week, but by Monday some were working on ways to get their businesses back open. Glenn's Kountry Kitchen at the Marion Country Club has been among the most innovative. It was open last weekend.

Pizza Roundup on Sturgis Road is not open to the public but owner Steve Haire has been running his pizza ovens and one gas stove. Everything is being prepared by volunteer cooks and the meals are going to the county's only warming shelter at Crittenden Elementary School.

Haire said most of the food being cooked was either in stock or donated by others.

The schools have started cooking for the shelter, too.

Ideal Fuels on Sturgis Road was the first gas station to start pumping fuel late last week. Its \$10 maximum has been lifted. It is conserving fuel because emergency vehicles are getting gas there, too.

Tabors Chevron opened Sunday morning and is pumping unlimited volumes as is Liberty Fuels which also re-opened early this week.

Fuel has been difficult to find for most residents. The emergency command center has been fueling its vehicles with diesel provided by the Crittenden County School System.

City Police Chief Ray O'Neal said that crime has been at a standstill. However,

his office has logged countless man hours providing security for banks and pharmacies and directing traffic at fueling centers.

Paducah Police sent officers here early this week to help with nighttime patrols, giving local officers a break.

Additionally, National Guard Military Police and Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Resources officers have been mobilized to Marion to help with law enforcement.

Major relief supplies were brought to Marion Monday night thanks to the National Guard. Among the emergency items were 250 cots, 500 blankets, 8 pallets full of water and 4,500 military MREs (meals ready to eat). The items were distributed to shelters at Crittenden Elementary, Tolu School and Sheridan Fire Department.

More supplies were en route from Frankfort, said Greg Rushing, emergency management director.

County officials said each of the area's three natural gas companies – Harris, UPG and Suburban – we back in operation and delivering to customers.

Crittenden County Courthouse is closed until power is restored to the city.

Doctors and nurses from the health department and hospital are checking on the condition of refugees staying at the CCES warming shelter and moving them if necessary.

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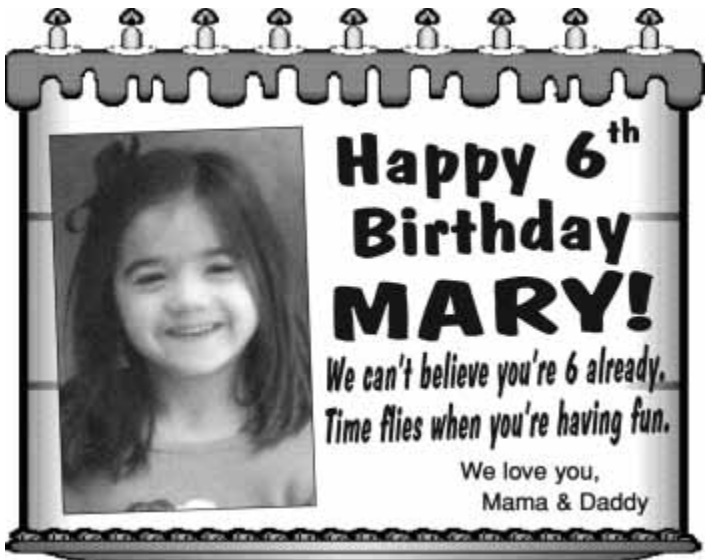
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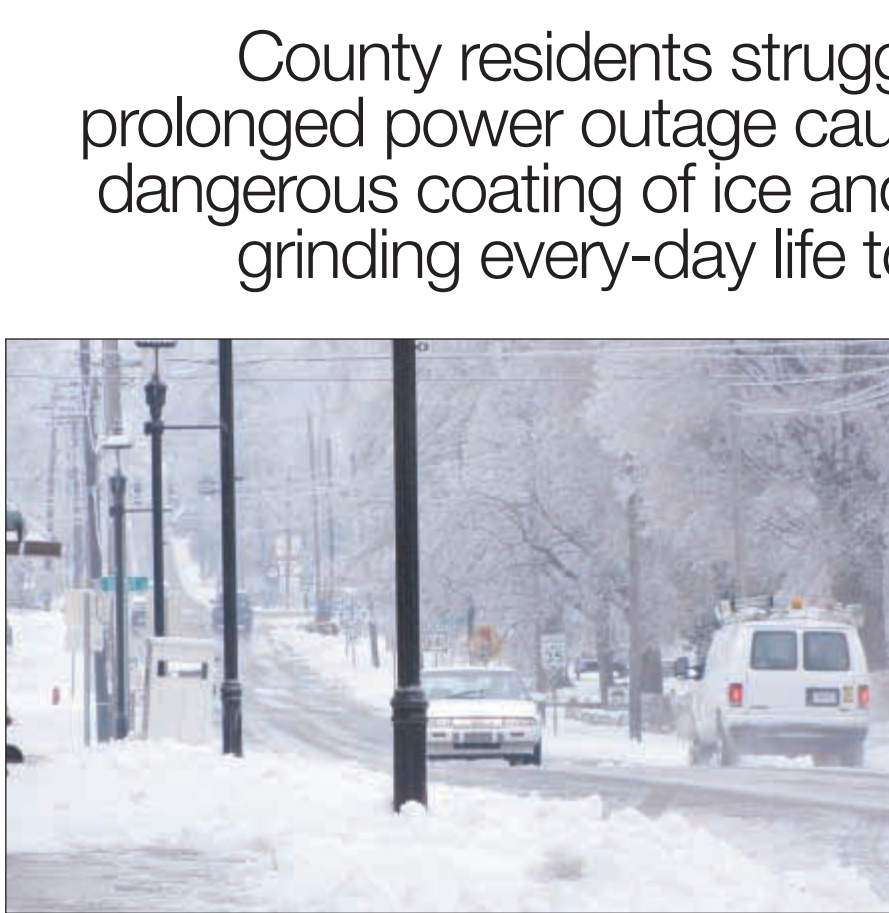


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The Press Calendar & Church Notes

Sunday

- The annual meeting of the Sugar Grove Cemetery Association will be Sunday at the church after morning church service. Anyone interested in the upkeep of the cemetery is encouraged to attend.
- The Crittenden County Cancer Board will meet at 1:30 p.m., Monday in the hospital cafeteria. Visitors are welcome.
- Woodmen of the World will meet at 6 p.m., Monday in the WOW office on West Gum Street. Members are invited to attend this business meeting. All attending are asked to bring finger food.
- "Ladies Night Out", a Health, Education and Career Fair will be held for women of all ages from 5 to 7 p.m., Monday at the elementary school gym. This event is sponsored by Heart-to-Heart and Even Start. There will be health, education and career booths with information for women to become aware of health issues and opportunities for careers and educational advancement. Door prizes, free samples and snacks will be provided.
- Due to the prediction of a bad storm the general United Methodist Women meeting has been moved to 7 p.m., Monday in the church library. Dulcie Hardin will still be the speaker.

Monday

- The Senior Citizens Center in Marion, located at 210 N. Walker St., is open for lunch weekdays at 11:30 a.m. The meals are \$5 for anyone under 60 and a \$3 donation for anyone 60 and over.

Upcoming

- Crittenden County Middle School PTO will meet at 6 p.m., Feb. 12 in the school's library.
- Miracle Word Church Youth will host its annual Valentine's Day Dinner on Feb. 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$15 for single or \$30 for couple. Dine in or delivery to Salem or Marion. Dinner includes salad, ribeye steak, baked potato, dessert and drink. Call 836-9048 or see any Youth member.

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Scenes around town

Not all scenarios from last week's ice storm were awful. (Clockwise from center) **A VIBRANTLY-COLORED** male cardinal perches on an ice-covered limb last week in Marion as he looks for food. **AN ODD** scene, icicles formed from the freezing rain of the first day of the storm pointed upward later in the week as a phone line twisted during a thaw. **OFFLOADING** A precious commodity at Tabor's Chevron Saturday, Bobby Holloman of Marion patiently waits while 4,500 gallons of gasoline from Max Arnold and Sons Inc., out of Princeton runs from his delivery truck into the ground. **STATE ROAD** crews had U.S. 60-Main Street in Marion passable Wednesday after an overnight snow-fall blanketed a layer of ice. **EAST DEPOT** Street in Marion looked like a country road Wednesday with a canopy of sagging limbs made heavy with almost three inches of ice as a brave traveler headed up the street. **CONNIE WALLACE** of Crayne opens a door plastered with makeshift instructions at Peoples Bank Monday. Wallace took a break from carrying pond water to her house in order to flush toilets to make a deposit at the bank, which was limiting the number of customers to 10 to ensure order with military police standing guard. **A DOWNED** utility pole and street lamp at the corner of Club Drive and Old Shady Grove Road blocks passage down the lane to the fairgrounds. Several poles in that area were snapped by the weight of ice-covered power lines. **JORDAN McMACKIN** (second from left) and a group of his friends struggled last Wednesday to remove a downed limb that blocked East Depot Street for a period. After about 20 minutes of struggling, the youngsters were able to clear a path for traffic just in time for Judge-Executive Fred Brown to pass en route from home to the Emergency Operations Center. **McMACKIN**, A teenager who lives on Kevil Street, discusses what he has seen around town last Wednesday while riding his bike almost effortlessly around the city's icy streets.



Water, food need careful attention

STAFF REPORT

Nancy Hunt, Crittenden County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, said she has been fielding many calls about freezers and disinfecting water. Hunt said the information comes from Maine's cooperative extension service.

"They have more experience in the situations we are facing in Crittenden County and the surrounding areas," Hunt said.

A boil-water order remains in effect for Crittenden County residents who utilize Crittenden-Livingston Water District.

Unless you are absolutely certain your water supply is not contaminated, purify all water before using it for drinking, preparing food, brushing teeth, or washing dishes. If the water contains sediment or floating material, strain it through a cloth before purifying it. If you have access to

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heat or power, water can be made safe by boiling. If not, you will have to treat it with chemicals.

■ Boiling (preferred method): Boil water at a rolling boil for 10 minutes to kill any disease-causing bacteria.

■ Chemical treatment: If you can't boil water, chemical treatment will kill most disease-causing organisms. Any of the following three chemical treatments will purify water.

■ Chlorine bleach. Household bleach is a good disinfectant for water. Before using, check the label to be sure hypochlorite is the only active ingredient in the bleach. Do

not use bleach that contains soap.

Since the amount of chlorine in bleach is variable, use the following table to determine the appropriate amount needed to purify water. Mix the bleach thoroughly in the water, and let it stand for 30 minutes. The water should have a slight chlorine odor. If it doesn't, repeat the dose and let the water stand for an additional 15 minutes.

■ Iodine. Household iodine from the medicine cabinet will purify water. The iodine should be 2 percent United States Pharmacopeia (U.S.P.) strength. Add 20 drops per gallon of clear water and 40 drops per gallon of cloudy water.

■ Water purification tablets. Water purification tablets will also purify water. These tablets are available at drug stores. Follow the manufacturer's instructions.

■ Water From the Hot Water

Heater. Your hot water heater or water pressure tank could supply many gallons of safe water during an emergency. Before using water from the water heater, switch off the gas or electricity that heats the water. Leaving the power on while the heater is empty could cause an explosion or burn out the elements. After turning off the power source, open the drain valve at the bottom of the tank. Do not turn the water heater on again until the water system is back in service.

Boiled water stored in sterilized containers will keep for six months to one year.

In addition, the American Red Cross is urging awareness to food safety. Perishable foods should not be held above 40 degrees for more than two hours. After weekend temperatures at or above 50 degrees, it is important that foods even suspected of spoiling be disposed of.

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NEWS RELEASE

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■ Forced air furnaces or central heating furnaces require electricity to operate the blowers and electronic ignition. The appliance should return to the normal operations once the power is restored.

■ Appliances such as space heaters, water heaters, gas grills and gas ranges should continue to work. However, please note, gas ranges and gas grills may need to be lit manually. If you need assistance

with that, please contact a local appliance service contractor.

■ Be aware of the carbon monoxide that may be produced if a gas appliance is operating improperly. Carbon monoxide, or CO, is a poisonous, colorless and deadly gas. Ranges, ovens or grills should not be used as a heating source for inside your home.

Contact Atmos immediately in the event of an emergency situation.

State tax forms unavailable in print

NEWS RELEASE

The Kentucky Department of Revenue has implemented some changes this year when it comes to filing 2008 tax returns.

Paper tax forms are no longer available in local libraries or post offices. By not printing and distributing the forms, the Department of Revenue (DOR) is saving approximately \$230,000 by having the taxpayers print their own forms.

All tax forms may be found, downloaded and printed very easily from revenue.ky.gov. Tax-

payers without computer access may have forms mailed by calling the DOR at (502) 564-3658. In addition, the department is mailing packets to those taxpayers who used their address label this past filing season and is continuing to mail the non-resident packets as well.



The DOR is providing a new payment envelope for taxpayers who electronically file and owe taxes. The envelopes are available at no cost to tax preparers and are available by contacting the Forms Department at (502) 564-3658.

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Dark and Cold

In the early hours of the power outage last week, Five Star Food Mart was one of the only stores in town open to the public although the store was dark and cold. Eventually, the shelves were bare and without backup power to operate its fuel pumps, Five Star closed and did not re-open until early this week, but fuel can't be pumped until power is back.



Pizza Roundup to the Rescue

Pizza Roundup has kept its gas stoves and ovens burning throughout the first week of the power outage. Although the restaurant is closed to the public, owner Steve Haire and countless volunteers have been preparing food at no cost for the warming shelter at CCES and emergency personnel working at the Emergency Operations Center at city hall. Pictured with Haire are some of the volunteers who were cooking Monday. They are (from left) Wanda Clark, Haire, Joyce Beckner, Annette Brantley and Shawna Sunderland.

Missed school days will likely be made up

STAFF REPORT
Many questions remain about the situation for Crittenden County schools after last week's winter storm, but one thing is for certain – students will remain out of class at least all of this week.
Due to the prolonged power outage and the use of Crittenden County Elementary School as a shelter for people displaced from the severe ice storm, Friday will be the ninth consecutive day of public education in the county lost to Old Man Winter. If electricity remains unavailable into next week, yet more days could be in jeopardy, according to Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough.
"I don't know much more about it than that," she said Monday evening, after helping at the CCES shelter earlier in the day.
When school starts back depends on the resumption of power at school

facilities, as well as the continued need for a shelter for residents without heat or water at their home. If electricity is restored, Yarbrough said it will take a few days to get the elementary school back in order after housing as many as 400 overnight refugees. If power is restored in the city, the shelter might be moved to a church or somewhere else so school can start back.
Food taken from the middle and

high school cafeteria to feed people at the shelter will have to be restocked, too.
Yarbrough said the central office was trying to get up and running Tuesday on generator power so that payroll can be met. Employees set up for direct deposit will have the money sent to their bank account. For the approximate 10 percent of district staff who still receive paper checks, either the finance staff will bring

printers online or hand-write paychecks.
It is likely that all of the days missed due to the outage will have to be made up by students, but there is a possibility that the district could be granted an emergency waiver. The superintendent said the Kentucky Department of Education has no set policy on emergency days and would look at each affected district's situation on a case-by-case basis.

Banks finding ways to keep customers in cash

STAFF REPORT
Of few businesses able to open over the past week, many were operating on a cash-only basis. Because of that, local banks were quick to respond.
Banks in Marion, Fredonia and Salem have been operating on abbreviated schedules since late last week, and plan to continue those limited hours and services until power is restored.
In Marion, Peoples Bank was open to walk-in customers. In Marion and Salem, the Farmers Bank drive through lanes No. 1 were open, and the drive through at Fredonia Valley Bank in Fredonia was open. All are operating on shorter hours and most are limiting the amount of cash that can be withdrawn. Only account holders were allowed to use bank services.
"We're operating as normal as we can in a situation like this," said Terry Bunnell, CEO and President of Peoples Bank, which was closed three days due to the outage.
"It's been an effort," said Chris Cook, compliance officer for Farmers Bank. "We've been operating out of our homes or anywhere we can."
All banking operations Monday were accommodated by military police stationed at each location to ensure order and security.
According to officials from various banks, Internet and electronic banking services, such as debit cards, were still available despite the power outages. Those capabilities were available to customers who had established electronic banking services for transactions such as Social Security payments.
"The electronic world has been going on like normal," Cook said of automatic transactions.
No new electronic banking applications could be processed during the power outage, however.
Banks with automated telephone systems were allowing customers to check account balances and to make transfers and debits. Some banks, including Peoples Bank and Farm-



Peoples Bank teller Vonda Todd attends to customer Gary Gerard early this week. Banks were operating on abbreviated hours and limiting services to account holders only.

ers Bank, are able to process deposits and checks. Several of the area banks have advertisements in this issue detailing their capabilities through the duration of the power outage.
Meantime, Bunnell said he is not unfamiliar with situations such as this. In Glasgow, Ky., where he maintains a residence and other banking operations, he said a severe ice storm crippled the city and the financial industry in 1994.

Trash disposal options

Though the City of Marion is offering free curbside pick-up of brush and limbs and the county's brush dump is open day and night, other types of debris may have been generated from last week's ice storm. Dumping of other items should be taken to Marion's solid waste convenience center at 1901 U.S. 60 East.
The center is now operated by Crittenden County Detention Center with the help of non-violent inmates under the supervision of jail employees. The center is open six days a week: Monday through Friday from 8 a.m., to 4 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m., to noon.

The cost for dumping is as follows:

■ Single trash bag	\$2
■ Additional bags	\$1
■ One-axle dump trucks, half full	\$75
■ One-axle dump trucks, rounded	\$100
■ Two-axle dump trucks, half full	\$100
■ Two-axle dump trucks, rounded	\$125
■ Small truck, half full	\$10
■ Small truck, full	\$15
■ Small truck with sideboards	\$25
■ Full-size truck, half full	\$15
■ Full-size truck, full	\$20
■ Full-size truck with sideboards	\$50
■ Trailers, 15- to 16-foot	\$40 to \$60
■ Roofing materials	\$75 to \$100
■ Sofa	\$10
■ Bed	\$12
■ Recliners, chairs	\$7

Additional information about items not taken at the site:
■ Tires, hazardous chemicals, biological disposal (dead animals, feces, etc.), paint or painting materials, vehicle batteries, used oil, construction and demolition debris.
■ Appliances and electronics will be accepted at the Marion Convenience Center, but refrigerants in any appliance must be properly drained prior to disposal.
■ The nearest disposal sites for construction and demolition debris are in Calvert City and Hopkinsville. In Hopkinsville, the city operated landfill is located at 5665 Mt. Zoar Latham Road. You may call 887-6245 for more information. In Calvert City, Waste Path Sanitary Landfill operates a facility on Old Coke Plant Road. Call 395-5313 for more.
■ Recycling bins at the Marion Convenience Center are set up to accept glass, aluminum, plastic, steel cans, etc. Call the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Office in Crittenden County at 965-5236 for additional information on recycling.

Governor tours state of storm

Gov. Steve Beshear again on Saturday visited regions of the state hard hit by the icy winter storm.
Gov. Beshear made stops in Madisonville and Dawson Springs, where he met with local officials and surveyed area storm damages. The governor was also scheduled to visit Mayfield, but was forced to cancel due to travel complications related to inclement weather that delayed his initial arrival in Madisonville. Last week, the governor visited Paducah and Henderson.
Lt. Gov. Daniel Mongiardo also visited Owensboro, Hawesville and Leitchfield over the weekend and met with local officials and assessed storm damages. First Lady Jane Beshear was in Morganfield and Dixon to survey storm damages in those areas. Executive Sec. of the Governor's Cabinet Larry Hayes and Transportation Cabinet Sec. Joe Prather also made stops in Livermore, Beaver Dam and Greenville.



Storm Refugees

Storm refugees poured into Tennessee by the thousands early last week, creating traffic jams, long lines at fueling stations and leaving grocery and department store shelves bare. This photo was taken of the bumper-to-bumper traffic exiting Kentucky and entering Puryear, Tenn., on Thursday of last week.

"This is the biggest disaster in modern Kentucky history," Gov. Beshear said. "That is why we must take unprecedented action to handle this crisis and ensure as best we can the safety of our people."
Gov. Beshear ordered the unprecedented activation of

all Kentucky Army National Guard units, along with selected portions of the Kentucky Air National Guard. This marks the largest call up of Kentucky National Guard forces in the commonwealth's history and will bring an additional 3,000 soldiers and airmen into the ongoing efforts to address

the needs of citizens of the commonwealth. This brings the total number of troops on duty to 4,600, exceeding troop levels for the 1997 floods and Kentucky's support of Hurricane Katrina efforts.
This storm marks the largest power outage in the state's history.

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limits of Marion are being encouraged to pile up their limbs and storm debris at the curb, however, not in the street or on the sidewalk. The city will eventually have crews to come pick up the debris, but it could be days or weeks before that begins.

City Administrator Mark Bryant said the Marion debris dump will not be open in the aftermath of this storm. Bryant said FEMA will be making an assessment of the repairs and cleanup needed here and determining whether federal aid will be forthcoming.

Judge-Executive Fred Brown said the county's debris dump at the old landfill off Bridwell Loop is now open. He said the county has no plans at this time for roadside pickup of any debris. He said rumors that FEMA has hired a contractor to pickup debris from roadsides is false.

The county brush dump will be open day and night, indefinitely. As usual, disposal is free for tree and other brush from both city and county residents.

Jamie Richardson of Marion and Stephen Lee of Burna, who work for Stephen Smith of Marion, have been hauling off limbs from around the county the last few days. On Monday morning, the two were unloading a trailer of mostly pine limbs.

- County Debris Dump **OPEN**
- City Debris Dump **CLOSED**

The City of Marion will be collecting limbs and storm debris at the curb. There will be no roadside pickup of debris in the county. The county's debris dump at the old landfill off Bridwell Loop is open.

Lee said he expects the work to keep him employed for several weeks. Richardson is happy to just have the work when unemployment is on the rise.

"Anybody who wants to work could have a job now," Richardson said of cleanup after the ice storm.

County officials urge residents to never pay up front for cleanup of debris and to always get verification of the contractor's liability insurance.

Burning debris on your own property is permitted in accordance with state laws. Because of forest fire hazards, burning within 150 feet of woodlands or brush land remains illegal in the Commonwealth of Kentucky from 6 a.m., to 6 p.m., Feb. 15 through April 30.

Residents needing to dispose of storm debris on their own property should first notify their local emergency operations center (965-3500) for instructions.

Further information about what to do about damage from a storm, and restrictions on open burning are available online once service is restored at www.eppc.ky.gov.