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**FILL IT UP:** The national average for gas prices has fallen for several days. | 10A

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**BY MALLORY PANUSKA**

Repot subscribers on both sides of the nonpartisan Paducah-McCracken County merger issue met on conservative ground Thursday for a debate on key issues.

Bill Jones, president of U.S. Bank in Paducah, represented pro-merger group Paducah McCracken United while McCracken Judge-Executive Van Newbery spoke for anti-merger group No To Merger at the GOP headquarters in downtown Paducah.

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**10 years following launch, Learning Center celebrates**

By Jody Norwood

Kentucky’s only astronaut spoke on the importance of the space program and education opportunities at the Challenger Learning Center on Wednesday.

The presentation by Col. Terry Wilcutt was the second of two events marking the 10th anniversary of the Challenger Learning Center. On Tuesday, Rep. Ed Whitfield, who secured much of the program’s early funding, and Len Veazey, former president of Paducah Community College, were recognized for their efforts in establishing the program.

Wilcutt discussed past, current and future space exploration, including the possibility of manned trips to Mars, before addressing the Paducah Regional Space Station.

Wilcutt, of Russellville, is Kentucky’s only astronaut and four-time space shuttle veteran, while her husband’s company plays in his youth.

“I would have really have taken part in the Challenger Learning Center give students exposure to math and science fields that he wasn’t exposed to in his youth,” Wilcutt said. “I learned in math because I didn’t know any engineers,” Wilcutt said. “I would have really have liked to do engineering, but I didn’t have any role models. We bring these kids into the space program, and they see themselves as engineers and scientists.”

WKCTC President Barbara Davidson said the program was pleased with the presentations from both sides. A 13-member study group voted in May to place a 14-section annex on the Nov. 6 ballot. Members spent roughly two and half years revoulving the play, which establishes a 13-member consolidated body made up of a chief executive, three at-large members and nine district representatives.

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Man accused of pointing gun at 3 utility workers

**LOCAL**

By JODY NORWOOD

A man accused of pointing a gun at three utility workers faces a charge of assaulting an emergency responder.

Derington called 911, working on the right utility workers near his property. Marshall Water were doing their jobs but it happens. Utility workers are doing their jobs and someone thinks it's on their property, and the workers get threatened. People need to be more aware of easement and the right way on their properties. Derington was taken to the Marshall County Detention Center.

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**Driver damages baseball field**

McCracken County detectives asked for the public’s help in finding the suspect who damaged a baseball field in Lone Oak was vandalized. Detective Sgt. Darrin Frommeyer said that someone had driven a car onto a baseball field. The field was damaged by a car, which has a potential of a quar-ter-million dollars in vandalizing the workers.

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continuing deep tracks and causing damage estimated at $2,500. An appeal with information is called to ask the McCracken County Sheriff’s Department at 270-444-4715.

**Art report**

Music complaint leads to arrests

Paducah police arrested two Illinois residents Wednesday night after a noise complaint. Officers arrested Paul Worley, 29, of Effingham, Illinois, and Clarissa Marziale, 32, of Chicago, Illinois. Officers arrested them at a home in the 1300 block of West Main Street. Each was charged with disorderly conduct and with giving an officer a false name. Officers also found out-of-state warrants for Hayes and a 37-year-old also at the Jefferson Street apartment. Officers arrested the woman as well and taken to McCracken County Regional Jail.

**Art report**

Construction of the Paducah School of Art's new sculpture facility will begin Monday after a groundbreaking ceremony Thursday. The groundbreaking ceremony begins at 4 p.m. at 913 Madison Street. The 6,700-square-foot sculpture building, which is set to open in January 2014, is the second phase of the art school's Lower Town expansion. The new building will house fully equipped studios for clay, wood and metal fabrication, as well as a facility for bronze casting.

The sculpture facility will be adjacent to the renovated Madison Hall property that will open in January with a ceramics studio, as well as a new program for jewelry and metals.

**MERGER**

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Jane summarized the pro-merger group’s “Why Merger?” presentation. The presentation refers to the people in the stopper, into a bourbon barrel commemorating the family. He said that if we could get back the right people and have like 30 people and get to talk directly to the people involved in the process. It was very personal.”

The Associated Press contributed to this article.

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Valuable Inserts

**FREE CONTENT**

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The debate lasted about 90 minutes and included presentations from both sides.

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The federal government is projected to run a fifth consecutive trillion-dollar deficit in fiscal 2023, hundreds of billions of dollars of national debt for such important projects as building new embassies, funding the salaries of the intersection between scribes and makers, training Moroccans to make pottery, and financing Idaho-caviar. These are a few of the highlights of the 2023 budget, according to Tom Coburn’s annual compilation of the government’s most wasteful spending.

The Oklahoma senator awarded Coburn the title of “Dr. No” last year as the biggest waste taxpayer of them all. This year Coburn is on pace to be the least productive since Congress is having no problem burning through its own $132 million budget.

Coburn has rejected his Constitutional responsibility to approve a budget for the last 1,200 days. This year the Senate Budget Committee did not even bother preparing a budget to vote on.

Coburn wrote: “All the outrageous and wasteful contents of this report were made possible by either the absence or lack of action of Congress.”

For example, the Department of Transportation has spent years not allowing companies to name any part of God in their platform. Even though the investors’ incentives to take risks is guaranteed other people’s successes, there is no guarantee to me that someone who has a salary of $100,000 a year for 10 years will lose money before turning a profit. There is no guarantee to me that the incomes of people whose tips but still collected $1,000 a month in fruit flies is $1 million every month. Every time Congress spends in the past, is going to take or cut out of children’s lives, there is a loan that will have to be financed for decades. Your kids shouldn’t have to subsidize Warren Buffett’s hefty salary, a stripiper’s plastic surgery or the careless spending of Congress. Every dime Congress spends inCisco and Google are making $1 billion a year to maintain unused equipment and other obsolete equipment. Just in case computers and typewriters and other obsolete equipment. Just in case computers and typewriters are likely to be people who are politicians who jack up tax rates and have a complete address and daytime telephone number. All handwritten letters must be directed to Linda Coche.

**Letters deadline noon today.**

Letters to the editor pertaining to candidates in the Nov. 8 general election must be received by The Paducah Sun and published no later than noon today.

To be considered for publication, letters must be signed and have a complete address and daytime telephone number. All letters are subject to editing for clarity and brevity.

Letters should be one to two pages in length. The format will depend on the space available. Letters must be typed in double spacing, 12-point Font and 1-inch margins. Letters exceeding 250 words will not be published.

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Illinois unemployment dips to 8.8

Jobless rate falls to 8.4 percent

The U.S. unemployment rate dipped to 8.4 percent in September. That’s down from 8.5 percent in August. And the Illinois Department of Employment Security reported that the state’s unemployment rate improved significantly in September, after the state saw its jobless rate fall to 8.4 percent.

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State looks to widen portion of Mountain Parkway

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is looking to widen another portion of the Mountain Parkway to four lanes.

Preconstruction work is under way on the proposal to widen two miles of the road just outside Salyersville, build a new Salyersville interchange and build a new bridge across the Licking River.

Some 35 Salyersville-area residents attended a public meeting earlier this week to view plans for the nearly $22 million project.

Construction could be under way in 2015. Transportation officials said the project will make travel safer for all eastern Kentucky residents.

—— Associated Press

Snap Apple Night set at LBL’s Homeplace

GOLDEN POND — Halloween traditions of Scot-Irish farmers will be celebrated at an event held between the Lakes on Saturday.

Snap Apple Night at the Homeplace begins with tales told at a blazing bonfire, followed by an old-time snap apple game. There will be warm cider to drink and people should dress for chilly weather. The event is from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Lawn chairs and blankets are recommended.

Admission is $5 for people over 12, $3 for elementary students and free for children 4 and under.

The Homeplace is located in the Tennessee portion of LBL and features 16-restored or reconstructed log buildings plus interpreters in period clothing demonstrating the daily lives and customs of mid-19th century farm families. 

—— Associated Press

A box of ammunition appears on the counter of a gun shop Wednesday in Tinley Park, Ill. Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle is set to make official her latest tax target: bullets.

Preckwinkle insists the ordinance is far more about addressing gun violence than raising money for a county that faces a budget shortfall of more than $60 million.

The county. Through last week, the city reported 499 homicides this year compared to 332 during the same period in 2011. Although the violence still doesn’t approach the nearly 900 homicides a year Chicago averaged in the 1990s, officials say gang activity was largely to blame for a rash of shootings earlier this year.

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Drought conditions ease in key farm states

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I have voted 100% for economic incentives that have directly created or retained nearly 5,000 jobs and resulted in approximately $90 million in new private capital investment.

I played a leading role in landing Murray State University’s 3rd Degree Program in Paducah.

I serve on the Community Scholarship Board. This scholarship allows all qualifying area high school graduates to attend the first two years of college free at WKCTC.

I initiated the process that obtained a $1 million grant to construct one new and refurbish the existing two elevators at the Jackson House benefiting nearly 300 elderly residents.

I led the effort to get all city surplus property on our website so it could be sold. We have sold over 50 pieces of property since.

I led the effort for the Ice Skating Rink. We had over 19,000 skaters the first year.

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2 American women to be elevated to sainthood

**By Audrey Mcavoy**

**HONOLULU** — In life, Mother Marianne Cope was known for her forthright kindness, and her holiness in death. In full, her story is what led her to be one of a group of 14 women who are to be elevated to sainthood today.

She was a nurse who founded a medical mission in what's now Kalaupapa, Hawaii, to care for leprosy patients in the island. She was said to have a group of followers that were known for their care for leprosy patients in the island.

And since her death no years ago, she has been credited with helping cure two people.

On Sunday, Mother Marianne was canonized as a saint, with the Vatican formally recognizing what her supporters have long believed in her. She is in heaven and that in her intercession two people were miraculously cured of ailments that should have killed them.

At the ceremony presided over by Pope Benedict XVI, the church will also canonize six others, including Kateri Tekakwitha, a 17th-century Mohawk Indian who spent most of her life in what is now upstate New York.

Bishop Larry Silva of the Honolulu diocese said the church canonization of people as saints can be inspiring to the example to go to heaven and become saints themselves.

“Our ultimate goal is to be in heaven and we know the journey there is not always easy. So we need role models, people who can inspire us through their lives,” he said.

The event comes nearly a century after Mother Maryknoll Sisters arrived on Kalaupapa, an isolated peninsula on Molokai Island where Hawaii's government forcibly exiled leprosy patients for decades.

Mother Marianne heard the call to come to Hawaii from New York state in 1884 when she was 45. She was married to William Keough, then the U.S. and Europe — of six [sic] — who agreed to a request by Hawaii's king to come to the islands to help leprosy patients.

At the time, there was widespread fear of the disease, which can cause skin lesions, mangled fingers and blindness.

The Mohawk Indian began exiling patients to Kalaupapa in 1886 in a policy that remained in place for a century later even though new drugs in the 1940s made it curable.

Shortly after her arrival from Syracuse, N.Y., she had learned that a government-appointed administrator was abusing patients at Branch Hospital in Honolulu.

Mother Marianne threatened to leave with the six sisters that accompanied her unless the government removed the official. The government soon gave full oversight of the hospital.

She treated everyone with dignity, no matter their status in life, said Sister Darvis Albright, the principal of Our Lady of Peace School outside Honolulu.

Mother Marianne dedicated her life to caring for leprosy patients on Kalaupapa in Hawaii. Mother Marianne gave her life to caring for Hawaii's leper patients, outreachs that others stayed away from.

She did not wait for fear they might contract the disfiguring disease, which can cause skin lesions, mangled fingers and blindness.

In life, Kate Mahoney stands in front of the Blessed Mother Marianne casket in the Franciscan Chapel at the Sisters of St. Francis motherhouse on Court Street in Syracuse, N.Y. Mother Marianne's discovery of a serious childhood illness is attributed to prayers by Sister Mary Laurence Hanley to Mother Marianne, who died in 1918.

**Phyllis Tessitore** of Amsterdam, N.Y., says a prayer in front of a statue of the blessed Kateri Tekakwitha at the National Kateri Shrine and Reservation in Fonda, N.Y. On Monday, the Vatican will formally recognize Tekakwitha, a 17th-century Mohawk Indian who spent most of her life in what is now upstate New York, as a saint. Related story, 8A

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**West Kentucky Chris- tian Alliance will co- sponsor a Home Party rally beginning at 2 p.m., Oct. 27 at Dorothy McCluskey’s home. Information: 994-9230.**

**New Harmony Baptist Church of Benton is host- ing a Youth Explosion on Oct. 27. Featuring music from 27th and the Latch Key and Bo Harris Band. Guest speaker will be Drew Hopkins. Registration starts at 1 p.m. and live music starts at 1:30. There will be a free meal following the event. Any youth group interested in attending please contact the New Harmony office at 527-3811 or email ne- whomarybaptist@gmail.com.**

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Some tornado-damaged Joplin churches to reopen this month

BY WALLY KENNEDY

JOPLIN, Mo. — Jim Foran, a member of the First Community Church, attended the end of last Sunday’s church service in the building, he said, “The tornado sucked it all out. It’s hard to believe it’s happened much power.”

On Monday, Homestead, a member of the church’s building committee, watched as workers built the new sidewalks near the entrance. Inside, workers were installing the last pieces of stained glass in the new windows. The first new pews will be arriving in about 10 days, he noted. “And, we’re really excited about getting them.”

Now, 16 months later, a handful of the 40 or so churches that were either destroyed or damaged by the tornado are preparing to reopen. The First Community Church is set to reopen this weekend.

Also reopening is the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which will have an open house for the public later this week.

Churches seek to reclaim the religiously unaffiliated

BY ROY QUTMAN

McClatchy Washington Bureau

First Native Americans begin celebrating their own month to be canonized

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Tom Caldwell

Dennis Metts

BENTON — Dennis Metts, 78, of 514 16th St., Benton, died Thursday, Oct. 11, 2012.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Church of Benton with Reverend Scott and Reverend Efua Eley officiating. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Pettway-Rowland Funeral Home.

Tom Caldwell, a son, Rev. James Caldwell and a member of Paducah Hospital.

Kathryn Stone

Paducah, passed away in Paducah, Kentucky died October 2, 2012, at the age of 77.

She is survived by her parents.

She was a member of Salem Baptist Church and married Willard Stone and raised their children in Paducah.

She was predeceased by her husband, Pe- ter Horner; and two granddaughters.

Memorial contributions may be made to New Liberty United Methodist Church, General Fund, Ke- nley, KY 42356.

Kathryn Kirk

Caldwell; a son, Rev. James Caldwell and a member of Paducah Hospital.

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Barbara Brown

FULTON — Barbara Brown Alcorn, 92, of 221 1st St., died at 11:37 p.m. Wednesday at Baptist Health South, Barbourville.

She was predeceased by her mother, Dorothy Matthews; two brothers, James and Michael; one son, Bryan Douglass of Flattup, Ariz., and one great-grandchild.

Marvin Belt

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Sunny rebels besiege Shiite villages

BY HAMZA HENDAWI

BEYANON, Syria — Any county is tiny, and that's why it matters. For some 30 years, the Bekaa Valley has been a Sunni beacon of stability, an escape from the civil war that has left Lebanon, Syria and Iraq in ruins. But now, as the war spreads to the Bekaa, fighting has turned it into a deadly battleground.

The Bekaa, a narrow strip of land that runs from east to west across Lebanon, has been a haven for Syrian refugees, who have fled the war for nearly five years. But as the conflict has continued, the region has become a target for rebel groups, including the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), which has captured a number of key cities in Syria and Iraq.

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