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Bond's Broadcast

Go Jackets; Good Luck

Although some of the readership, those who get The Mercury in the mail, will not gather in a copy of this week's edition before Thursday, inside we have special section in tribute to the NCHS boys' basketball team, and the team's trip to the 10th Region Tournament. It's a highlight to be able to feature these young men, and I know all who are interested in basketball at all, and even some who aren't, wish the Jackets well in their quest.

Region Bound - The Road to Mayville... was done with the team in mind and the school's support should go with the group of 12, as it makes the trip to Mayville.

I know some who have not been to a game all year, so now's your chance. Jump in the car, bum a ride, or start out early and let's all get behind the jackets in the tournament.

In case you haven't noticed, I am a cheerleader to an extent, but it's only because I know how important it is to these young men, to the school and ultimately to the community.

Let's go jackets!
With a win over Deming in the regional, the Jackets would then face the winner of the Mayville - Clark County game, Thursday afternoon at 5 p.m.

During intermission of the Nicholas County - Bourbon County district finals, I had the chance to shoot or should I say throw a basketball from half-court.

The first was a little off the mark, but the second, just as I had planned of course, was right on target.

Thanks to McDonalds for the \$100 and the free salad, and thanks to the fans for their support.

It wasn't a thrill!
After I had my moment of glory, Pat Letcher stepped up and canned another half court beauty.

We folks in Nicholas County managed to bring home a few bucks from Bourbon County, huh?

Fire Department Cooperation; And, THANKS

Monday morning, as many of you already know, the house next to Garrett's restaurant burned to the ground. Just before the call went to the city fire department, the county department was dispatched to a fire in Moorefield.

Although the scene was certainly grim, there were many helping out. Pulling some furniture from the windows a group of men worked to save as much as possible, downstairs.

Fire departments from Millersburg, Paris and Bourbon County responded to offer assistance to the Carlisle department.

Once the fire was handled by the county department in Moorefield, the county crew returned to the city and set-up to continue in offering assistance.

The City of Carlisle is indeed fortunate to have received all of this help in this crucial situation, and I am certain I speak for everyone in saying thanks to everyone, the police, adjoining fire departments, city and county fire departments and all those just lending a helping hand during the fire.

Although no one was injured in the fire, a lot of folks put it on the line.

And so, for another week, thanks and thank you.

Mercury Memories - From Years Gone By

compiled by Lisa Olson

5 Years Ago
Thursday, March 17, 1983
An Ohio man was killed and another Ohio man slightly injured in the head on collision of two trucks on U.S. 60 at the Lake Road in Nicholas County, Wednesday, March 9. Sheriff accident reports and persons at the scene said.
A new board of directors, including KCI Manager John Burke as President, was voted into office by acclamation at the first annual Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce dinner meeting Friday evening at the Lake & Carolina Country Club.
Circuit Judge G. A. Fainauer announced that he will seek a full term as Circuit Judge in the 18th Judicial District, which includes

Nicholas, Pendleton, Harrison, and Robertson Counties.
BORN: Adam Todd Barry, March 7. Short Benjamin Baird, March 4. Lori Beth Row, March 1. Justin Allen Row, Jr., March 6. Jessica Lynn Tackett, March 6. Michelle Patricia Ince, 11, 1983.
DIED: William Thoma a Paulson, March 8. and Robert Harry Darling, March 11, 1983.
10 Years Ago
Thursday, March 10, 1978
Taylor Mathers has been appointed by County Judge. Eleanor Rose Besset to serve as Nicholas County Council until the position can be filled in the November, 1979 General Election; He fills the position vacated by recent death of Ralph R. Shover.

Representative Carl D. Perkins has won to the Secretary of State, Commonwealth of Kentucky, his nomination and declaration papers for nomination to the Office of Representative in Congress from the 7th Congressional District of Kentucky.
The Nicholas County school day will extend 60 minutes starting Monday in order to make up as many of the 31 snow days as possible. School is scheduled to start on June 5 unless more days are awarded.
DIED: Mary Carpenter Swinford, March 11. Robert O. Henry, March 10. Harrie Marshall Park, February 14. Gertrude B. Fainauer, March 11. Andrew A. Crump, March 10. J. H. (Veto) Walling, March 8. and Carl James Ward, 1988, March 8, 1978.

20 Years Ago
Thursday, March 11, 1968
Conway Frederick, age nine, died in front of a car driven by Clarence Walton, Route 3, Carlisle Saturday afternoon on Main Street. After first aid treatment at the Nicholas County Hospital, the boy was transferred to the U. K. Medical Center. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Frederick, Route 3, Carlisle.
A car driven by Otis D. Dale, 24, Carlisle, Route 4, was reported as a lost item after it was worked on the Millersburg Road (U.S. 60) 3 1/2 miles east of Paris, Thursday night, February 29.
BORN: Beth Lee Hammond, March 8, 1968.

LETTERS

I loved Bond's Broadcast in the March 3rd issue. I have no answers to Nicholas County's financial problems. I feared losing retail businesses because of the occupational tax. I even asked my magistrate about this. That may be the reason those businesses are leaving, but our retail stores have already made only small profits. The cost of transporting goods plus business expenses makes the price of products in Carlisle too great.

We really cannot make people feel guilty for buying from other towns. These same shoppers are trying to live within a budget and have to take costs into consideration.

Your idea is the best, every dollar should go to the county. A lot of people are terrified of public speaking, myself included. I would like to see a check or note our views.

Thank you,
Judy Dale

I read your editorial regarding the loss of business in this area and county. I have been in the office of the United States in this one of the worst areas that I have encountered.

To this close to Lexington we should have heard from some of the industrial facilities. It is always mentioned that we had people who sought industry.

We now live like an eastern Kentucky county than a big eastern area county. I very much agree that growth is the only answer.

I don't think we are represented very well on the state or national level.

Many years ago when the rest of the state was aware of the need to renew and look forward we were just left out.

At present I don't know a good future for the town or county. I think it will get worse before it gets better.

There will have to be a change in attitude and the quality of leadership and state and federal help. The reason so many people leave the area is the lack of opportunity in business and jobs. It just isn't much to live here as in a better area.

I would hope that we could get another industry, the lakes and some road rework on 26, 32 and 68. There are projects that would be a stand as the Mercury Editor.

Please keep up your good efforts to help the people informed.

Allen Clay Stone

I refer to your article in last week's Mercury where you mentioned that a large truck lagoon was being stirred with a 'boat out' to give it flavor. I couldn't help but wonder if this same 'flavor' and we just together a recipe for 'Rapid Dog'.

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Thank you,
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Sorgh Green Road
Carlisle, KY 40311 389-6688

P.S. This is 'Rapid Dog' submitted and no offense to anyone.

Miller's Message
By Chip Miller

How badly we need one another... There are two things reported recently which really drive home the point about this community's close ties.

First, there is the basketball high school tournaments. In the game where NCHS faced off against Bourbon County for the 57th District title the community this past weekend, the Nicholas County community was there.

There was hardly an empty seat in the Nicholas County side of the gym, in fact.

That's impressive!

It's much the same now with the Nicholas boys heading toward the regional games. The community, both city merchants and fans, are pulling together for the trip up U.S. 68 Wednesday.

The second instance I want to cite as an example of a community's bonding, and a much broader example, was the house fire on Broadway Street Monday afternoon.

There were fire crews and trucks from both the Nicholas County and Carlisle City departments fighting the blaze side by side.

Also, there were fire crews and equipment from Bourbon County, Paris City and Millersburg departments as well.

What better example of cooperation and assisting a neighbor is there than this? When the need arose, and it did with the fire, the community bonded together and worked as one.

In the case of the fire Monday, three communities bonded together - Bourbon County, Paris, Millersburg and Nicholas County, Carlisle.

I think these two examples of cooperation should serve as a proud reminder of how close this community's bonds really are.

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