

**5 Years Ago**  
Thursday, December 29, 1988  
Don J. Damper, Georgetown, formerly of Carlisle, was one of five state winners awarded the maximum award of \$2500 by Governor Wallace G. With all the awards, a suggestion system awards ceremony recently. He is the son of Mrs. Raymond Hill of Carlisle and the late Elmer Damper. He graduated from Carlisle High School and the University of Kentucky.

Nicholas County Volunteer Firemen, girl friends and wives assisted in preparing toys for delivery on Christmas Eve. Fire Chief Mark Hughes and Richard Gardner said donations from the community and area business make the event a huge success each year. The group helped bring Christmas to over 150 children this year.

**BORN:** Last Lynn Allison, December 21.  
**DIED:** Russia Ritchie Fryman, Friday, Ritchie Fryman, December 21 with the stroke he died on December 21.

**10 Years Ago**  
Thursday, December 25, 1983  
Jack Arnold, newly elected circuit judge of the 18th Judicial District, will be sworn in on Monday, January 2, 1984 at 8:30 a.m. in the Circuit Court room on the second floor of the State Capitol Building.

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By James Hart  
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Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Darrell, \$3,500 second, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Horton, \$2,500 second, R.L. Billy Burton, \$2,500 second, R.L. Horton, \$2,500.

The Nicholas County F.F.A. look part in a seven-month hog show and sale at Carlisle, Friday, December 18. Nicholas County F.F.A. members sold seven cross bred hogs for \$7,084 pounds for \$2,585.87.

**20 Years Ago**  
Thursday, December 27, 1973  
Mrs. Maryory M. Burges, assistant cashier, First National Bank, was honored Friday afternoon, December 21 with a surprise party. The occasion marked her 25th year with the bank.

**30 Years Ago**  
Thursday, December 25, 1963  
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## MERCURY VAPOURS

By Warren R. Fisher  
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Merry Good!

Some of the best, if not the best, pull smokes, cream candy that melts in the mouth, came last Friday morning when John Fryman came to renew Mrs. Harry Old's subscription.

First off, he asked for Janis. I yelled but quickly realized that the back squeak was not on and I'd have a hard time getting her attention over the general hubbub, without walking to the back shop.

Attending to the job at hand, that of getting the subscription renewed, I then walked to the point where I knew my voice would carry to the back and asked Janis to come up to the front office where Mr. Fryman presented her with a box of cream candy.

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There was a man told Tom out. I dont know where that Payne that was a nother man told him that a man went down on a creek and went down in a drift pile and suspon bit him and he went to the house and said that he got snake bite by a poison snake and they all said he would haterky and they all went to the drift pile and found a poison and went and told him and he got all right at once. But I dont know where that is true are not.

### GENERAL NEWS

**Roads**  
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indicated on the map.  
Priority Arrows, including runs all the way through Elizaville to Lower Blue Lake, KY 26, which runs past Wheatstone to Morefield is also a Priority Arrow.

The local road crew in Nicholas County stay on call. They are ready to be there in case hazardous weather exists, John Keith, chief engineer at the District 9 office, said.  
Wesley Fryman is the Chief Foreman of the road crew in Nicholas County. Bobby Fay is the Assistant Foreman.

The Nicholas County Road Department uses its own salt and trucks when making roads safe for winter. They have salt trucks when making roads safe for winter. They have salt trucks when making roads safe for winter.

## Have a happy, alcohol free New Year

The holidays are a good time to make happy memories with family and friends, but adding alcohol to holiday celebrations can make sad and embarrassing memories you would rather forget.

alcohol social gatherings can lead to a bad time for everyone involved. "and Mike Townsend, director of the Division of Substance Abuse in the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services.

**BORN:** To Pat and Mrs. Robert Lee Shry, a self, Saturday at Johnson Memorial Hospital. To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond King, a daughter.

**DIED:** Miss Ingeborg Riehl and James Alton Mann, Monday in the Carlisle Methodist Church. Miss Willa Frances George and Mrs. W. Berry, December 31.



Map of Nicholas County showing roads and locations. Includes a legend for road types and a scale bar.

### Clark Funeral Chapel

119 West Main Street — Carlisle  
Open For Business - Open House To Be Announced  
289-5500

### Now's The Time To Think '94.

Thinking about what a dent Christmas shopping put in your budget this year? Think ahead and join our Christmas Club '94. By the time the holidays roll around next year, you won't have to think twice about where to find the money for gifts—it will be in the bank!

### Deposit Bank Of Carlisle

126 Years Of Dedicated Service To Nicholas County  
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289-2205 289-3400

with alcohol, plan how you will handle it before attending any get-together where alcohol may be served. Both hosts and guests should know the dangers related to drinking and use restraint in serving alcohol and consuming it," he said.

If you are at high risk for alcoholism or are recovering from alcoholism, taking medication, program or other people cause you to drink, he said. If you do drink, don't comment on someone who doesn't or insist that someone drink with you.

Parents also should be actively interested in the holiday parties their children attend or give. Talk to the parents of the host to find out if the party will be supervised, and make sure alcohol will be prohibited.

Make sure you are not drinking and driving. Parents should be actively interested in the holiday parties their children attend or give.

### Jerry's

Family Restaurant  
146 S. Standing Only  
Merry Christmas  
\$3.99  
\$4.99  
\$9.99  
\$1.99  
\$1.75  
\$4.00

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"Star Light, Star Bright, The First Star I've seen tonight... "Well someone out there in Nicholas County apparently wishes for a white Christmas, and got it, one day late. The first big snowstorm of the winter came on Monday evening, burying Carlisle and Nicholas County with approximately two inches of snow over a layer of ice. Motorists were advised to restrict travel, or as one city official said, "Just stay put."