

**GENERAL NEWS**



**Police Report**

Trooper William Hayes investigated a non-injury crash Oct. 20, 6:45 am on US 68 1/2 miles west of Carlisle. The driver was James S. Lavinle, 29, of Mt. Olive, KY. He was driving a 1987 Nissan.

Trooper William Hayes investigated an injury crash Oct. 20, 12:50 pm on US 68 1/2 mi east of Carlisle. Two vehicles involved, Robert W. Fields, 61, of Fairmount, KY suffered a shoulder injury driving a 1983 Chevy. Christie Allison McFarland, 16, of Trent, OH, driving a 1989 Ford, suffered a head injury. The passenger, Tari McFarland, 36, suffered an arm and leg injury. Trooper Shaun Stephens charged Larry G. Stoker, 47, of Carlisle with speeding and DUI. The arrest occurred Oct. 21, at 5:45 pm on US 68 1/2 mi. west of Carlisle. Turned over to Nicholas County Transportation officer.

The Carlisle Mercury Tara George Photo did Lisa Livingston and her parents.



Susan Irvin and her parents, Joni Hill and her mother and Katie Lawrence Night at NCHS last Friday night as the Bluejackets took home!

**OBITUARIES**

**ELEEN HOWE MORAN**  
Eileen Howe Moran of 638 Dursey Ave. Carlisle died Tuesday, Oct. 25 at her residence. She was a Bath Co. native, and was a waitress. Survivors: 2 sons—Bobby Hughes, Carlisle and Robert Moran, Lexington; one daughter—Ruth Marie Strapp, Ft. Myers, Fla.; one brother—Gary Stevens—Grandma Michael and Gary Hughes. Services will be 1:00pm Thursday at Mathews-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. Steve Smith. Burial in Carlisle Cemetery. Cash-bearers will be George & Dick Garrett, Gene Kelley, Gordon Sargent, Ollie Platt, and

Sion Joseph. Visitation after 4:00 pm Wednesday.

Debbie Gail Barbee, age 33, died Oct. 15, 1994, at her home in Millersburg. She resided near Millersburg on Black Cross Rd. She left behind two children, Michael, 14 and Ashley, 9 and her father Mark North. Other survivors include Janice Day, her mother and Rex Staffin, her grandfather. Burial arrangements for the funeral are at Hinton-Turner Funeral Home, Paris and burial at Memorial Cemetery north of Lexington on US Rt. 68.

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*Superintendent's Notebook*  
By Randy Evely

**WHAT IS WHOLE LANGUAGE?**  
Whole language is not a thing, it is not a set of materials, and it is not a prescription for success. Whole language is a way of thinking about how children learn language, oral language and written language. Children naturally acquire oral language by listening and talking. During these developing years perfection is not expected; children are free to make mistakes and approximations. Adults, for the most part, are understanding and accepting because they realize that learning language takes time and practice. However, when children begin to read and write, immediate success is often expected. As with oral language children need ample time to practice reading and writing through meaningful experiences. This allows them to develop and understand how to use the written word to make mistakes and to learn from their mistakes. Because whole language teachers understand how children learn language, they provide time and practical learning opportunities for literacy development.

**Common Elements Found in Whole Language Classrooms**  
There is no single recipe for a successful whole language program, but these classrooms share several common characteristics:

**Whole Language Students:**  
• Progress through developmentally appropriate stages.  
• Share responsibility for their learning.  
• Are involved in social interaction throughout the day.  
• "Feel comfortable" trying and practicing their reading and writing without fear of criticism.  
• Evaluate their progress as a natural part of all learning experiences.

**Teachers of Whole Language:**  
• View students as capable.  
• Become co-learners and work servers as they interact with students.  
• Model and demonstrate reading and writing.  
• Facilitate student learning.  
• Give students feedback that is positive and specific.  
• Whole Language Classroom Instruction:  
• Teachers reading and writing through authentic experience.  
• Views content and process learning as equally important.  
• Implements activities which are learner-centered and meaningful.  
• Provides quality literature to support literacy development.  
• Integrates language processes across the content areas.  
• Believes in student empowerment through ownership and choice.

**CHARACTERISTICS OF A WHOLE LANGUAGE CLASSROOM**  
• Students are excited about learning.  
• Students take more responsibility for their learning.  
• Better classroom management is obtained which leaves more time for teaching.  
• Meaningful writing experiences and oral literature based materials are more motivating to students.

Hunter, Jeff Randolph, Rusty Lawrence, Roxanne Bow, Barry Myers, Jason Metcalfe, and Ashley Fields. And there may be more.

**Football .....**

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Eighth grade teams were victorious. On Sept. 29 at home against Clarksville, both teams were victorious. At home Oct. 5 against Meason County, both teams were victorious.

The only major loss of the season was Oct. 13 at Estill County with Estill County defeating both teams. "We just fumbled the ball and had too many turnovers," Hopkins said.

It was the Eighth grade team's only loss of the season. Hopkins noted.

**Wills .....**

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concerns with her. While listed what she considered the district's strong points, "We have one of the best staffs of teachers you could have anywhere."

Keeping effective classroom teachers at their jobs. "We need modern facilities but if we don't encourage these younger teachers to stay, they may go elsewhere. We need them. But all of our teachers are interested in advancement and having the kids do their best."

Nicholas County students are the heart of every decision she's been involved with so far as a school board member. "I think the students are at a point they're proud of what they have at Nicholas County and they want to compete with everybody else. I think we have good kids overall."

**Halloween .....**

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William Hawkins, Pam and Josh Shepherd, Barbara Biddle and her son, Robbie, Mildred Gifford, Jon Sparks, Amanda Abney, Ashley Van Meter, Wendy Van Meter, Sherry Howard, Christy Stone, Patti McClure, Billy Bay

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