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Top 10 stories

The Carlisle Mercury will present the Top 10 stories of 1995 in the upcoming Jan. 4, 1996 issue. Enjoy a look back at key happenings, from the "A Time To Remember World War II" Commemoration to the new roof project for the Nicholas County Courthouse.

Congrats, Melba!

Nicholas County Home Economics Extension Agent Melba Burch will leave her post Jan. 2. She married Paul Swagler of Lebanon, Ohio, during the Christmas holiday. Congratulations and best wishes, Melba and Paul.

OLD FASHIONED GOSPEL

THERE WILL BE AN OLD FASHIONED GOSPEL CONCERT 7 p.m. FRIDAY, DEC. 29 AT THE MOOREFIELD CHRISTIAN CHURCH. DOUG AND PAT REID OF FLORIDA WILL BE THE FEATURED SINGERS.

Area Weather Forecast

Thursday - Partly sunny. Low 18. High 31.
Friday - Partly cloudy. Low 20. High 35.
Saturday - Partly cloudy. Low 51. High 39.

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Groundbreaking ceremony planned Sharpshurg water district extension project continues

A groundbreaking ceremony is being planned following a preconstruction conference for the waterline extension project in Bath and Nicholas counties 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19 at the Sharpshurg Water District Office on Ky. Route 11 (Main Street). Particular contract requirements, the disposition of work in areas with existing utilities, and special Kentucky Department of Transportation (KDOT) requirements will be reviewed at that time. The contract Notice to Proceed signing will also take place, with authorization to proceed being made at that time. A letter is being forwarded to the project contractor, Kenney Construction, whose attendance is required. The utility owners with interests in the project area, project funding agency representatives, the Sharpshurg Water District and the KDOT representatives. Parties on the preconstruction conference distribution list besides The Carlisle Mercury include Mike Peyer, chairman, Sharpshurg Water District; Harlan Kenney, Kenney Inc.; Dan Sutt, permit engineer, KDOT; Ronnie Brooks, Jeff Farn Jr., Bath County Judge Executive; Chuck Smith, Nicholas County Judge Executive; Billy Kazer, general manager, Bath County Water District; Bath County News Outlook; Greg Billinski, general manager, Texas Eastern Pipeline Company; Columbia Gas Transmission Corp., Charleston, W.Va.; South Central Bell Telephone Co., Louisville, and Randy Jones, Rubin, Hayes, and Foley, Louisville.

Two Nicholas County residents arrested in Bourbon stinging

CARLISLE - Two Nicholas County residents were arrested Tuesday, Dec. 19 during the conclusion of an eight month Bourbon County sting operation. A total of 54 persons, the most from Bourbon County, were arrested. A spokesperson for the Dry Ridge Post of the Kentucky State Police told The Mercury Tuesday afternoon that the KSP Special Operations were joined in the operation with the Paris

Nora Martin of Carlisle selected to trapshooting team

VANDALIA, Ohio - Nora Martin of Carlisle has been selected to the 1996 women's All-American trapshooting team, according to Jerry Hacke, president of the Amateur Trapshooting Association (ATA), which determines the teams. This is the 19th consecutive time Martin has been named to the women's team, including 14 appointments as captain or co-captain.

The ATA hosts both the Grand American (the annual 10-day national tournament which in August drew more than 5,000 contestants to the ATA's complex near Dayton, Ohio) and a series of "satellite" Grand (smaller, regional tournaments providing Grand American-style trophies and competition).

She won the women's singles championships at the Dixie Grand (in March near Savannah, Ga.) and the Southern Grand (in March near Tampa, Fla.)

At the Spring Grand (in February near Phoenix), Martin collected seven ladies trophies, including the singles and double championships, the all-around (the combined totals of the main singles, doubles and handicap events, usually 400 targets) and the high over all (the sum of all scores shot during a tournament).

Effective March 1, 1991, all hunters born on or after Jan. 1, 1975, shall, while hunting, carry a valid hunter education course graduate course graduate card in addition to the appropriate Kentucky hunting license requirements.

A bow hunter not in possession of a firearm may carry

Two pre-Christmas fires destroy property



The Nicholas County Fire Department responded to two fire calls Thursday, Dec. 21. Here, firemen douse flames at 1050 East Union Road at that the home of Jim and Sherry Johnson and two daughters, ages two and three years old. No one was at home when the blaze began, about 4 p.m., reported Fire Chief Mark Hughes. The home is owned by Russ and Jerrine Johnson. The home, built in the early 1930s, wasn't a total loss, but suffered extensive damage. No cause of the fire was determined. Four trucks and several firemen responded.

John Mathers Health Care Requests please donate blood during the holidays

The holiday season brings thoughts of family gatherings, decorations and gifts. Volunteer blood donors can give a gift of life to patients in local hospitals. Most donor's blood is separated into three components and transfused to three patients to meet their specific needs.

Kentucky hunter education course Jan. 4-5

A Kentucky Hunter Education Course will be held Jan. 4 and 5 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Jan. 6 from 1 p.m. until completed at the basement of the Nicholas County Library.

For additional information, please contact Bush Alexander 288-2523, Freddie Marshall 288-7972 or Marie Halpin 987-2952 or Charlene 288-3020. The course will be cancelled due to weather.

Nicholas residents in Maysville play

Community theater is alive and well in Maysville, Ky. The Maysville Players are hard at work on their next production, "Little Shop of Horrors," which will open on Jan. 5 at the Opera Theater.

The 50th style musical on which the film starring Steve Martin and Rick Moranis was based takes place in a flower shop on 43rd row in 1962. The show is down on its back until a young botanist stumbles across a strange and interesting plant, which unfortunately has human eating habits.

Nicholas County Fire Department and community put 200 toys under the Christmas tree for local children

More than 200 toys were put under the Christmas tree of Nicholas County boys and girls this year due to the generosity of community members and the Nicholas County Fire Department.

"We had more children than ever on our list but the support was better this year than ever before," reported a pleased Nicholas County Fire Chief Mark Hughes Tuesday afternoon. "I appreciate everyone's help who contributed to the Toys for The program. It's a right smart undertaking for us at the fire department, but we see the need. This year we made 11 stops."

The department has held the project for about the past dozen years. Community members inform the fire department of children in need of toys each year during the holiday season. Each child receives two new or excellent condition toys.

The toys were delivered Saturday, Dec. 23 and Sunday, Dec. 24, with firefighters dividing Nicholas County into sections to make the deliveries. Firemen participating this year included Chief Hughes, Mike Phillips, Doug French, Mike Warner, Doug Bloomfield, Calvin Denton, Tracy Bromberg and Matt Hughes.

Mercury forwards Christmas letter to Santa Claus

The Carlisle Mercury received one letter to Santa Claus past deadline last week. The letter, from Courtney Evans to Santa, requested a dump truck and some rocks. The letter was forwarded to Santa without delay.



The Carlisle Mercury on Wednesday, Dec. 20, presented Ricky Lane, 5, son of Wanda Jolley of Carlisle, with the "World's Largest Stocking" on Saturday, Dec. 16 at Field 5 in Hazard. The stocking contained an assortment of toys such as The Lion King, Power Rangers and other stuffed toys.

Three Nicholas County Fire Department trucks and several men responded to a fire approximately 9:30 a.m. p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21. The two-story home belonging to David Foy on East Hill was completely destroyed. The home was being occupied by Richard Mitchell and family. No one was at home at the time the fire began. Fire Chief Mark Hughes said the fire began in the woodstove area of the home. The department provided toys and clothes for the seven Mitchell children in time for Christmas.

Upon successful completion of the course, a graduate card will be issued which is valid in any state where such certification is required. Attendance at all sessions is required for certification.

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Success comes, but with price. The cast includes Steve Zwart at Seymore, Cobby Warwick at Audrey, Andrew Wood as Mr. Mushnick, Gary

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