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## -In Brief- Cheatham Club has fish fry on July 11

The Marie Cheatham Club of Carlisle (formerly Marie Chapel 259) will have their annual Fish Fry on Saturday, July 11, 1998. The meeting will be at the Depot on Market Street at 5 p.m. All members please bring a covered dish and enjoy everyone's company.

## Historical Societies to hold joint dinner

Historic Paris Bourbon County and the Nicholas County Historical Society will hold a joint-dinner meeting at Forest Retreat Inn on July 15, at 5 p.m. "Main Street Brass", from Cynthiana will provide an hour's entertainment for the meeting. Please call Jean Conley if you are interested in attending this joint meeting at 259-5422.

## SBDM Council schedules meeting

The Nicholas County High School SBDM Council will hold the scheduled July meeting on July 15, 1998 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Nicholas County High School conference room.

## Football practice begins in July

High school football practice begins July 13 and 14 for grades 9-12. Hours will be from 6:30 to 8:30 and activities will include running, lifting, working on skills and taping equipment. July 15, from 6:30 to 8:30, marks the first official practice. Helmets, shoulder pads and shorts are required for practice and all attendants must have physical examinations.

## Address sought

If anyone knows the address of Betty adrian Anderson or Pauline Fredrick Moran, please send your information to: The Carlisle Mercury, P.O. Box 272, Carlisle, KY 40311 or call us at (606) 289-2464.

## Earlywine reunion planned for August

The 25th annual reunion of the late Harley and Lela Kelly Earlywine will be held on Sunday, August 8, 1998 at Blue Lick State Park. A potluck lunch will be served at 1:30 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited.

## We've Moved

The Carlisle Mercury has moved to a new location and we invite everyone to drop in and see our look. If you need to see us, come to our new office at 113 South Locust Street in Carlisle beneath the Depot Bank. We hope to see you soon!



Photo By: Amy Rankin

Above is just one of the many beautiful, classic cars that drove through the Blackberry Festival Parade on Thursday evening, July 2.

## Earlywine displays catch of the day

By Amy Rankin  
Managing Editor

Christopher Earlywine, age 15, of Spring Street in Carlisle, was the official fish story-teller on Monday, July 6. Earlywine, the son of Daniel and Karen Earlywine, caught a 42 inch Spoonbill Catfish Monday morning from the Licking River, at the mouth of Cassidy Creek. His father said they had just bought some goldfish the night before and his son had caught the large fish by using one of the smaller ones.

Although the family has yet to decide what they will do with the catch of the day, they are considering having it stuffed and mounted.

When asked if the fish gave him much trouble, Christopher stated, "I had to fight him a little bit."

It was obvious from the proud look on his face, however, that he didn't mind the struggle.

If you have an unusual fish story you would like to share with The Carlisle Mercury, write to us at: P.O. Box 272, Carlisle, KY 40311 or call us at (606) 289-2464.



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**Catch of the Day**  
Christopher Earlywine poses with his 42-inch Spoonbill Catfish on Monday, July 6, after catching it in the Licking River earlier that morning.

## Flora crowned Blackberry Queen

By Amy Rankin  
Managing Editor

Amanda Flora, the eight-year-old daughter of Ollie and Dorothy Flora, was crowned Blackberry Queen during the Festival's Parade on Thursday evening, July 2. During her acceptance at Nicholas County High School, Amanda was a member of the Pop Club, Spanish Club and FFA for four years. Lady Jacks Basketball, Environmental Education Team, FFA, WCA, FFA and Ecology Club for two years and Yearbook Staff, Drama Club and Treasurer of HOSA for one year.

She is also a member of the Carlisle Christian Church.

Amanda received second place on the Achieving High Standards Vocational Essay and was named the All-American Vocational Student and was awarded a \$100 Savings Bond.

She obtained a certificate in HOSA State Convention and was ranked Superior at the Regional FFA Day Contest for an impromptu speech.

Amanda was crowned also crowned Miss 1998 Prom Queen, a 1998 graduate of Nicholas County High School and plans to attend KY Tech in the Fall, where she will major in practical nursing.

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## Blackberry Festival Parade marches through Carlisle

By Amy Rankin  
Managing Editor

The annual Blackberry Festival Parade marched down Main Street, Carlisle, Thursday evening, July 2.

Crowds of people lined up and down the street and in front of the Courthouse, watching as the festivities made their way through town.

Political candidates tossed candy from their vehicles as children scrambled to gather the morsels from the busy street.

Nominees for Blackberry Queen—Amy Hatfield, Kari Gifford, Jonelle Katliff and Amanda Flora—waved to the

crowd as they passed by in their shiny coronettes.

After the Queen nominees had taken their seats in front of the stage, a number of community representatives made their way down the street, including the Millersburg Military Academy (MMA), the newly-formed Boy Scout Troop of Carlisle and Nicholas County and the high school award-winning marching band.

Also included in the annual parade were classic cars, a caravan of tractors and 4-wheelers, as well as a host of horseback riders.

The parade was concluded with the announcement of the 1998 Blackberry Queen, Amanda Flora, and a special dedication from the American Legion to Rachel Berc.

The organization dedicated the special evening to Rachel in recognition of her amazing ability to cope and regain the strength of her youthful life after a near-fatal car accident in which she suffered massive injury.

Rachel was named by the American Legion as an Outstanding Citizen and was presented with a basket of Independence Day flowers.

Once the parade had ended, many attendants made their way to the rides and food waiting on the Courthouse lawn.



Photo By: Amy Rankin

Some participants in the annual Blackberry Festival Parade rode their 4-wheelers down Main Street on Thursday, July 2.



Photo By: Amy Rankin

Snow White and her Prince sit atop the bouncy-house at the Blackberry Festival, where children were able to jump and flip on a soft, giant air mattress.

## Two men arrested on charges of auto theft, drug possession

Kentucky State Police Trooper J. Taylor arrested two Lexington men in Harrison County Monday, June 21.

Officer Taylor called the reportedly stolen 1987 Ford truck over on U.S. 27 North, where the two men were allegedly smoking crack cocaine.

Anthony Green, the driver of the vehicle, was charged with DUI, second offense, receiving stolen property and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The truck was reportedly stolen nearly a week earlier from a Super America on Broadway, in Lexington.