

A Special Message From The Carlisle Mercury

National attention has been focused on Oklahoma and Kansas as a result of the massive destruction and terrible loss of life caused by the May 3 tornadoes. Along with the beauty and newness of spring, these states have experienced the darker side of nature.

Unfortunately, we can never predict when our homes and businesses, friends and family will be placed in harms way from the adverse effects of weather, be it floods, snow storms, hurricanes or tornadoes.

The newspaper you are reading is part of Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc., which also owns 53 papers in the state of Oklahoma. We are relieved that no loss of life occurred among our newspaper staffs, although some family members were among those killed, and so very many have experienced incredible personal loss.

Whatever the tragedy and whatever the cause, the American Red Cross is there to provide aid and comfort, bringing to the people victimized by these events the food, shelter and a sense of caring they so desperately need.

The Carlisle Mercury is asking for your help in restoring calm to those who are suffering from these devastating storms. No contribution is too small in helping put lives back together. Skip lunch one day this week. Hold off on buying that new piece of clothing. Then, write a check for the money you saved and send it to:

American Red Cross
Attn: May 3, 1999 OK/KS Tornado Victims
P.O. Box 243
Morehead, KY 40351

The kindness you extend will help so much.

We thank you for caring.