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Schools

Nicholas County H.S. seniors traveled to San Francisco during Spring Break



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Nicholas County

**Shopper to join Mercury**  
Beginning this week, the Carlisle Mercury will publish a supplement to the newspaper that will target businesses in Nicholas County and parts of Bath and Fleming County.

**Tobacco for bid**  
Sealed bids will be opened at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21 for the purpose of leasing a tobacco quota established for Clay Wildlife Management Area.

Bids are to be opened in the Finance and Administration Cabinet's Division of Real Properties office at 403 Wapping Street, Bush Building, third floor in Frankfort.

The bid is for the 2001 crop year. Bids are to be made on the basis of cents-per-pound for the number of pounds established this crop year by the local farm service agency.

The 2001 quota is 3,485 pounds of burley tobacco.

Bidders must be a land owner in Nicholas County.

The state reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Bid forms or additional information may be obtained by contacting Scott Aubrey of the state properties branch, division of real properties, at 502-564-2205, extension 226.

Information may be obtained Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by contacting Burford Clark at the wildlife area on Cassidy Creek Road, box 1449, Carlisle, 40311. Phone is 289-2564.

If someone plans to attend the bid opening and has a disability which requires accommodations by the division of real properties, please contact the office by April 20 to permit making reasonable arrangements.

**Veterans rep in Carlisle**  
A Veterans Benefits Field Representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs will be at the Nicholas County Courthouse in Carlisle on the third Wednesday of each month, from 9 a.m. to noon. This is a free service, provided by the state department of veterans affairs. Bring appropriate documents at visit.

For details or to answer questions, call 1-866-376-0908. Leave a message if office staff are unable to answer.

**Board meeting reset**  
The Nicholas County Board of Education meeting has been reset. Instead of it being held on April 16, it has been rescheduled by a special meeting Monday, April 23, at 7 p.m., in the central office.

**Free shade trees available**  
Ten free shade trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during April. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Trees for America campaign.

The free trees are red oak, sugar maple, weeping willow, green ash, thornless honeylocust, pin oak, river birch, tuliptree, silver maple and red maple.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting until May 31, with enclosed planting instructions. The six to 12 inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution by March 31, to Ten Free Shade Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE, 68410.

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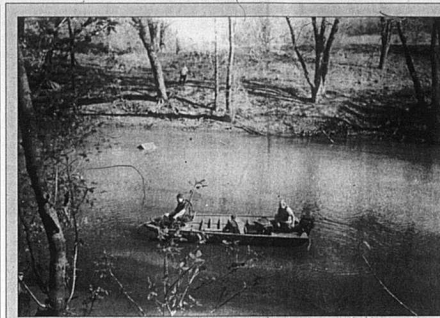
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A team of rescue personnel trawled the Licking River for the bodies of two drowning victims Friday, April 13. Dennis Dent and Bobby McDonald drowned after the boat they were riding in capsized.

Tragedy in Nicholas County

Two men drown in boat accident

By Beverly Howard  
Staff Associate and  
KIM HAMILTON  
News Editor

Two Nicholas County men died in a fishing boat accident on Good Friday, April 13, according to authorities.

Mark Hughes, chief of the Nicholas County Fire and Rescue Department, said Bobby McDonald, 42, of Moorefield and Dennis Dent, 52, of Carlisle, drown in the Licking River after the boat they were riding in overturned.

The accident occurred near the Milltown campground in eastern Nicholas County near the Fleming County line, 11 miles east of Carlisle.

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Nicholas Teen Bath Countians dies in crash

By RON MIDDLETON  
Staff Writer

A Nicholas County high school student was killed in a two-vehicle accident Sunday on KY 3236, 2.6 miles from Cynthiana, police said.

According to the Kentucky State Police, Amber D. McCoy, 16 and a junior at Nicholas County High School, was operating a 1988 Chevrolet Beretta east on Millersburg Pike at around 9:50 p.m. and crossed the centerline into the path of a 1993 Chevrolet truck, driven by Gregory L. Roberts, 36, resulting in a head-on collision.

The Harrison County Sheriff's office, Harrison County Fire Department responded and McCoy was declared dead at the scene as a result of her injuries. Roberts sustained injuries, but police did not say how he was injured or where he was taken.

A Kentucky State Police reconstructionist was called to the scene and alcohol is not suspected as a factor in the accident. Neither driver was wearing their seatbelt.

The collision is still under investigation by Kentucky State Police.

Two people from Bath County were injured Sunday in a two-vehicle accident on KY 36, about two miles east of Sharpburg, police said.

Kentucky State Police said Thomas D. Gerlaugh, 23, of Sharpburg, driver of the first vehicle, was flown to the University of Kentucky Medical Center and admitted for multiple injuries.

Teresa Caudill, 28, of Owingsville, driver of the second vehicle, was transported to Mary Chiles Hospital in Mt. Sterling and admitted for observation, police said.

The accident occurred around 8:30 p.m., when Gerlaugh was operating his pickup truck eastbound on KY 36, when he lost control, crossed into westbound traffic and side-swiped Caudill's vehicle, a GEO Storm, police said.

Gerlaugh then struck an embankment and his truck came to a final rest on its side with the cab crushed against a utility pole, police said.

Two passengers in Caudill's vehicle, Jeff L. Caudill and Bonnie R. Caudill, were not injured. Caudill was wearing a safety belt, but police said it was unknown if Gerlaugh was wearing a safety belt.

Trooper Chris Merriam is investigating.

Tincher wrenches 3 homers from Panther pitchers in 14-3 win

Bat Jackets rip 12 hits, 5 home runs

DENVER BROWN  
Sports Editor

The Nicholas County Bat Jackets wasted no time in sending a message to rival Fleming County in Monday afternoon's sandlot matchup. Nicholas County blistered Panther starter Brad Price for three homers (five on the game) in the top of the first on their way to a 6-0 start.

The Panthers (7-0) never recovered in the 14-3 mercy-rule loss to the 13-1 Bat Jackets.

Nicholas County senior B.J. Tincher had the hot bat for head coach Bill Anderson's diamond dandies, going 4-for-4 at the plate. WITH THREE HOMERUNS! Eric Earlywine and Chris Gray added four batters as the boys in blue rattled the

Fleming County defense for a dozen hits, five going out-of-the-park. Windy, unseasonably cold temperatures added to the Panthers' frustration (and the Bat Jackets' celebration) - but it was the one-two combination of Nicholas County's hitting and pitching that moved Anderson's bunch to their 13th win of the season.

"It was just a situation where the wind was a factor, but those homers really did have an effect on us," Fleming County skipper Mark Crain told the Carlisle Mercury.

"We came back and got two in the bottom of the first, but they just kept hitting the ball - if they were a 10 last year, they're an 8 1/2 or 8 3/4's team this season."

To start things off, Tincher sent Price's delivery waaaaay over the outfield fence for a leadoff ding and the 1-0 lead. Seniors Jay Grant and Josh Fryman added a single and junior Seth Saunders

walk'd. Earlywine's three-run blast made it 5-0 (Grant scored on Fryman's swing) and

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Student of the Week

Leslie Earlywine  
NCHS  
Student of the Week



Leslie Earlywine is Nicholas County High School Student of the Week.

A junior, he is the son of Dora Livingood, of Buffalo Trace Road.

He is involved in baseball, football and basketball at school.

He said his favorite subject is Spanish.

After school, he enjoys playing baseball and spending time with his two dogs, Frisco and Mita.

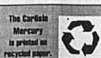
High school teacher Nida Fryman nominated Earlywine for Student of the Week. "Leslie is always willing to help, shows respect for others and has a good attitude," Fryman said.



Nicholas County senior B.J. Tincher connects on the next pitch for his second of three homers in the Bat Jackets' 14-3 win at Fleming County on Monday. Head Coach Bill Anderson and baserunner Harris Harrington watch from third base.

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