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Hill receives All-State

Dustin Hill, a senior at Nicholas County High School, received an honorable mention recognition from the Louisville Courier-Journal for his achievements in football during the 2000 season.

Hill was named to the EKC All-Conference team two years during his participation in the high school football program. He was also recognized as All-District during one of his four years as a player.

Circus coming to town

Circus Cavalcade is coming to the National Guard Armory in Carlisle on Monday, April 2, at 7 p.m., for one show.

Acrobats, jugglers, trained animals, stunts, clowns and illusionists will be in the show.

Children who are 14 and under are admitted free. Tickets for students 15-18 are \$4 and adult tickets are \$8, and will be available at the door.

Veterans rep to be 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.

Veterans and their families may receive counseling and assistance in applying for state or federal veterans benefits.

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 1-866-376-0308. Leave a message if office staff are unable to answer.

Elementary site-based meeting set

Nicholas County Elementary School's site-based decision making council will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday, April 3, at 4 p.m., in the school library.

City public hearing set

The City of Carlisle will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 9, at 6:30 p.m., on the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

City regular meeting set

Carlisle City Council will hold its regular meeting on Monday, April 9, at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Fiscal court meeting set

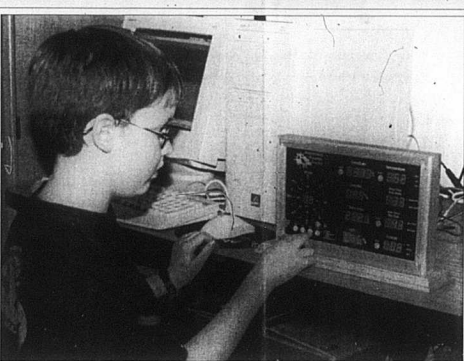
Nicholas County Fiscal Court will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 10, at 7 p.m., at the courthouse.

High school site-based meeting set

Nicholas County High School's site-based council meeting will hold its regular meeting Wednesday, April 17, at 5:30 p.m., in the council room at the school.

Board of education 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.



Walker Mattox demonstrates how to read the various numbers coming through the weather lab and how to decipher them.

Students soon will be forecasting local weather

By KIM HAMILTON News Editor

Nicholas County Elementary students in Cathy Caswell's classroom will be keeping an eye on changes in the weather.

How can they do this? With equipment that monitors weather patterns and changes, that's how.

The Automated Weather Service Worldwide School Weather Network makes it all possible.

"Once we get this equipment set up, anyone in the United States can find Nicholas County

Elementary School and see what the weather is doing here at the moment," Caswell said.

The school has had the equipment for about a month. It consists of a camera and a rain gauge mounted on the side of the school building which is hooked up to a computer inside.

"We will be able to tell, sitting inside our classroom with no windows, what it's doing outside," Caswell said. "It's really neat."

When the weather watcher gets up and running, it will be hooked into an on-line system with WKYT, Channel 27, the

CBS affiliate in Lexington.

As Caswell was demonstrating the system, she clicked into a program that is set up in Brookline, New Hampshire, and it was snowing there last week.

At the same time, on Tuesday, March 12, the temperature in Carlisle read 64 degrees, humidity was 47 and barometric pressure was 29.21.

The barometric pressure had been dropping all day, indicating rain. And sure enough, it had been sunny that morning and clouds were beginning to take an

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Spring sports just waiting for weather

Baseball, softball and track, tennis get going next week

By DENVER BROWN Sports Editor

The players and coaches are as ready as they can be, now it's just up to Mother Nature.

The spring sports teams at Nicholas County High School are set to begin their seasons in spite of uncooperative weather. Rain, snow and unseasonably cold temperatures have made it difficult for the teams to get outside in the preseason.

The Blue-Jacket tennis and track squads are scheduled to get underway next week (after limited practice time), but the baseball and softball teams have already canceled and rescheduled their opening dates. Head Coach Bill Anderson's

Bat Jackets should have opened the 2001 season at Pendleton County Monday night, but 20-degree temperatures prevented the outing.

Mike Kenney's softball players had to shelve their Monday opener at Bracken County.

Both ball teams have had to spend most of the preseason fielding grounders off the gym floor and swinging the bats in the batting cages inside the gym.

"The weather has had a big impact on us because we haven't been able to practice outside that much," Lady Jacket softball senior Amber Gustoff told *The Carlisle Mercury*. "So we have had to go inside they gym and that makes it hard to do."

Anderson's bunch did get on the diamond Tuesday afternoon at home to defeat Mason County 2-0. Senior first-



Denver Brown photo Both Nicholas County baseball and softball teams have practiced in the preseason inside the schools' gyms. Bat Jacket senior B.J. Timmer takes a swing last week.

team All-State pitcher doubles at the plate. Josh Fryman got the no-hitter shutout win and Grant also connected for smacked a pair of

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Tobacco for bid at Clay Wildlife area

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.

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Students of the Week

Jay Grant NCHS Student of the Week

Jay Grant is Nicholas County High School Student of the Week.

Grant, a senior, is the son of Mike and Diana Phillips of Kennedy Heights, Carlisle.

He is active in basketball where he plays guard and baseball, where he plays shortstop. He has had a perfect, 4.0 grade point average throughout high school and is in the National Honor Society.

His favorite subject is college algebra, because, he said, he loves the teacher, who is Coach Story.

After school, he enjoys practicing basketball and baseball and playing with his dog, "Pebbles." He also likes to watch fireworks at the Baird's house.

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Elizabeth McCarty NCHS Student of the Week

Elizabeth McCarty is a Nicholas County High School Student of the Week.

McCarty, a junior, is the daughter of Rita and Ron McCarty of Main Street, Carlisle.

She is active in the school band, tennis, student technology, school play and academic team.

Her favorite subject is band, where she plays flute, piccolo and twirls flags.

"I just love it," she said of band.

McCarty said that after school she likes to go out with friends, sleep and play with her cat "Princess."

She plans to go to college after graduating. Teacher Nida Fryman nominated McCarty. "She is an excellent and well-rounded student who is thoughtful and inspirational to others," Fryman said.

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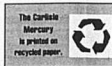
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