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## Across Nicholas County

### Smoot gets certificate

Reese Weston Smoot received the American Sailing Association Keelboat Certification at Kentucky Wesleyan College. This is the first certification in a process needed for persons to be able to charter their own boats. Smoot, a freshman history major, is the son of Reese and Janet Smoot of Carlisle and is a 2000 graduate of Nicholas County High School.

### Mont. woman to display art

The Montgomery County Council for the Arts will sponsor a gallery opening of an exhibit of paintings by Angela Patrickk, a Mt. Sterling attorney. The opening will be Friday, June 1, from 6:00 to 7 p.m. at the gallery. The reception is free and open to the public. The gallery is located at 44 East Main in Mt. Sterling. For information, call 859-498-6264.

### Summer II starts June 18

Morehead State University will hold its second summer session from June 18 through July 13. A post summer session begins July 16 and runs through Aug. 3. Full payment of tuition and fees is due on the first day of each session to avoid late charges. The cost is \$105 per credit hour for resident undergraduates and \$278 for out-of-state students; for graduate students, the cost is \$151 and \$405 for resident and non-resident students, respectively. For additional information, call the registrar's office at 606-783-2908.

### 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. 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.

### Veterans to receive help

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### Tobacco graders included

Tobacco graders of the federal department of agriculture will be in receiving stations to grade all tobacco delivered to Brown and Williamson Export Leaf. The official word came recently from Grain Tobacco Warehouse in Maysville. Farmers had expressed concerns about the lack of independent grading, and this response was in an effort to address fair dealing with farmers.

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### Weather

Cool; showers and possible t-storm  
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**Sitting on the porch**  
Four generations of one Carlisle family were spotted last week as they sat on their porch in grand southern style. They are Billy Willoughby II, holding Billy Willoughby III, Gladys Scott, with twins Sierra Perry and Serena Perry, both seven months old, and Hella Barton. Burton is the great-great grandmother of the twins. Not pictured is Kara Beth Hunt, also a great-great grandchild of Burton.

## Carlisle water in compliance

Carlisle, which supplies Sharpburg's water, received a notice of violation from the Kentucky Division of Water for failing to comply with monitoring and reporting requirements in 2000. Sampling was, however, performed in 2000 and had no detections of volatile organic contaminants in the years 1998-1998. That notice regarded the failure to do two tests for organic contaminants in the years 1998-1998. Sampling was, however, performed in 2000 and had no detections of organic contaminants in the years 1998-1998.

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**School bus retirees**  
A celebration was held for three Nicholas County school bus drivers who are retiring at the end of the school year this year. Between the three of them, there are 67 years total of bus driving time. From left to right are Louise Cohnen, with 22 years; Billy Anderson, with 33 years and Janette Ritchie, with 12 years of experience.

## Hill, Hunter head to Centre

Hill and Hunter will be on the defensive side of the ball for head coach Andy Frye's Division III Colonels. Both will play linebacker. "We at Centre College are excited that Dustin and Ryan have committed to play football at Centre next fall," Coach Frye said. "We are pleased that young men like these two will be a part of our program." "With determination and hard work, these young men will have the opportunity to contribute to our team as we pursue a national championship in the most competitive small college athletic division in the nation, NCAA Division III." Dustin is the son of Eddie Hill and Joyce McFarland and Ryan is the son of Randy and Paula Hunter.

## Nicholas Elem. involved in TV talk with author

The five-month campaign called "What If All Kentucky Reads the Same Book?" culminates Thursday, May 31 at 8 p.m., when Kentucky author Barbara Kingsolver takes calls from readers across Kentucky from KET's studios in Lexington. And Carlisle, Kingsolver's hometown, will be one of three live remote sites that the program, "Barbara Kingsolver Talks with Kentucky," will visit. Nicholas County High School English teacher Laura Brown, Nicholas County Public Library Director Becky Reid and KET Friends Board member Martha Sue Taylor have been working with KET Education Consultant and Carlisle native Cynthia Warner, to organize the celebration and discussion at the elementary school. Students from the high school and middle school as well.

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## Man arrested for DUI following accident

Kentucky State Police said Kenneth M. George, 46, of Covet Road, was operating a Ford F250 west on KY 537, when he attempted to cross the intersection of KY 11. He pulled into the path of a Chevy Cavalier, operated by Nichole L. Descartes, 17, of Mt. Sterling, who was traveling south on around 2:10 p.m., according to police.

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## Carlisle man hurt in crash

The accident occurred on Hwy. Hardy Road, about six miles outside Carlisle. A Nicholas County man was injured in a one-vehicle car accident that occurred around 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, according to police. Sheriff Charles Ring said that Artie North, 36, of Carlisle, apparently lost control of his vehicle, ran off the road and overturned.



Denver Brown photo

**'All wet!'**  
The opening rounds of the District baseball and softball tournaments were washed out Monday and Tuesday. The Nicholas County teams were set to play last night (Wednesday) weather permitting.

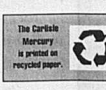
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