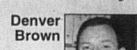


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## Across Last call for "No Call" approaches

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**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.

**Free higher ed guide for seniors**  
The 2001-2002 edition of "Getting In," a free guide to postsecondary education in Kentucky, is now being sent to guidance counselors for distribution to all high school seniors. The booklet is published by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority and is available online at [www.kheas.com](http://www.kheas.com), as well. It offers information on financial aid. For more information, call 1-800-928-8926.

**Assistance for adults returning to school online**  
Adults interested in returning to school have an online guide to help them plan and pay for college or technical training, the 2001-2002 edition of Adults Returning to School can be accessed at [www.kheas.com](http://www.kheas.com), the website of Kentucky's Higher Education Assistance Authority. For more information about programs and services, write to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, 1050 U.S. Highway 127 S., Frankfort, KY, 40601-4323 or call 1-800-928-8926, extension 7381.

Consumers must sign up by May 15 to avoid telemarketing calls after July 15

**The easiest way to sign up for the No-Call list is to access the Attorney General's web site at [www.kycall0.com](http://www.kycall0.com)**

FRANKFORT - Attorney General Ben Chandler is encouraging Kentuckians to sign up for the telemarketing "No Call" list by May 15, which is the deadline for the first list to stop calls.

The new anti-telemarketing law goes into effect July 15, and it will take some time to assemble the

names and distribute them to the telemarketers," said Chandler. "Then we must allow telemarketers time to update their lists to make sure they don't call people on the No-Call list. So the cut-off date for the first list is May 17." Citizens who miss the May 15 deadline will have until August 15 to add their names to the list, which telemarketers will observe starting

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### MSU Awards Day



MSU photo by Tim Holbrook  
During the recent Academic Awards Week, Morehead State University honored outstanding students in the various departments. Allison Grant of Carlisle, left, received the Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Secondary Education in the Department of Leadership and Secondary Education. Dr. Richard Daniel, interim chair of the department, made the presentation during the College of Education's Honors Breakfast.

### Purcell admitted to honor society

Central Kentucky Technical College inducted Dwight Purcell, an industrial maintenance student, into the National Vocational Technical Honor Society. Admission to the Technical Honor Society requires a student to have high academic ability at 3.8 GPA or higher. They also must have excellent attendance and be highly skilled in their technical area. Their instructors nominate students who receive this honor for their skill and leadership ability. He is the son of Emogene Purcell and the late Clyde Purcell. He has served as a member of the Kentucky National Guard for the last 18 years. His instructor described Purcell as hard working and determined. Purcell said he had come a long way with the help of his 12 year old daughter Laura. Both Purcell.

### Fleming-Mason Energy meeting set

Fleming-Mason Energy will hold its 64th annual membership meeting on Wednesday, May 15, at the co-op grounds in Flemingsburg. Registration for the members will begin at 1 p.m. with stage activities starting at 2 p.m. The business meeting is the main purpose for the event. Cooperative members and their families will hear reports on current activities and conditions of their cooperative. Also, a review of activities from last year, as well as plans for the coming year, will be presented. In addition to these reports, the members will elect two directors, who will serve for three-year terms. Director nominees are William Cooper of Fleming County and Tom Saunders of Mason County. The Board of Directors and CEO encourage members' attendance at the annual meeting. The featured entertainment of the day's

### Lady Jackets look to 'BIG' week

Nicholas gears up for the 37th District Tournament later this month. The club has been off almost a week (rain) and with a muddy field they haven't had much practice time. The Lady Jackets are scheduled to play four games (in as many days) next Monday through Thursday. And a doubleheader is on the agenda for next Saturday, May 18.



Denver Brown photo  
Next week, the Lady Jackets have a busy schedule, playing six games in six days. See bracket on page 2.

"We've got a big week coming up," head coach Bobby Storie told The Carlisle Mercury. "We've got four games during the week and then the doubleheader next weekend. We're just trying to get back and concentrate on playing before we get into the tournament." Starting next Monday, May 13, and if the rains hold off, the girls from Carlisle play Mason, Menifee, Sayre and Montgomery on consecutive afternoons. The Lady Jackets (5-13) play Bracken and Fleming County in the twinbill next weekend. Courtney Dale and Lori Sosby have been leading the Lady Jackets' offense. Dale and Tabitha Fryman have been sharing time atop the mound. "We're going to need to keep Courtney fresh for the District, so I'm sure Coach will spread out the pitchers next week," first baseman Ashley Hamilton said. "It's really going to be a mental test for us, playing that many games

### Tough teams, powerful pitchers make going rough

Nicholas draws Paris in 37th opening game

When the Nicholas County baseball team came out of the gates of the 2002 season with a 7-3 record, head coach Travis Sims was the first person to hold down the celebration. And likewise, now that the Bat Jackets have won just two of their last 10 ball games, Sims isn't the least bit concerned with his team's talent or ability. Of course, in this last two-week stretch Nicholas County (9-11) has gone up against some pretty stiff competition with near 90-mile-an-hour fast balls coming at them. "We're not playing any slouches right now," Coach Sims told The Carlisle Mercury. "But playing against teams at that level is good for

us. When we play teams we should beat and we lose, that's not any good. "And in the District tournament later this month, we're going to be facing good pitchers," the baseball boss said. "So we need to play those



Denver Brown photo  
Seth Saunders, above, and Michael Ockerman are leading the Jacket offense this season

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