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Galbraith on newspaper staff

Kyle Galbraith of Carlisle was named to the staff of The Cento, Centre College's student based newspaper, for the 2002-2003 school year. He has been appointed features co-editor.

The award winning newspaper features articles on current events, the school, sports and the arts, written by the student staff and students from the Centre community.

Galbraith is the son of James Galbraith and Cynthia Hughes, both of Carlisle, and a graduate of Nicholas County High School.

River celebration at Blue Licks Park

June is Kentucky Rivers Month, an observance being noted by Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park in Robertson County during special activities scheduled for Saturday, June 1.

The park is situated along the Licking River, so the focus of the day's events is with the waterway. The fun begins with guided canoe trips, starting at 9:30 a.m. Other activities scheduled during the day include a sock-puppet workshop, crafts, a wildlife demonstration and a nature music workshop.

At 7 p.m., singer-songwriter Debbie Tuggle will debut her new composition, "The Licking River Song." After the concert, a guided "owl prow" will be conducted.

Most activities are free and all are open to the public. For more information, contact the park at 1-800-443-7008.

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.

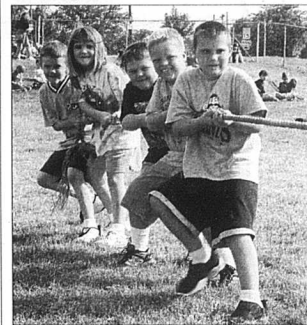
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Field day fun!



Denver Brown photos



Nicholas County Elementary school celebrated the end of the school year with its annual field day last Friday. Left, the tug-of-war brought about tired hands and feet and grimacing faces. Above, Barry Bretz's kindergarten class got things hopping with the sack race. From left: Taylor Cox, Marissa Jackson, Michaela Hatfield and Gage Stone.

The votes are in!

By RON MIDDLETON
Staff Writer

Tuesday was the day that all Americans voted their opinions on how their government should be run by closing the curtain and voting for the candidates of their choice.

As of Wednesday morning, preliminary results of Tuesday's primary show that Lois Combs Weinberg defeated Tom Barlow for the United States Senator by no more than 1,200 votes of the more than 480,000 votes cast statewide. Weinberg won Nicholas County with 996 votes to Barlow's 780.

For the Republican seat in the House of Representatives, it was smooth sailing for Geoff Davis as he crushed Roger Thoney 16,894 to 4,325. In Democratic local races.

• For County Attorney.

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NCHS to graduate 72 Sunday

By DENVER BROWN
Sports Editor

Final exams have been taken and college-entrance forms have been filled out.

And to conclude the 2001-02 school year, 72 seniors will be graduating from Nicholas County High School this weekend.

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On the right track

Nicholas track runs on State Meet this Saturday

By DENVER BROWN
Sports Editor

With fine finishes in last week's regional meet, the Nicholas County track teams are sending several athletes to this weekend's State Meet in Lexington. The boys' team finished fourth overall in the Region 4 Championships and six Blue Jackets will be going to the State Meet and Jessica Treadway will be representing the Lady Jackets.

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"We're thin in numbers but we've gone to several different meets this season and we've held our own," Nicholas County track coach Robert Hopkins told *The Carlisle Mercury*. "And wherever we've gone, we come back with medals and ribbons. You name 'em and we've gone up against 'em in meets. We've gone up against everybody, a lot of really good teams. But we've got a really great group of kids this year, too."

Treadway and Sam Reid both captured first-place honors in the region in the shot put. Adam Hunter was the runnerup in the boys' event. Hunter also threw a second-place



Denver Brown photo

2002 Nicholas County Boys and Girls Track Team

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