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Shop With A Cop

Local children will have a chance to participate in an added Christmas thrill this year because on Wednesday, Dec. 12 members of the Carlisle Police Department and Nicholas County Sheriff's Office will take 10 lucky children on a special Christmas shopping trip.

Carlisle Police Officer Brad Weaver is spearheading the efforts for the community's first Shop With A Cop program.

"We hope to have a lot of participation," Weaver said. "We are asking anyone in the community who would like to make a donation to this wonderful cause to contact the Carlisle Police Department or make a donation to the Carlisle Police Department's Drug Prevention and Education Fund established at the Whitaker Bank of Carlisle."

Anyone with any questions about the worthwhile Christmas project is encouraged to contact Carlisle Police Chief William Denton or Weaver at 289-3710.

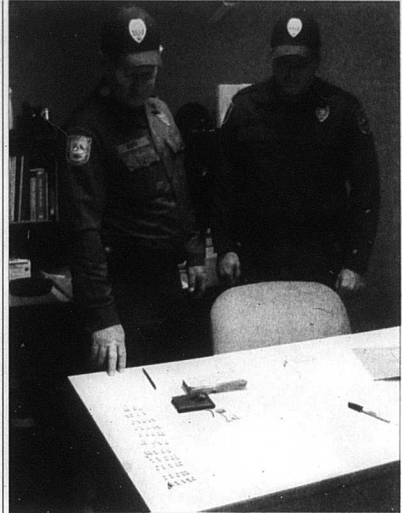


Photo by Hank Bond
Sgt. Herb Booth, left and William Earlywine of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife display pills and money from a drug arrest.

Pills, cash confiscated
Mt. Sterling man faces two counts

Michael W. Howard, 38, of Donaldson Road, Mt. Sterling was arrested and charged with two drug related counts, on Nov. 2.

The arrest occurred on Hallor Road at approximately 11:30 p.m.

Fish and Wildlife officer William Earlywine and Sgt. Herbert Booth charged Howard with public intoxication, controlled substance and Trafficking in a controlled substance.

In his report, Earlywine explained that he and Booth noticed Howard outside of his vehicle, bent over and unsteady on his feet.

"The subject (Howard) said he had gotten sick," Earlywine said as the officer approached him.

Earlywine said he noticed Howard had very glassy eyes with fixed pupils and unsteady.

Earlywine asked Howard if he had drunk anything or taken any drugs. After replying no, the officers asked for and received permission to search his person.

Once the consent was given officers found a plastic bag in the right front breast pocket, coat pocket, containing approximately 135 pills suspected to be Oxycotin.

At the time the officers found the alleged drugs, Howard told them that it was indeed Oxycotin.

In addition to the pills found during the search, which have an approximate street value of \$9720, Earlywine had \$3004 in cash in his left front pants pocket and in his wallet.

Earlywine said he asked Howard if the cash came from selling drugs and Howard responded, "yes, sir."

On a subsequent search of the 2002 Toyota gray pickup truck there were no drugs found.

Howard did tell officers that he had taken three of the pills and that was the reason he was sick.

Howard was taken to Montgomery County Detention Center by Nicholas County Jailor Jeff Sillis.



Photo by Charles Mattox

Peters earns prestigious national award

John Peters, the son of Henry and Lee Peters of Lake Carnico, has been honored with a national award for his performance.

John Peters, who is the Advancement Director at Madisonville Community College, has been selected as the 2007 Campus Impact Award winner by the Council for Resource Development in Washington D.C.

Peters is the nation's first recipient of the Impact Award.

The national award is designated to an outstanding fund raising professional who has demonstrated excellence in obtaining private support and garnering public advocacy for their respective community and/or technical college.

The award was established by the CKD to recognize excellence in support of academic endeavors.

Peters is a native of Carlisle and a 1981 graduate of the University of Kentucky. He has worked at MCC since Dec. 1990 and has held the advancement position since Oct. 1992.

During his tenure, Peters has helped lead MCC in obtaining \$21 million in gifts to support academic excellence at the college, arts and humanities programs. Peters has also helped direct support for the Joe Davis Science Building, the Shaver Family Center and the Brown Building Advanced Technology Center and scholarships.

From 1995 to 2007 Peters directed several significant gift campaigns, including two the Partners in Progress and Fulfilling the Promise, which raised \$15 million collectively.

"John has been an asset for our whole community," College Foundation Chairman Steve Cox said. "What he and Dr. Rhoads have accomplished will keep our college and Arts Center strong for many generations."

Peters will be honored by his peers across the nation at the CKD National Conference held in Washington D.C. on Nov. 1.

Peters has also been honored and praised for his leadership positions with Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Hopkins and Muhlenberg Counties, the Madisonville Rotary club, the Hopkins County Education Foundation and the General City and Madisonville Glenna Mahr for the Arts. Peters is also a University of Kentucky Fellow.

"We're mighty proud of our son," Henry Peters said.

Recognition

Bradley Brown gives information to Nicholas County Sheriff Dick Garrett following a one-vehicle accident Monday afternoon near East Union. Brown was not injured after he lost control of a 1999 Dodge Shadow.

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Suspects are on the loose

Police continue to search for two, white male suspects in the wake of a burglary near Ishmael Chapel.

According to Nicholas County Sheriff Dick Garrett and Deputy Bennie Buckler, thieves stripped copper wiring, removed stainless steel pipes, and took an air compressor from a former milking operation of Billy Ray Hunter.

"It happened last night," Garrett said Tuesday, Nov. 6. "The thieves gained entrance by kicking the door in." A possible witness said two white men in the vicinity.

"The witness described the vehicle the men were in as a red Toyota truck with a silver or white stripe running along the side," Garrett said. "The truck was a 2000 model or 99, was in fairly good condition, and was also pulling a green trailer."

Buckler said evidence had been collected from the Ishmael Chapel burglary site.

Beshear wins county

In Nicholas County 2009 voters, just a little over 37 percent of registered voters, to hand Democrat Steve Beshear a 547 margin over incumbent Republican Ernie Fletcher.

In Nicholas County Beshear collected 1253 votes for nearly 64 percent of the votes cast for governor.

Unofficial returns show that Beshear won all of the county's precincts.

Fletcher's unofficial total was 706 votes.

Gov. elect Steve Beshear and his Lt. Governor Dan Mongiardo will assume the office in January 2008.

Nicholas County voters (votes shown) mirrored the statewide ballots cast in all races. In the race for Secretary of State incumbent Trey Grayson (R) retained his seat over Bruce Hendrickson, 940-900.

Jack Conway (D) defeated Stan Lee, 1336-528 for attorney general.

Crit Lantieri (D) earned a second term for auditor defeating Linda Greenwell, 1330-507.

Todd Hollenbach (D) is defeated Melinda Wheeler, 1233-592 as treasurer.

Kelcie Farmer (D) defeated David Williams for a second term as agriculture commissioner, 1172-622.

State Rep. Carolyn Belcher claimed the Bath County judge's seat and will be replaced this December.



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