GENERAL NEWS

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

Surrender, Sorrow, and the Carving of the Notches

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

By Charles Mattox

Feb 8, 1778, at the Lower Blue Licks Spring, along the Licking River near the present Nicholas-Robertson County border.

Most of the men at the salt makers camp were still sleeping when a sentry yelled an alert that caused them to leap from their blankets, rub the sleep from their eyes, and gather their muskets and ammunition.

Someone was coming toward the camp from the south and surely it must be Captain Watkins leading a possible relief party.

As more movement was seen in the distant woods the men clustered about and grinned to one another because they thought they would soon be back in the warmth of their cabins at Fort Boonesboro after 37 days of wet, cold, grueling work.

"Hey, that looks like Cap'n Boone out in front," one of the men shouted and then with a puzzled expression asked, "I wonder where his horse is?"

Others scanned the horizon.

"That is Cap'n Boone, and it looks like a Shawnee warrior right behind him," James Callaway said, and then everyone sprang into action and loaded their muskets as they began forming up in a defensive square, typical of their earlier militia training.

From across the distance of several hundred yards the Shawnee warrior Blue Jacket walked slowly behind Captain Daniel Boone.

Boone's arms were tied behind his back and a rope was then wrapped around his bound wrists and looped around his neck and back to his wrists again.

With one hand Blue Jacket held that rope and occasionally twisted it in his hand to tighten the tension around Boone's neck.

With his other hand he kept a raised tomahawk just above Boone's head in a most menacing and threatening manner.

"I am ordering you to drop your weapons and surrender," Boone shouted to the men from a distance of 50 yards. "You are completely surrounded and outnumbered and if you do not surrender immediately you will all be killed. If you do surrender you will not be harmed."

Andrew Johnson, Nathaniel Bullock and James Callaway, flatly refused to surrender.

They began to analyze their situation as Boone continued to order them to immediately surrender.

"You will not be harmed!" Boone said again and again over the roar of curses and taunts coming from some of the men, primarily Johnson, Bullock, Callaway and Callaway's younger and wilder brother Micajah.

Another brother, Flanders, was not in the camp as he and another of Boone's scouts, Thomas Brooks, were away from camp reconnoitering elsewhere.

Boone explained to the men that he had negotiated all night with the leaders of the Shawnee and Miami warriors and the only way they and the inhabitants of Fort Boonesboro would be spared would be if the men at the salt making camp surrendered without a struggle.

"Think of your family members and your neighbors!" Boone said to them and eventually, one at a time, they threw down their weapons and surrendered.

The warriors were elated.

Chief Blackfish had just taken 28 prisoners without losing a single warrior or without even firing a shot.

He would gain much status upon his return to Chillicothe, the main village of the Cha-low-go-tha clan of the Shawnee Nation. The village was situated along the Little Miami River, near present Xenia, Ohio.

The salt makers were disarmed and stripped of many of their personal possessions.

A high-status warrior named Mun-see-ka shared command of the warriors with Blackfish and he immediately began causing problems.

It was his belief that the salt makers should instantly be put to death as revenge for the horrid way in which the Shawnee chief Cornstalk had been murdered while on a peace mission near Point Pleasant, Virginia, weeks earlier.

Besides, he had argued, these disrespectful whites were defiling the sacred blue water pememo (Lower Blue Licks Springs) and they had excavated in the very earth near the springs and contaminated the water and the woods near this holy and sacred Shawnee place.

Several warriors also

See MATTOX Page 6

TORNADO

Continued from Page 1

the night with his daughter in Paris and returned in the morning.

According to Calvin Denton, Nicholas County Emergency Management Director, approximately 10 properties received damage along old US 68 in Ellisville.

"Three or four houses had roof damage and several outbuilding were destroyed," said Denton, who responded with two of the county's search and rescue personnel. "A barn was also extensively damaged and approximately 12 homes were without electricity due to the storm."

Denton returned to the scene later in the week with Joe Sullivan of the National Weather Service. Together they assessed the damage and took measurements and directions of the debris field.

Trees were toppled with some being twisted in half as the winds cut a path of destruction along old US 68.

Members of the Nicholas County Fire Department also responded to the area just after the storm.

Neighbors cleaning up debris said they found boards that had been driven nearly two feet in the ground by the strong winds.

David Dunn and a friend began patching up the roof and removing a large tree that struck a glancing blow across the front of the Dunn house as the wind toppled it during the storm.

"The cleanup will probably take a while, maybe a couple of weeks," he said as he surveyed the damage noting the twisted partial remains of a heavy wooden swing set that had been thrown over 35 yards. "There's pieces of it everywhere."

Many respected the destructive power of the storm while they made minor repairs and planned for major ones.

"It could have been worse," Alvin White said, as he paused while reattaching his satellite system, perhaps thinking of the roaring sound he said he heard as the strong winds tore across his property, ripping a sizable portion of his roof away. "It could have been a lot worse."

Denton and Sullivan noted other damage within Nicholas County.

"There was damage to some barns and houses along Short Stony Road," Denton said.

"Two barns were blown over, a front porch was torn off of a house and a garage was destroyed."

Bill Scalf
Sales & Leasing Consultant

Come See Bill For A Great Deal!

BILL SCALF
Sales & Leasing Consultant

DAN CUMMINS
CHEVROLET • BUICK • PONTIAC
1020 PARIS BY PASS • PARIS, KY 40361
www.dancummins.com
(859) 987-4345
(800) 467-6969

LOOK AT THIS WEEKS DEAL

1994 Toyota Tacoma Extended Cab, 4WD, 5 Speed
$4,900 plus t.t.t

CREDIT PROBLEMS?
Need a loan?
We can help.
(800) 455 2124
Call now.

Truck, SUV & Van Sell Off

2008 Chevy Colorado
Crew Cab, Automatic, CD, #8-544
$17,649*

2008 Chevy Silverado
2500 HD, Crew Cab, Duramax Diesel, Allison Auto., Z71 Off Road, HD Trailering, LT Pkg., Full of features, full of power, 8-527
$38,980*

2008 Chevy Silverado
1500, Ext Cab, 4x4, Leather Power Seats, Bose Audio, Towing Pkg, Loaded, 8-511
$29,980*

2008 Chevy Silverado
2500HD, Duramax Diesel, Allison Automatic, AC, OnStar, #8-533
$29,992*

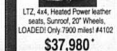
2008 Chevy Colorado LT
Extended Cab, 4x4, Chrome Wheels, Automatic, Power Windows, Keyless Entry, #8-500
$19,680*

'06 Chevy Silverado

1500 LT, Ext Cab 4x4, Keyless Entry, Bedliner, Towing, 17" Alum. Wheels, Power windows, #7200
$22,980*

'07 Dodge Durango

SLT, All Wheel Drive, 3rd Row Seat, Local trade-in, loaded with features, #6629
$19,980*

'07 Chevy Silverado

LT, Ext Cab, 2WD, V8, Power Windows, Keyless Entry, Tow Pkg, 22k, Nice truck, #5179
$19,980*

'07 Chevy Silverado

Reg Cab Work Truck, 4.3L V6, Automatic, AC, Bedliner, #6701
$15,990*

'06 Chevy Silverado

1500 HD, Crew Cab, 13k mi, LT1 Pkg, 6.0L V8, HD Trailering Pkg, XM Radio, Full of features, #1296
$25,680*

'06 Dodge Dakota

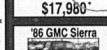
Quad Cab SLT, Keyless Entry, V8 Magnum, Alum Wheels, Bedliner, Loaded, #6234
$19,980*

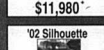
'07 Chevy Avalanche

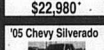
LTZ, 4x4, Heated Power leather seats, Sunroof, 20" Wheels, LOADED! Only 7900 miles! #4102
$37,980*

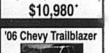
'06 Chevy Silverado

1500 LT, Ext Cab 2WD, Keyless Entry, 17" Aluminum Wheels, Cruise, CD, #9111
$17,980*

'05 Chevy Colorado

Crew Cab LS, Push Button 4x4, Bedliner, Full of features, #9661
$17,980*

'05 Buick Rendezvous

CXL, Leather, Rear Park Assist, 3rd Row Seat, #8342
$11,980*

'05 Chevy Suburban

LT, Sunroof, Leather, 4x4, Loaded, #4213
$22,980*

'04 Mitsubishi Endeavor

XLS, All Wheel Drive, CD, Keyless Entry, Loaded, #3913
$10,980*

'86 GMC Sierra

Reg Cab, 4x4, Runs Great, #2359
$2,995*

'02 Silhouette

Dual pwr. Sliding doors, Rear DVD, Leather Captains Chairs, Fully loaded, 72k, #9711
$179* month w/ NO MONEY DOWN!

'05 Chevy Silverado

Z71, 5.3L V8, 4WD, Pwr windows, Chrome Side Steps, Keyless Entry, Power Seat, 34k, #9035
$19,980*

'06 Chevy Trailblazer

LT, Sunroof, 4WD, Rear DVD, Tow Pkg, #5638
$16,980*

'03 Dodge Ram

1500 SLT, 5.7L V8 HEMI, 4x4 Off Road Pkg, only 54k, #0083
$17,630*

'02 Chevy Trailblazer

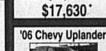
LS, 4X4, Power Windows, Power Locks, Keyless Entry, #696A
$9,995*

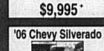
'01 Chevy Silverado

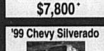
Automatic, Work Truck, 4.3L V6, Bedliner, 84k, #2358
$7,800*

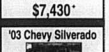
'99 Dodge Ram

1500 SLT, Club Cab, 4x4, Bedliner, Power Windows, Nice Truck, #4665
$7,430*

'06 Chevy Uplander

LS, Rear DVD, Power Windows, Keyless Entry, #0331
$13,980*

'06 Chevy Silverado

1500 LT, Ext cab, 2WD, 17" Wheels, 4.8L V8, low miles, A great truck, #9210
$17,980*

'99 Chevy Silverado

1500, 4x4, Automatic, Bedliner, Tow Pkg, Long Bed, 82k, #0489
$11,900*

'03 Chevy Silverado

2500 HD, Duramax Diesel, Allison Automatic, Ext Cab, Chrome Side Steps, Loaded, #0003
$17,980*

'06 Chevy Equinox

LT, Power Windows, 3.4L V6, Cruise, CD/MP3, 26K, #1813
$16,720*

'02 Olds Bravada

All Wheel Drive, Sunroof, Power leather Heated Seats, Bose Audio, 94k, #3576
$7,890*

'97 Chevy Silverado

1500 LS, 4x4, Ext Cab, Fiberglass bedcover, sharp accessories, excellent condition, #3159
$7,995*

'99 Chevy Silverado

1500, 4x4, Ext Cab, 20" Wheels, Accessory upgrades, Sharp, #5881
$8,800*

DAN CUMMINS
PARIS, KY
CHEV • BUICK • PONT
Since 1936
1020 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. • Paris, KY
859-987-4345 or 1-800-467-6969 • e-mail: sales@dancummins.com
www.dancummins.com

"Designed for Action" PONTIAC Buick Beyond Precision AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION

100's in stock
visit
www.dancummins.com

TENTH FRAME CINEMA
930 Camargo Road
Mt. Sterling, KY
http://www.tenthframe.com
859-497-2518
EVENING SHOWS: 6 P.M. AND AFTER
Under Age 12 & Seniors - $5.50
Adults $7.00
MATINEE: BEFORE 6 P.M.
Under 12 & Seniors - $3.50, Adults $4.50
ALWAYS
Children 2 and under FREE
FEB 8TH- FEB 13TH
Let's Go to the Movies
UNTRACEABLE 9:45 R
THE BUCKET LIST 1:35, 4:20, 7:05, 9:45 PG-13
MEET THE SPARTANS 1:45, 4:40, 7:35, 10:00 PG-13
RAMBO 1:20, 4:30, 7:30, 9:50 R
27 DRESSES 1:10, 4:25, 7:15 PG-13
FOOLS GOLD 1:05, 4:10, 7:25, 9:55 PG-13
WELCOME HOME ROSECOE JENKINS 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40 PG-13
OVER HER DEAD BODY 1:30, 4:35, 7:20, 9:35 PG-13
THE EYE 1:40, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40 PG-13
STERLING LANES
COSMIC BOWLING
FRI. & SAT. MIDNIGHT - 3 AM
BOOK YOUR BIRTHDAY PARTY OR GROUP
CALL FOR RESERVATIONS
859-498-7755

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor,

Two weeks ago my son Jaiden and his father's home was burglarized. The incident in itself was a shame. I'm sure my son never gave those two boys any problems, so why would they go into his bedroom and violate his security by taking his belongings. I'm sure that given the chance that wouldn't have been all they would have stolen.

I also could throw out if's, ands, and buts about what if my son had been alone in the house. How many burglaries result in assault or murder? The statistics speak for themselves. We all as citizens have a right to protect our property and ourselves and that of our neighbors if ask. I'm glad no one was hurt during this crime; as I know how it feels to almost loose a son. Parents will defend their children and try to protect them throughout life.

But if your child is out committing a crime that he knows is wrong and takes the change on getting hurt then they must pay for that mistake. No, we are not perfect but they intentionally chose to go there and do what they did.

As far as them getting shot at, they weren't just innocent people driving by, they were in the act of committing a crime. I remember well when I was growing up in Myers Station and someone beat my uncle with a ball bat, and left him for dead in a creek. If it hadn't been for a neighbor he would have died. That is why we should protect each other's and ourselves from those who wish to do harm to people who are trying to live a decent life.

Pam King
Carlisle

Editor,

R. J. Palmer supports domestic partner benefits.

This week the Kentucky senate bill 112 passed 30 to 5. This bill would prevent our state universities from offering domestic partner benefits. Guess who the five opposing votes were? Non other than our R. J. Palmer, Ernesto Scorsone, Lexington,• Denise Angel, Louisville, Gerald Neal, Louisville, and Tim Shaughnesay, Louisville. These five seem to think our tax dollars should pay for domestic benefits at our universities.

I was not surprised at this vote from Scorsone who is openly gay or the three liberals from Louisville. I am surprised however that our representative R. J. Palmer would vote against a bill which would prevent our tax money from being spent on benefits for sin. The voters of Kentucky voted for a marriage protection, bill, this should tell Mr. Palmer we oppose any support of domestic partner benefits. Our governor has also said he is in favor of domestic partner benefits and stated he would veto bill 112. I urge you to contact your representative Mr. Palmer and our governor and let them know you do know wish to see marriage undermined in this manner.

Margie Walling

Editor,

Marion Kearns and his family are upstanding citizens of the community Marion is a easy going mild tempered man, he stays home and does not bother anyone, unless he is pushed and pushed to his limit. Marion likes young people he just doesn't like thieves. He can't run from his own home.

If Brandon has a daughter why wasn't he at working at a normal job and sitting an example for her? Instead he's teaching her to steal. I would hope he has enough sense not to take her on a stealing job and yes he must be guilty or he would not have the play station in his truck.

It doesn't matter if you get the license plate number the police will just tell you they cannot arrest the vehicle, that's what we were told a few years ago.

I believe Marion did what he had to do everyone in this community should back him up. Let him be an example to all of us. Take a stand and protect your own and your neighbors.

Sheila W. Fryman

Editor,

In some recent letters there has been a lot of negative and slanderous remarks made about my neighbor. I have known him several years and he has been a good friend and an asset to the community.

When the parents of these two young men who did the stealing look into the mirror they will see who is responsible. Then they can quit blaming everything and everybody for their failure to raise these to boys in live in a civil society.

William C. Loyer

Editor,

Many of us for the last few weeks have watched with interest the letters to the editor regarding the alleged home invasion, robbery and the resulting home defense in East Union.

We have known Mr. Kearns for decades. His honesty and integrity are beyond reproach. He is an asset to these neighbors, his community, his church and his family. For anyone to sug-

See LETTERS Page 4

OBITUARIES

Helen Scott
1929 – 2008

Helen Scott, 78, of Moorefield Road died Feb. 1, 2008.

She was born in Nicholas Co. Dec. 24, 1929 to the late Clay and Norma Snelling Scott. She was a private and commercial pilot. She worked with the Orlando Police Department for several years. She was also a former employee of Carson Mott Insurance.

She loved genealogy and was an avid NASCAR fan. She worked at the Carlisle Cemetary taking care of family graves and putting flowers on graves.

She is survived by 3 sisters, Willa Mae Scott of Carlisle, Betty Kearney and Patsy Cox, both of Lexington.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 3, 2008 at Clark Funeral Home with Rev. Steve Smith officiating. Clark Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

A Service To Meet Your Needs
Clark Funeral Home
289-5500
Compassionate and Caring

Nicholas County Diabetes Coalition
SWEETHEART BALL
SATURDAY, FEB. 9, 2008
Carnico Country Club
8 p.m. until 12 midnight
Semi-Formal Dress
Music by City Limits
Single $20 Couple $35
All Proceeds Go To
Nicholas County Diabetes Coalition
Emergency Fund
Tickets may be purchased from a member of the Diabetes Coalition, at The Carlisle Mercury or at the door the night of the Ball
Door Prizes Finger Food
Make This Valentine's Day Something Special

TAKE THE MONEY AND RUN
You might even want to hop, skip and jump a little.
Our tax professionals will help you get more money back, as fast as possible, and with less hassle.
Please call for an appointment today!
859-289-5566
Office hours Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Other times available by appointment
Donna J. Hendrix, PSC, CPA
101 West Main Street, Carlisle
Member KYCPA & AICPA

3 DAY Sale
Friday, Saturday, Sunday - Feb. 8, 9, 10
Butternut Lg. Loaf Bread 2 for $3
Webber Sausage and Biscuits 20 ct. $3.99
Webber Sausage Patties 24 ct. $4.49
IGA Vegetable Oil 48 oz. 2 for $5
Pepsi Products 24 pack $5.79
Lays Potato Chips 11 oz. 2 for $4
Double Q Salmon 14.34 can oz. $1.49
Jersey Farm Cottage Cheese 24 oz. 2 for $5
Red Gold Tomato Juice 46 oz. Limit 2 $.89
Classic Salad 3 for $4 1 lb.
Deli Kahns bologna $1.99 lb.
Van Camp Pork Beans 15 oz. 2 for $1
CROCKETT'S IGA
IGA HOMETOWN PROUD
Market St. • Carlisle
Grocery: 859-289-5433
Deli: 859-289-5788