

GENERAL NEWS

Mt. Sterling man's charges bound over

A Mt. Sterling man has his grand jury charges bound over to the grand jury following his preliminary hearing in Nicholas District Court Jan. 10.

Special Judge the Honorable William Probst had the charge of traffic in violation of a controlled substance, first degree, against Michael Wayne Howard, 39, of Mt. Sterling, bound over to the grand jury following testimony from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Officer William Earlywine and Nicholas County Attorney Dawn Letzler.

Earlywine and Letzler testified that Howard late on the evening of Nov. 2, 2007, on Holler Lane in rural Nicholas County after finding over 100 oxcorten pills and over \$3,000 cash on and over.

Earlywine was the only witness called to testify during the preliminary hearing, and did so on behalf of the County Attorney for Nicholas County, Dawn Letzler.

Earlywine testified that the man "approximately 30-40 feet behind the truck," and when asked during the hearing if he thought Howard was outside the vehicle because he was sick and vomiting, Earlywine answered, "He appeared to be."

When they approached the man, Earlywine said Howard appeared unsteady on his feet and appeared sick and stated he was diabetic.

Pollard enters not guilty plea in double murder

By Charles Mattox New Editor charles@thecarlislemercury.com

A Lewis County man entered a plea of not guilty in Fleming District Court last week for the murders of a Fleming County man and his aunt.

Polk Pollard Jr., 36, of Emerson, in Lewis County, who police say murdered William Thompson, 52, who lived next door to his Sugar Tree Road residence in northern Fleming County, appeared via video arraignment and entered a plea of not guilty in Fleming District Court last week.

Public Defender Tom Griffitts will represent Pollard.

Pollard allegedly shot Jason Thompson and then shot his aunt, who he attempted to give aid and comfort to her wounded nephew as he called for help.

Guilty

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Spencer sitting along with the other side.

Spencer was armed with an Old Timer pocket knife, which he stabbed Buckler in the chest the wound penetrated a lung, which filled with four pints of Buckler's blood, according to testimony.

There were no breaches in security.

Buckler family members praised the efforts of Kentucky State Police Detective Toby Gardner, who led the investigation, and they praised the efforts of Henderson.

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Neal Center welcomes newest donation

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The newest addition to the wonderful historical displays in the Neel Welcome Center is a unique historical artifact that was once found in abundance on Nicholas County farms.

An oxen yoke, that can be traced back to the 1800s and, which was owned by a family that once lived and farmed on Stony Creek, has been donated to the Nicholas County Historical Society.

Bobby Anderson, son of the late Robert E. Anderson and Elsie D. Anderson, welcomed the new donation with a warm smile.

Bob Anderson explained that it took approximately half and half years to find the right person who could accurately craft the wooden collar.

Eventually, after Anderson had nearly exhausted all of his search efforts, he contacted Nicholas County native and NCHS graduate Sid Holler, who with Mark Ross and the wood used in Mercer County, worked together to design and make the collar and the wooden pins necessary for holding the collar in place.

Carlisle Council holds short meeting

Members of the Carlisle City Council met Monday night Jan. 14 and even though the meeting was one of the shortest in recent memory, council members decided not to make Mulberry Street a one-way street from Broadway to Locust Street, as had been previously discussed.

The first reading of a bond ordinance for the city's new fire truck was held with a special meeting called for Jan. 28 to further discuss the ordinance and make the second reading.

The topic of Carlisle City Policemen vigorously enforcing speeding zones within the city was discussed briefly, but no action was taken.

Court okays sheriff's budget

Members of the Nicholas County Fiscal Court unanimously approved Sheriff Dick Garrett's budget for the 2008 fiscal year by a 5-0 vote.

On a motion from Magistrate Jeff Bandolph, which was seconded by Magistrate Mike Webb.

Garrett explained that his budget was up from last year, but he also explained that his office has qualified for a grant advancement in pay that had increased from \$2,000 in previous years, to \$5,000 this year.

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Earlywine testified, and recorded on Howard's arrest citation, that \$3,094 in cash was found in Howard's pants pocket.

"I asked him if he was regarding Howard's location when the officers saw him, Buckler also answered questions about a female occupant of the truck and the specific location of where of

Cofer still seeing positives

By Wade Holland wade@thecarlislemercury.com

Despite the record, which includes just two wins through the first two months of the season, Nicholas County second-year coach Michael Cofer is still able to find positives in the performance of his Blue Jackets.

After watching his team battle district-rival Deming to the wire on January 10, Cofer said he was pleased with the effort and progress his team is currently making.

"We're battling hard. And we're playing pretty well right now as a team," he said. "We're being a lot more scrappy, which is how I'd like to see us play. But we've got to cut down on the mental mistakes. And that's what's the best us the last few games are mental mistakes. Once we cut down on those, we'll be fine. It's all part of the learning process. And that's that young teams do, they go through the learning process. And hopefully, we'll learn from our mistakes."

With a 4-0 run to start the second quarter when the Devils went on an 8-0 run to take a double-digit lead, 20-0. But after a technical foul on Cofer, the Bluejackets had a positive reaction to the adversity and cut the lead back to six, 22-16, on a three-point play by Campbell and a 3-point by Tyler.

But Deming ran the next four points to retake a double-digit advantage and was still in control, 33-25, at the intermission.

With a 4-0 run to start the second half, Deming stretched its lead back to 42-25, before Purvis hit a 3-pointer and Campbell followed with a jumper to pull the Bluejackets within seven, 37-30.

But Deming surged to a 19-point advantage, 45-32, before Nicholas County scored the final three points of the third quarter to cut the deficit to seven, 45-38, with the game tied at 45-45.

Deming also provided Mayor Clark and council members with his monthly report.

Carlisle Police Officers arrested 236 calls for service in December and made 18 arrests and filed seven accident reports.

Traffic related arrests led the list with 23, with eight related arrests total. 13 Carlisle Police Officers cleared 13 cases and opened 124 new ones, according to the report. They also issued 18 citations and served nine warrants.

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Boquick however called no witnesses to testify on behalf of his client. Judge Probst ruled that probable cause had been established for the drug trafficking charge against Howard and ordered the charges to be bound over. He also ordered that Howard's bond remain the same.

Nicholas County Lady Jackets had a late rally by the Model Lady Patrons for a 46-40 win Friday in Richmond. Nicholas County coach Jennifer Corbett was happy with the win, but not pleased with the way her team finished the game after having a comfortable lead early on. She was especially displeased with her team's turnovers in the final two minutes.

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Lady Jackets claim win

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Model ended the first period on a 7-0 run to cut the Nicholas County advantage to one, 8-7. Nicholas County continued to have the hot hand in the second quarter and scored the first four points of the quarter to go up 12-7. Leading by only three, Nicholas County got a 3-pointer from Gillenew and finished the half to extend the Lady Jackets' lead to 15-9.

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