

OPINION

Steve's Report

Without a doubt, autumn is my favorite time of the year. I step out of the front door in the morning into the crisp air and it wakes up all my senses. My eyes are dazzled by the transformation of the uniform greens of summer into a surprising variety of colors - bright golds, vibrant oranges, and startling reds - gradually fading into various earthy shades of brown.

It's not just the leaves that put on bright colors. The faces that greet me as I walk up the sidewalk towards downtown Carlisle put on a healthy blush in the chilly air. And there's no shortage of fluorescent orange this time of year.

Dad would take us out bow hunting in the fall. He had a 50 lb. long bow, and my brothers and I each had 35 lb. recurve bows. They really weren't powerful enough for serious deer hunting, but I'm pretty sure that taking a deer wasn't Dad's main reason for taking us hunting.

It was the whole experience. Hours before sunrise, we'd gather at a diner that opened early for the hunters to enjoy a big, hot breakfast - to give us plenty of energy and to help us stay warm. Hunters share a common bond. Before long, complete strangers would be enthusiastically swapping tales with each other about the previous year's adventures and comparing notes on the best places to hunt and the best bows.

Finally, we'd get out into the woods. Dad would find deer tracks and show us how the deer left prints that were deeper at the toe while the backs walked heavily towards the back of the hoof. He taught us how to distinguish between fresh track and one that is older. He would lead us into thickets and have us figure out how many deer had been there.

I sensed the seriousness of this sacred ritual, all of us remaining as silent as possible. Dad barely speaking above a whisper. I sat there spellbound, amazed at how much my father knew. I imagined his father had taught him these lessons in much the same way, and his father would sit and spy on



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before him, generation upon generation, back to a time before time. And now it was my turn to participate in this age-old rite of passage from childhood into manhood. I never was much of a hunter, though. The first time I spotted a deer while hunting, I got so excited that I made a terrible racket - my bow rattling around in nearby branches as I scrambled around. The little doe was probably in the next county already when by the time I finally got around to nocking my arrow. The other hunters in our group remained patient, and when we got back home were telling the story of how I nearly got my first deer, rather than the more accurate version of how I single-handedly spared the entire deer population that day by driving every last one of them miles away from the closest hunter.

But like I said, it was more about the hunt than it was about the kill. I loved being out in nature, seeing the leaves drifting silently to the ground and enjoying their clean smell and the rustling sound as we hiked through the woods. I would sit and spy on

the rabbits, the squirrels and the raccoons for hours, until my lips were blue and my teeth were chattering. Dad always seemed to do things like this here at our own hometown. If you didn't go this year he, sure you get next year. I reached for it in my pocket. It was gone. I knew that I must have dropped it in the store, so I drove back to town, thinking all the while that it was very unlikely that if found, the money would turn in. I just hoped that whoever had found it, would put it to good use. I went to the check out counter, where I checked out and asked if perhaps the money had been found and she smiled and said, 'Yes, I was told that a nice lady named 'Bonnie Mitchell' found the money. I really knew nothing about her except her name but what she did tell me a lot about her. She wanted nothing more than to get this money returned to whom it rightfully belonged to. This tells me that she lives by the Golden Rule and is one of God's servants. I wonder how many good deeds she has done for others through out her life. I wonder how many have gone unmentioned.

I want to meet this lady and personally thank her. Nicholas County is blessed to have citizens like Bonnie Mitchell among us. And in the future, what ever it is that I am trying to do, I hope that I can recruit like her to my team.

Sincerely, Betty Morford Carlisle, Ky

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor,

I would like to thank everyone who worked at the busshed jail. This takes a lot of time and hard work. It is nice to have something like this here at our own hometown. If you didn't go this year he, sure you get next year.

Thanks, Karen Way Carlisle, Ky

Editor,

In the midst of all the meanness and dishonesty that we read about, good deeds and acts of kindness, occur every day also. I have always heard that had news travels fast and the good news just never catches up. I would like to see that changed and I would like to start by sharing with your readers, a very positive experience that I had last Saturday, that has restored my faith in humanity.

I was on my way to the grocery, when one of my tenants, paid me \$200.00 in cash. I wasn't carrying a purse, so I just put the money in my pocket and continued on to the grocery. I bought my groceries and returned home. A few hours later, I remembered the money, but when

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Mercury Memories

35 years ago Nov. 10, 1983

The Blue Jackets are gearing up to meet Beechwood Friday night, Nicholas County's all time leading scorer, Robert Hopkins, named 1,313 yards in 246 carries and 104 points to surpass David McGuffey's single season mark. Hopkins has amassed 2,428 total yards in his junior and senior year. The second leading scorer on the team is Eric McGuffey who has 783 points Quarterback Steve Anderson has 1,371 all-purpose yards thus far and the Blue Jackets are 7-3 this season. Coach Ben Humphrey said he is very proud of the team.

105 years ago Nov. 19, 1903

The Nicholas County Blue Jackets beat St. Pat Tuesday night by a score of 64-48 with Billy Mac Gaunce scoring 17 points and grabbing a whooping 42 rebounds. When local residents were asked the top five books they would like to have with them if they were stranded on a desert island, each person asked chose The Bible as their top pick.

75 years ago Nov. 16, 1933

Andrew Fox, 27-year-old Maysville prosecutor was acquitted of the murder of his parents in Harrison Circuit Court Friday night at the end of a jury trial.

50 years ago Nov. 13, 1958

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Fish and Game Club has announced a "Big Court day" for Nov. 16. The event will take place at the Fish and Game clubhouse at Hickory Ridge Road, three miles from Carlisle.

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The jury deliberated four hours before acquitting Fox of the murder of his parents, who were found dead in their home that was ablaze on the night of April 26.

The parents were found in their beds and their cause of death could not be conclusively identified. Many friends and family members of Andrew Fox attested to his good character during the trial.

128 years ago Nov. 18, 1880

Rev. B.P. Rickert will preach the Thanksgiving sermon at the Baptist Church. John Armstrong has opened a watch repair shop in part of Dr. McNew's office over McMahill's. T.A. Johnson, owner of St. Cloud Hotel has announced that the rate for room and lodging for a day is \$1.50.

Julian Howe has taken a position with Paris Gas and Light Company. Turkey buyers are paying 12 and 13 cents per pound for Thanksgiving birds.

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Twenty residents of Moorefield, including the

families of John Gossett, W.A. Trumbo and Charles Gossett left for Oklahoma last week to make new homes.

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Ethan Smith age 14 son of Chuck and Christy Smith, shot his first deer of the season on his grandfather's farm located on Cane Run. It was a 6 point buck.

Soper Drug will be hosting an insurance agent that will go over "your" questions about, Part D Medicare and/or Part C Medicare and/or Medicare Gap Policies November 19th & 20th 8:00 am til 5:00 pm Come in and get "your" questions answered and sign up for the plan of "your" choice. Jim Gates is here to provide information and sign-up Medicare Beneficiaries for the plan of their choice.

AUCTION Thursday, November 13 6:00 p.m. TO BE HELD AT THE MARK MATTOX AUCTION CENTER AT 3740 MAYSVILLE ROAD, CARLISLE, KY Selection of Coca-Cola Town Square Christmas Villages, collector cookie jars, collector Barbies, new porcelain dolls, household items and furniture, and more.

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Dear Voters. I just want to take a moment to thank everyone for electing me to the office of Family Court Judge. Every vote in every county is important to me and I thank you all for voting.

I am honored to have the opportunity and privilege to serve as your next Family Court Judge.

Thank you for putting your trust in me. This is a responsibility that I take seriously.

I want to assure everyone that I will do the best I can for every family in all four of my counties and carry on the excellent work of our first Family Court Judge, Hon. David Melcher.

Again, thank you, Pendleton, Harrison, Nicholas and Robertson County Voters, so much. I am truly grateful.

Sincerely, Barbara Paul Family Court Judge Elect

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