

Steve's Report



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By Steve Scalf

Last week, I finally did something I've been itching to do ever since we moved here - I bought my first pickup truck. This brought comments from my friends like, "NOW you can say you're from Kentucky," or, "It's about time a man's got to have a pickup." There is something about having a pickup that is beyond description. It feels good. It feels right.

Buying a pickup truck locally was quite different from anything I had experienced before. We saw the pickup sitting out in front of Fred Burdawn's and stopped to check it out. Next thing you know, Fred handed me the keys and told me to take the car overnight, drive it around and to stop by the next day to tell me what we thought.

I didn't sign a paper; he didn't make a copy of my driver's license; he just handed me the keys and sent me on my way with the simple explanation, "This is Carlisle."

I couldn't help comparing this to the time

were willing to make a deal. I just needed to show up on Saturday with my trade-in and sign the paperwork. When I got there, the salesman was waiting for me. He handed my car keys to a mechanic, who drove off to "prep my car for immediate re-sale" and then invited me over to his desk to take care of the paperwork. Everything was as nice as nice could be.

He even offered me coffee and doughnuts. Then he gave me that slick, fake smile and said, "Now, what car were you interested in?" Confused, I explained that we had already selected the minivan we previewed week and made our offer. I reminded him of his phone call, that he said all I needed to do was sign the paperwork.

The salesman acted apologetic and said he needed to discuss the situation with his sales manager. 30 minutes later, he apologized, explaining he had gone to bat for us, but the sales manager had refused our offer. "But it's a matter of payments," he countered, "We can work

a deal to help lower the payments." I knew that they were doing. That I saw the salesman watching a baseball game with the sales manager. I went back to the salesman's desk, picked up the phone and dialed "911." I explained to the dispatcher that I was at Perkins Chrysler-Plymouth being held against my will - that I had been trying to get my car back for an hour-and-a-half and they refused to let me leave.

Less than five minutes later, not just one, but four squad cars drove up, lights flashing and sirens blaring, followed closely by a news crew from the local television station. One policeman came inside and called out, "Mr. Scalf?" "That's me," I responded. "What seems to be the problem?" the officer asked. "I'm trying to leave and they won't give me my car keys. I'm being held against my will."

By this time, every salesperson, the sales manager, the news cameras and most of the customers had gathered. Even Will Perkins himself came halfway downstairs from his second floor office to see what was going on. The officer asked the manager, "Do you have this man's keys?" The manager stammered, "Uh... just a minute later, a mechanic drove up in my car and handed me the keys."

The officer asked if I wanted to press charges and I told him I just wanted to go home. "Are you sure?" he asked. I assured him I was fine and just wanted to leave. But as I was heading out the door, I couldn't resist hammering it up a little for the news camera. I turned, smiled, gave a big thumbs-up and said, "Way To Go, Perkins!"

When you buy from a small-town dealer, you may not always get as wide a selection as you would at a big dealership, but when it comes to service, honesty, and willingness to work with the customer, you can't beat buying local.

And that's my two cents, Steve Scalf

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Get Rid of Your Waste Tires!

April 30th, May 1st & May 2nd 2009
8:00 A.M. To 4:30 P.M.
at State Highway Department
324 N. Walnut St.
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All tires including those on rims will be accepted. Tires NOT accepted are foam filled tires, off road construction equipment tires and solid tires with pressed on rims. Eligible participants does not include tire retailers & agricultural tire retailers.

If you have any questions please call
The County Judge/Executive
Office: 859-289-3725 or 859-289-3765.
THIS MAY BE OUR LAST CHANCE!

Tracing Your Family Tree - How To Begin

LEARN TO RESEARCH YOUR ANCESTRY

The Nicholas County Public Library and the Courthouse Arts Guild

Invite you a
Free Seminar on Beginning Genealogy
Friday, May 8, 2009
6-8 p.m.
at the
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Learn all about...
...Filling Out Forms, Pedigree charts, family group sheets, genealogy software.
...Organizing Your Work, genealogical numbering and filing systems.
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...Conducting Original Research, finding historical documents & other sources of family data.

Spaces are limited, so please call 289-5595 no later than May 5.
Research Kits will be provided

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

April 15
- Day Time Red Hatters will be out on Saturday during Holy Week.
- Day Time Red Hatters will meet Wednesday, April 15, at Capronis in Mayville at 12 o'clock. We will have Becky's by 11 o'clock.

April 16
- Chamber of Commerce - The Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a community assessment at the Nicholas County Health Department.

April 16
- Public room on Thursday.
- Apr. 16. A complimentary light lunch (catered by Carlisle Cafe and compliments of the Chamber of Commerce) will be served from 9:00 to 1:00 p.m., followed by the program from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Please mark your calendars and invite others to attend.
- To assist in organizing the lunch, please call Robert Barker at (859) 473-0552.

April 15
- Moorefield United Methodist Church - The Moorefield United Methodist Church will present an Easter play called "Easter in Cricket County" Sunday April 13th at 6:00 p.m. This is what

some will call a Hillbilly Family comedy that ends with the Easter Story.
April 23-25
April 21
- Democratic Womens Club - Democratic Womens Club and the Executive Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. April 21st at the courthouse in the small courtroom and Bonnie Opler will be the Guest Speaker.

April 23, 24 & 25
- Barterville United Methodist Church - Barterville United Methodist Church invites you to attend revival evangelist Bro. James Hickerson. First time in four area for revival at April 23, 24, 25 special singing starts at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Headquarters Choir, Friday Donna Dugas and Keith Smith, Saturday Rose Hill Choir.
May 1
- EMS Class - Emergency Medical Technician Class. Begins May 1st at the Nicholas County Health Department. Call 859-608-6617 or 859-473-1856 for registration.

May 7 & 9
- Saint Edward Altar Society Yard Sale - The Saint Edward Altar

Society of Cynthia, KY, will hold their 3rd Annual Yard Sale May 7, 8, & 9, at the Florence Tobacco Warehouse, Republican Rd. (Ky Hwy 392 & Oddville Pike (US Hwy 62 E). Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday and from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday. We will have available baby and children items, toys, clothing, appliances and electrical items in working condition, clean bedding, household & glassware items. Some antiques may be available. For more information on St. Edward Church, go to www.stedward.org. We appreciate your support and look forward to another great year!! One man's junk is another man's treasure!

Project Graduation to meet on Mondays
Project Graduation will be having a meeting every Monday at the High School Library at 6:00 p.m. For more information contact Paula Hunter at 859-289-3702.

Blue Lick Lodge #495
F & A.M. to hold meeting
The Blue Lick Lodge #495 F & A.M. meets the last Saturday of each month at 7:30 P.M. All Master Masons are welcome to attend.

Orient Lodge #500
to hold meeting
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Thank You
The Family of Shane Hughes would like to say thank you to everyone for their thoughts, prayers, condolences, flowers, cards, food and support during this difficult time. A special thank you to the Nicholas County Ambulance Service, Nelly George for her dedication and compassion. The Nicholas County Hospital Emergency Room, Dr. Brandt, St. Joseph Hospital (CPM staff), Air Medical, Mothers of Grace Funeral Home, The Assembly of God Church, Brother Carroll & Anna, Section Dr. Sharon Workman, New Beginnings Christian Academy (Students, teachers or their families) and all of the friends and family that gave a kind word as well as Shane's many lifeline phone calls. God Bless you All!
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Dogs available for adoption
Nicholas County Animal Welfare Society has dogs available for adoption. 473-2714 or www.ncawso.org.

Dougherty Lodge #65
F.A.M.
Dougherty Lodge #65 meets the second Friday at 7:30 p.m. about the Mathers Gaunce Funeral Home. All masters members are welcomed to attend.

Johnson Mathers Health Care Auxiliary meets second Tuesday
The Johnson Mathers Health Care Auxiliary meets the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the hospital dining room. Anyone interested in joining the auxiliary is welcome.

Diabetes self-management classes
The WEDCO District Health Department will be hosting Diabetes Self-Management education classes.

Kiwanis Club to meet
Kiwanis Club will meet the third Thursday of every month at the Carnico Country Club. For more information call Mike Warner at 859-289-4699.

AA meetings held
AA meetings are held every Tuesday at 8 p.m., except the third Tuesday of the month is at 7 p.m. in the Sparks Room of the Nicholas County Health Department.

If you have a community announcement, please bring it to The Carlisle Mercury at 218 North Locust. You can email it to editor@thecarlislemercury.com. You can fax it to 859-289-4000.

Center News
The Adult Learning Center offers a flexible schedule and personalized instruction to help students successfully complete their GED. The center offers students the opportunity to study at their own pace and on their own schedule. Interested persons may stop by anytime, between the hours 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays.

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4-H Camp

The Nicholas County 4-H Program will be attending Camp Friday, June 19- Sunday, June 21, 2009.

Registration forms are available at the Nicholas Co. Extension Office, 368 East Main Street, Carlisle. Deadline to receive applications is June. Cost is \$100.00 per child.

(Anyone interested in applying for a scholarship, applications are due May 18.)

For more information please call 859-289-2312

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