

# Steve's Report

This past Thursday afternoon, I packed up my gear and went camping with the Boy Scouts. "Why," you may ask, "would anyone want to spend three days and two nights with a bunch of hyperactive boys?" Well, that's kind of why I waited until Thursday afternoon to start packing. It wasn't just that I was dreading the idea of trying to keep up with boys about one-fourth my age. All week long I had watched the sky open up with thunder and lightning and dump buckets of rain, and thought, "Oh, boy! I can hardly wait to be out in those storms..."

It kept thinking about all those many, many times in the Army when my



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By Steve Scalf

unit would be "out in the field" taking part in a military exercise. Over the past 25 years, the Army has gotten much better about Soldier comfort, but during much of my time in the service, the focus was more on "survival" than on "comfort." So as our camping trip drew ever closer, the memories of being exposed to the elements, living out in the rain and the mud, grew ever more vivid... and I could hardly be thinking how I'd pretty much already met my quota when it comes to that kind of stuff. So it was that Thursday afternoon I

realized I couldn't put it off any longer. It was already committed to doing this thing. So I finally packed up my tent, my sleeping bag, some extra clothes, and a cooler with some food, and began the drive to Cave Run Lake. Somewhere along the way, a strange thing happened. I don't know if it was because I had finally resigned myself to the idea of camping with the boys, but during the two-hour drive, as each mile ticked away, a change came over me. I began remembering all the fun I had, so that by the time I got to the campsite, I was positively excited about being there and was ready to relive some

of the positive experiences of the past. No sooner had I pitched my tent and stowed my gear inside when the rest of the adults (who had already been there since Monday) informed me it was my turn to cook. I had to draw, spurs, etc., and distance for each point, such as "120" or "150m." (For me then how to accurately place off that distance on the ground, two boys suddenly I set up a compass course to test how well the boys had learned: these new instructions were "160" or "200m." "Oh, that's rewarding experience," watching the "We thought it said initial concentration and confusion on the boys' faces gradually love them. turn to excited grins And that's my two

they began to understand the concepts I taught them, and then to see their confidence grow as they found one after another. Boys have a way of throwing however; of throwing a map, like hill, you go for a loop. I had provided them with a compass direction and distance for each point, such as "120" or "150m." (For me then how to accurately place off that distance on the ground, two boys suddenly I set up a compass course to test how well the boys had learned: these new instructions were "160" or "200m." "Oh, that's rewarding experience," watching the "We thought it said initial concentration and confusion on the boys' faces gradually love them. turn to excited grins And that's my two

Friday, I was in charge of teaching the "Orienteering" merit badge to the scouts. I showed them how to use a map and compass, how to recognize terrain features on a map, like hill, you go for a loop. I had provided them with a compass direction and distance for each point, such as "120" or "150m." (For me then how to accurately place off that distance on the ground, two boys suddenly I set up a compass course to test how well the boys had learned: these new instructions were "160" or "200m." "Oh, that's rewarding experience," watching the "We thought it said initial concentration and confusion on the boys' faces gradually love them. turn to excited grins And that's my two

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- PRINCIPAL'S CLUB 3.76-4.00 (3/23/09-5/23/09)**
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Chelsea Briner, Dylan Carty, J.T. Fryman, Connor Hutton, Kay Lane, Kimber Letcher, Haley Mcconnell, Mandy Melean, Jared Napier, Jordan Napier, Katie Rainey, Kelsey Randolph, Andrea Rector
- 11th Grade**  
Thomas Baker, Jimmy Coffey, Nathanael Curran, Kayla Jefferson, Dailey, Cameron Dale, Madeline Gallagher, Dalton Hampton, Megan Hunter, Heather McCall, Kevin Agee, Robynn Bartlett, Brennan Gabriel, Kyle Haire, Wes Hopkins, Tiffany
- 12th Grade**  
Whitney Morgan
- 11th Grade**  
Cody Barnett, Jason Coy, Owen Davidson, Casey Fryman, Lauren Harrison, Morgan Kelly, Brandy Norman, Kassi Parsons, Joy Rawlings, Ashley Sexton
- 12th Grade**  
Matt Akers, Carly Barker, Heather Crump, Weston Hinton, Jessica Hughes, D.R. Purvis, Brittanee Sosby, Brandon Tedder, Jonathan Tobin

**NOTICE**  
The Nicholas County Courthouse will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2009. It will reopen on Monday, July 6, 2009 at 9:00 A.M.  
By Larry Trichter - Judge/Executive  
Published in The Carlisle Mercury on Wednesday, June 24, 2009

**NOTICE**  
The Nicholas County Commission/Recruiting Center will be closed on Saturday, July 4, 2009. It will reopen on Monday, July 6, 2009 at 7:30 A.M.  
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**To Whom It May Concern:**  
I have been appointed as the Warning Order Attorney by the Nicholas Circuit Court in Civil Action No.09-CI-00041 Barbara S. Myers et al vs. Darrell W. Myers et al, the entire family. I have been directed to attempt to identify and locate any Unknown Heirs of Walter Elmo Myers or Rosa Myers. To date I have not located any such heirs. This notice is being placed in this paper to exhaust all possibilities. If you have any information regarding this matter please contact me at P.O. Box 484, Paris, KY 40362. My phone number is 502-330-3300.  
Hon. Jim Brady

## GENERAL NEWS

### Booth to be Grand Marshall for Blackberry Festival Parade

By Charles Mattox  
News Reporter  
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A hometown hero will be this year's Grand Marshall for the parade downtown on July 2 and there will be plenty of food booths and other activities down town that night. We will also crown the Blackberry Festival Queen following the parade.

Colonel Damon Booth, a 27-year veteran with the United States Air Force will be this year's Grand Marshall during the parade held July 2.

Colonel Booth and his wife, Janet formerly of Water Valley, MS, have three children: Leigh, Clay, and Madison, and they reside in OFallon, IL.

Col. Booth is the son of David Kimball and Jane Ellen Booth, and brother of Janet Kay Smooth (Reese Wayne), and Sara Ellen Richardson (Phillips) of Carlisle.

Col. Booth was a 1977 graduate of Nicholas County High School and grew up in Nicholas County.

Booth has traveled around the world and helped secure the nation's interest while helping to defend the country during several conflicts.

Booth was commissioned as a second Lieutenant in June 8 and held three commands in his 7-year career.

In 1987, he received his Master's Degree in Operations Management at the Univ. of Arkansas. He also completed Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and Air War College at Maxwell Air Base in Montgomery, AL.

Colonel Booth held three commands: the 62nd Airlift Squadron at Little Rock AFB, AR; the 332nd Expeditionary Operations Group, Balad AB, Iraq; and the 62nd operations Group, McChord AFB, WA.

Watkins invites everyone downtown to enjoy the parade and give a warm welcome back home to everyone enjoying the annual celebration and says there will be plenty of excitement for the entire family.

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## Obituaries



Marjorie Bradley Wilson  
1934-2009

Marjorie Bradley Wilson, 74, of 307 Kennedy Heights, Carlisle died Tuesday at her residence after a long illness. She was born in Bath County March 12, 1935 to the late Walter John Marshall, Greg Reid, Tim Hall, Gary Howard, and Margaret Teachers. Her bearers are, Nicholas County Elementary School Teachers, and United Methodist Church The Red Hat Daughters. Contributions can be made to Hospice of her husband of 54 years, Harvey Wilson, Joseph (Shirley) Wickie (Dob) Keszels, Angela (Robbie) Parker.

2 grandchildren Lindsey (Dorina) Herrington, Camron Kesela, 2 great-grandchildren, Kayley and Kenley Herrington, 3 sisters Wanda Mae, Carlisle, Bonnie (Joe) Blount, Mt. Sterling, Gayle West, Paris, sister-in-law, Ruth Hayne Hall, cousins, Jim (Kay) Hawkins, Peggy (Mike) Monahan. She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Walter and Ruby Reed. Carper Funeral Services were held at 11:00 am Friday, June 19, 2009 at the Carlisle United Methodist Church with Rev. Jason Carper officiating with burial following in the Carlisle Cemetery. Pallbearers are, Gerald Watkins, Calvin Wells, 1935 to the late Walter John Marshall, Greg Reid, Tim Hall, Gary Howard, and Margaret Teachers. Her bearers are, Nicholas County Elementary School Teachers, and United Methodist Church The Red Hat Daughters. Contributions can be made to Hospice of her husband of 54 years, Harvey Wilson, Joseph (Shirley) Wickie (Dob) Keszels, Angela (Robbie) Parker.



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