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## Fire fighters to seek EMT training



Photo by Eric Tolson

The Nicholas County Fire Board decided to pay for EMT training for the fire fighters during their meeting last Friday. It was decided that they would reimburse the fire fighters for the cost of their training (\$750) and would pay for part of the cost (\$1,200) should they decide to take the online class.

By Eric Tolson

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On their December 7th meeting, The Nicholas County Fire Board decided that they will pay for EMT training for up to four firefighters per year, with some stipulations.

The mutual agreement of the members of the Nicholas County Fire Board seems to be that it would be very helpful to the community for the members of the Nicholas County Fire Department to

received proper EMT training.

Several firefighters have asked members of the fire board if the cost of their training could be paid for or reimbursed by the fire department.

"I think it's a very good idea," said Fire Chief Doug French. "The citizens of Nicholas County could benefit greatly if all of our firefighters were trained to respond to medical emergencies."

The training to become EMT certified, while highly beneficial, is also rather costly to

the firefighters. The training reportedly costs approximately \$750 for standard classes and \$1,200 for online classes.

"The classes are held every Saturday for eight to nine hours for three to four months," said French. "We can afford to spend enough money to send no more than four firefighters per year to these classes."

Although the members of the fire board agree upon the importance of the EMT classes, and that the fire-board would be willing

to pay for the classes, there is some concern with the members regarding completion of the classes.

"One of the things we have to be concerned about is whether or not the firefighters pass the class," stated Jay Moreford. "If they don't pass the class, then would we still have to pay for it? I think that if they don't pass, they should have to pay for the class themselves."

The members of the fire board agree with Mr. Moreford's consensus.

Tracey Brown made a motion for the Nicholas County Fire Department to pay for a maximum of four firefighters per year, at a maximum of \$750 reimbursement per firefighter, upon completion of the class and acquiring their state certification. In the event that the firefighter should not pass the exam, then he/she would absorb the cost of the class.

The motion was passed after Stephen Minton made a second.

The purchase of various pieces of equipment for the newly purchased fire truck was also brought before the attention of the Nicholas County Fire Board.

Doug French deemed the purchase of many items necessary. These items include: a new hose at a cost of \$450, tire chains for \$2,200 and pipe hoses at \$138 and \$108. French stated that hydraulic reels were also needed for the truck, but prices for them would have to be researched.

Andy Whirles made a motion for the purchase of this equipment. Stephen Minton made a second to that motion. The motion was passed.

A discussion was also made regarding the heater that is currently in the Nicholas County Fire house.

"It's not working properly," stated Chief French. "It kicks on and off, most of the heat in the building is going out of the chimney. It's really not very efficient at all. New heaters can range in price up to \$2,700 I think we can really use a new heater."

The members of the fire board decided that the best course of action would be to explore the option of purchasing a new heater for the building, which would, as a byproduct of keeping the building at a comfortable temperature, keep the water inside the fire trucks

from freezing in the cold months.

Also, Nancy Fightmaster has given the Nicholas County Fire Department \$1,000 for the purchase of "something that the fire department needs."

"This is very generous of her," said Chief French. "She told me that she wants us to buy something and not just pay bills."

Stephen Minton made a motion to use the money given by Miss Fightmaster to possibly purchase a new heater for the Fire House. The motion passed after a second by Andy Whirles.

Fire Chief Doug French announced that the Nicholas County Fire Department had won \$100 for their second place float in the Carlisle City Christmas Parade. French decided that it would be best to give the money to Ricky Moore, whose son is currently ill. The board agreed with French's decision and thought it was a thoughtful gesture.

After these issues were discussed, Steve Weidle made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Stephen Minton. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

## Fourth Graders give instead of receive



Photo by Eric Tolson

The fourth graders at Nicholas County Elementary School, deciding that it's better to give than to receive, gathered donated items for the Backpack Program instead of exchanging gifts this year. So far, they have received over 1,000 items, much higher than their original 100 item goal, with five days left until their December 17th deadline.

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As of Friday, December 7th, the fourth grade students at Nicholas County Elementary School have received 1,076 food items for donation, far beyond their original 100 item goal.

As a part of the Backpack Program, which provides food to unfortunate children, the students decided to help out local children, instead of exchanging gifts this year.

This program is a partnership between the

school and the local Family Resource Center.

"This is a great program," said Hailee Boggs, a fourth grade teacher at NCEs. "The program provides for children who pretty much only eat when they are at school. On Fridays, some children are given a backpack, filled with these nonperishable foods, to take home so that they have something to eat over the weekend. It really teaches the kids that it's better to give than to receive."

Usually, the elementary students would bring in a small gift to

exchange with another student. This year, the fourth grade classes decided that this would be more helpful and a better representation of the holiday spirit.

"I'm very proud of them," said Boggs. "Our goal was to have 100 items before December 17th. But in just a few short days, we've received so much more than that."

The items raised for the Backpack Program will be delivered on Monday, December 17th. For information on how to donate, please contact Nicholas County Elementary School.



Photo Submitted  
 Kay Seither, campus director of the Donald W. Kiser Extension of Maysville Community and Technical College, was honored to present Marty Felner, principal of Nicholas County High School, with a check for \$1000. to Nicholas County Schools Boys and Girls Athletic Programs. This check is in sponsorship as a part of the "Go Team" marketing initiative created by Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

## Wesley Neace played in All Star Games

By Eric Tolson

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Wesley Neace, a student and football player at Nicholas County High School, had the honor of being selected to play in the 2012 East/West All Star Game in November.

All Star Weekend for the game took place in Frankfort, Kentucky from November 23-25.

Neace was selected as one of the best high school football players in the state of Kentucky and spent the weekend touring the state capital and learning about what it takes to play football at a college level.

"It was a very good experience," described Neace. "It was great to meet other kids with that high level of talent."



While in Frankfort, Neace enjoyed a tour of the city of Frankfort, the

Kentucky State University campus and attended regular practices and games. All of these events culminated in an awards banquet on Saturday night at the Frankfort Convention Center.

"This experience really helped me," Neace explained. "Being with players of that caliber really made me feel like I can accomplish anything. I feel like I can do anything I set my mind to."

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# COMMUNITY



## Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

By Charles Mattox

I was born in the county of Fauquier, in the state of Virginia, on the 25th of Nov. 1765. I was the son of John and Anne Sudduth who were respectable, but not wealthy. My opportunity to get an education was small. I went to school about five months: in my tenth year, in 1775. I learned to read a little and had no chance to go to school again until I was in my 16th year. I then went about five more months as I could be spared out of the crop. In my 17th year I went ten days to learn the art of surveying. My parents were desirous to educate me but the Revolutionary War prevented it, as there were no schools in our neighborhood during that period. On the 4th of Sept. 1783 I started to Kentucky in company with Charles Morgan, Thomas Brown and all together four families. We arrived at the mouth of Redstone Creek and descended the Monongahela River to Fort Pitt and then down the Ohio River. We left the boat early on the 7th of October to move 20 horses overland and didn't see the boat again... We trav-

elled down The Ohio until we came to the mouth of Cabin Creek. We then concluded to leave the river and travel overland and strike out into the country and try to find some of the forts in Kentucky. We fell into a buffalo road that led us to the Lower Blue Licks. We there met some hunters, which was a pleasing sight to us. We then proceeded on the buffalo road toward Lexington and we arrived at Bryant's Station on the 28th of October, 1783. Charles Morgan removed his family and settle at David McGee's Fort, in the present county of Clark. I remained with him for about three weeks and left him and went to Capt. John Strode's Station... I returned home and later came back to Kentucky with my father's family. I settled with my family at Major Andrew Hood's Station, five miles away from Strode's Station.

Excerpted from the Draper Manuscripts; Volume 12 CC, pages 67-69; an interview with William Sudduth.

December 12, 1789, 25 miles from Major

## IF THE GOOD LORD IS WILLING

Andrew Hood's Station, near the present boundary of Bourbon and Nicholas County, along Big Brushy Creek, a tributary of Hinkston Creek

He dropped the armload of wood as he re-entered his small camp and with his brush ax made several quick chops and tossed the kindling into the small fire near the front of his primitive structure, a makeshift lean-to that served his purpose nicely.

The Shawnee and Lake Indians were always on the prowl, though they seldom ventured this far south in the winter months. Still, survival depended on being ready for anything at anytime: There were the wolves and bears and cougars and even the rabid skunks, to contend with.

He tried to relax, with his back against one wall of the lean-to, as he poked at the fire. A small deer ham was slowly roasting and he gave the spit it was on a full quarter turn before letting his mind wander, as his gaze followed the smoke skyward.

He had been most often in the woods with John Wade, especially since the Shawnee had killed his brother Ezekiel Sudduth during a raid

on Major Andrew Hood's Fort in the late winter of 1786, but he was by himself this evening as he had been the past few.

He suppressed a strong urge to cough and thought of his father's family which had moved to David McGee's Station in the autumn of 1788 and how he and a great many others fell ill with the fever at that time. He had been confined to his bed for seven months and nearly died. His father and his brother John had fallen sick at this same time and had both died.

He thought about how his family had struggled with those losses then, just as they had during their trip from their home down the Cheat River to the Monongahela and later to the Ohio River; eventually landing at Maysville after an eternity. The disastrous journey downstream had included two massive boat wrecks and the loss of almost everything except their lives.

The family plan was to buy a boat and float down the Cheat, to the Monongahela, to the Ohio and downstream to the small cove at Maysville.

The boat they purchased, however, crashed and was destroyed after they traveled only two miles.

They were then forced

to meticulously build another boat and completed the exhaustive task at the end of February, when they again launched themselves into the river.

Their hand-built boat crashed after going ten miles.

They laboriously repaired that boat and finally launched again without incident and landed where Maysville now stands on March 20, 1785.

In Sudduth's absence from Kentucky, Edward Waller, Josiah Collins and others, had built a log cabin at Maysville. The cabin had no roof, fireplace, nor any chinking between the logs, but it did offer some protection against the elements and raiding Native Americans

William's three-year-old brother Benjamin had fallen deathly sick and they had buried him at Maysville, within one week of their arrival.

The urge to cough was gone now, replaced by an empty feeling he could never entirely shed himself of, especially of late when alone in the woods. He placed a few small slivers of wood on the fire and turned the spit another quarter of a turn before poking the coals some more and drifting away again, lost in his thoughts.

He should have been killed several times by the Shawnee in their frequent encounters, but he'd never received as much as a scratch.

He had gained no small reputation as a strong militia leader and was a gifted surveyor who was continually sought out by those pressing outward from the settlements.

He had moved back into Hood's Station but his sojourns and surveying expeditions kept him in the woods most of the time.

The hills and hollows, with their meadows and clear streams, were lush with possibilities. The timber was good and beneath the forests and lush cane fields was ground so fertile it was almost sweet enough to eat.

It was the kind of place a man could raise a family and grow old, if the Good Lord was willing.

The singular hoot of an owl was met with the quick yap of a wolf.

Perhaps it was only the animals themselves, but perhaps it was a small group of warriors.

He let out a heavy sigh and kicked his fire out. He sliced off a large hunk of deer meat from the spit, gathered his gear, untied and mounted his horse, and began the slow and cautious journey southwestward, back to the small cluster of fortified cabins within Hood's Station, the place he called home. If he was lucky and didn't stop his cautious pace, he would arrive there by late tomorrow evening

It was growing colder, but the night sky was clear and the stars were shining brightly.

\* William Sudduth would live a long and prosperous life in the sections of Kentucky today comprised of the counties within the Kentucky News Group, before dying at one of his son's homes in Bath County in 1845. William Sudduth was one of the state's convention members who framed the Kentucky Constitution in 1792. He was a good friend of Daniel Boone, who was a deputy surveyor under Sudduth's leadership in the 1790s. We have visited Mr. Sudduth in the past, within the confines of this column, dear reader, and if the Good Lord is willing, we will do so again.

## Donna Slone-Crumbie Elected Chair of the KCTCS Faculty Senate



Donna Slone-Crumbie, Assistant Professor teaching Reading and English at the Licking Valley Campus, was elected chair of the KCTCS Faculty Senate.

"Mrs. Donna Slone-Crumbie is a dynamic

faculty member that is certainly an asset to Maysville Community and Technical College. She cares deeply about her students and works tirelessly preparing them for not only their academics major but

for life as well. I feel sure that Mrs. Slone-Crumbie will represent our College well and I wish her well in this important KCTCS position," said Dr. Ed Story, President of Maysville Community and Technical College.

Donna Slone-Crumbie is serving her 2nd term on the KCTCS Council. Her position on Council stems from her being the Faculty Chair for Maysville Community and Technical College. Donna was the 2012 New Horizons Award of Excellence Faculty Winner. Donna has been an employee of Maysville Community and Technical College for seven years. During those seven years, she has been a part of many activities within the community of Harrison County, including: Women's Legacy Tea, Super Sunday, Martin Luther King March, Taste of Harrison County, and Writer's

Workshop. She earned her Master's in Arts and Education and her Bachelor of Arts in General Studies from the University of Kentucky. Donna is a member of the Lion's Club, Harrison County Democratic Women's Club, and the Harrison County Chamber of Commerce. She is married to Tim Crumbie and has one son and two grandchildren.

"I was honored to be nominated and will use my position as chair of the Senate as an opportunity to engage with representatives throughout the KCTCS system," said Donna Slone-Crumbie.

As listed on the KCTCS website, the Chair of the KCTCS Senate has the responsibilities to serve not only as the Chair of the KCTCS Senate but also as chair of the KCTCS Council. Donna will prepare the agenda for the KCTCS Council

meetings, be a member, ex officio, of all KCTCS Senate committees, share a report of the KCTCS Council at meetings of the KCTCS Senate among other responsibilities required for the office.

As authorized by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) Board of Regents, the faculty

senate "shall have the primary responsibility of determining academic policy and curricula development that shall be recommended to the president of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System." The KCTCS Board of Regents authorizes the functions of the senate in Policy 1.4.

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# OBITUARIES/SCHOOL

Lizzie Mae Anderson Livingood



Lizzie Mae Anderson Livingood, 91 died Wednesday December 5, 2012. She was born in Nicholas County June 27, 1921 to the late Luke and Julia Ockerman Anderson. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and a member of the Locust Grove Baptist Church. She is survived by her children; Marion Livingood, Libby (Danny) Clark, Sue (John) Caswell, Roy (Diane) Livingood and Martha (Raymond) Mitchell, daughter-in-law Bonnie Livingood her brothers and sisters; James Anderson, Adrian 'Buck' Anderson, Sam 'Tom' Anderson, Billy Anderson, Raymond Anderson, Carrie Anderson, Rudy Trussell and Sally Bowles. She is preceded in death by her husband, Bob Livingood; son Henry Livingood; Bonnie Thornsbury; grandson Bobby Franklin Mitchell; two sisters; Thelma McCord and Margett Anderson; brother L.T. Anderson. Visitation will be Friday 4-8 pm and Funeral services will be held at 12 noon December 8, 2012 at Carlisle-Clark Funeral Home with Bro. Howard Livingood and Rev. Bon Donovan officiating with burial following in the Carlisle Cemetery. Pallbearers are; Bobby, David and Robby Caswell, Brian Livingood, Ian Moss and Dean Allen McClean. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren will serve as honorary bearers. Carlisle-Clark Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Contributions can be made to the Locust Grove Baptist Church or Hospice of the Bluegrass in her honor.

ber of the Carlisle Christian Church. An avid outdoorsman, Bobby loved hunting, fishing and camping as well as gardening. One of his greatest pleasures in life was teaching his nieces, nephews and friends children how to hunt. He was also a devoted fan of UK Basketball.

Bobby is also survived by 2 sons, Holden Tuff Sumner & Cole River Sumner, 2 sisters, Kathy (Tunn) Howard & Kim Smith, his mother-in-law, Linda Moore, all of Carlisle, his father-in-law, Jim (Cathy) Toadvine, of Paris, a brother-in-law, Timmy Toadvine, a sister-in-law, Melissa Toadvine, also of Carlisle, 4 nieces, Kelsey Sumner, Kandice Howard Bryce & Ashley Toadvine, 3 nephews, Michael Smith, Joshua Howard, and Chase Toadvine, and a great-nephew, Mason Locke, along with many special friends.

A Celebration of Life Service was held at 6:00 P.M. Sunday, December 9, 2012 at Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. Kevin Thomas.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Cancer Care Club, P. O. Box 189, Flemingsburg, Kentucky 41041 or Hospice of the Bluegrass, 1317 US Highway 62 East, Cynthiana, Kentucky 41031.

Condolences and video tribute available at [www.mathersgaunce.com](http://www.mathersgaunce.com).

Rosa B. Burke Ellington



Rosa B. Burke Ellington, 96, of Shawhan and formerly of Nicholas Co., wife of the late Paul Ellington to whom she was married for 71 years, passed away on Monday, December 10,

2012 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born December 6, 1916 in Nicholas Co. to the late Clarence & Etta Reid Burke, was a devoted homemaker and was a member of the Shawan Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter Phyllis Jordan, of Shawhan, 2 sons, Paul Wayne (Lynn) Ellington, Harrison Co., & Jimmy Allen (Wanda) Ellington, Harrison Co., a brother, Billy (Phyllis) Burke, of Carlisle, 8 grandchildren, Jerry Allen (Angie) Walker, Debbie Walker (Richard Howard), Barry Paul (Susan) Moreland, James Kevin (Tina) Ellington, Jamie Wayne (Beth) Ellington, Angel Ellington (Derrick Browning), Mindy Ellington & Kelli Marie (J.J.) Nichols, 14 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great grandchildren, a special nephew, Raymond (Willie) Ellington, and a sister-in-law, Imogene Burke.

She was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Nellie Frances Harney & Margaret Combs, and a brother, Raymond Pete Burke.

Services will be 11:00 A.M. Friday, December 14, 2012 at Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. Kevin Strausbaugh with burial following in the Carlisle Cemetery.

Casketbearers will be Randy Cole, Eddie Ellington, Jamie Ellington, Kevin Ellington, Barry Moreland and Tom Shrout.

Honorary bearers will be Derrick Browning, Danny Coy, Jim Eads, Cody Ellington, Tristan Ellington, Glenn Florence, Larry Florence, Barry Paul Moreland, Jr., Jarod Walker and Jerry Walker.

Visitation will be after 5:00 P.M. Thursday.

Memorial contributions suggested to Hospice of the Bluegrass, 1317 US Highway 62 East, Cynthiana, Kentucky 41031.

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## Middle School students recognized

Photos by Eric Tolson



the four tests taken. These students include: Logan Bechanan, Alexia Buchanan, Kody Campbell, Damion Crawford, Kailyn Denton, Shavonne Edwards, Shelby Flanigin, Leah Gardner, Sam Hamilton, Christian Hatton, Bridgette Heiple, Merrick Johnson, Taran Jones, Kayley Letcher, Ryan McFarland, Reganne Miller, Hailey Mitchell, Spencer Morris, Mariah Richardson, Makensie Ruder, Samantha Sowell, Wilson Switzer and Elijah Whirls.

Last year's seventh grade students were recognized if they scored Proficient or Distinguished on at least two out of the three tests they took. These students include: Havanna Bach, Miranda Bretz, James Campbell, Colby Caswell, Jared Clark, Aaron Conyers, Andre Donahue, Johnathon Duncan, Cody Earlywine, Caleb Fryman, Kelsey Gillispie, Abby Green, Sydney Hatton, Jessica Hudson, Jillian Hughes, Dallas Hunt, Areyona Ishmael, Sara Johnson, Hannah Jolly, Jacob Jolly, Samuel Jolly, Sarah Jolly, Sarah Lane, Trenton Letcher, Laura McCord, Bryce Markland, Autumn Martin, Cody Moon, Weslee Neace, Samantha Payne, Hannah Pace, Blake Sanders, Alexis Smith, Logan Sparks, Logan Stafford, Kacie Tincher, Megan Watson, Cassidy Wells, Ryan Whalen, Mercer Wills and Candyce Worrell.

It is worth noting there was only one student who achieved Distinguished marks on all of their tests last year. Alyssa Livingood, who took the seventh grade test last year, earned three Distinguished scores in all three of the tests that she took.

Last year's eighth grade students were recognized if they scored Proficient or Distinguished on at least three out of the four tests taken. These students include: Page Adams, Will Allison, Cameron Bowles, Annalee Brutsman, Jade Davis, Abigail DeRossett, Delaney Green, Kayanna Hagan, Ethan Keaton, Dani Johnson, Gabby Short, Shayde Stone, Sydney Stone, Sedona Sweet, Mary Kate Tolliver, Chris Vice, Courtney Vice, Jonna Watkins and Shelby Watkins.

and free admission to sporting events.

Last year's sixth grade students were recognized if they scored Proficient or Distinguished on at least three out of

By Eric Tolson KYNewsGroup

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Several Nicholas County Middle School students were recognized at last Thursday night's Middle School Boys Basketball team for their performance on last year's tests. The students have already been rewarded with a cookout

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Robert G. Bobby Sumner, Jr., 42, husband of Amy Toadvine Sumner, passed away on Thursday, December 6, 2012 at his home.

A Nicholas County native, he was born June 11, 1970 to Marjorie Wilson Sumner, of Carlisle, and the late Robert G. Sumner, Sr., was a 1988 graduate of Nicholas Co. High School, attended Johnson Bible College and was a mem-

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# COMMUNITY

## Hospital Christmas Party



Photos by Eric Tolson

The Nicholas County Hospital held their regular Christmas Party at the Neil Building on Main Street last Tuesday evening. Numerous employees were present and enjoyed the company of their co-workers and friends while they enjoyed a wonderful spread of food and even exchanged gifts.

### Lady Jackets outlast Harrison County for district win



Photo by Eric Tolson

Megan Bretz brings the ball down the court against Harrison County. The girls went into a double overtime and defeated district rivals Harrison County 68-63

The Nicholas County Lady Jackets wouldn't be denied when 38th District rival Harrison County visited Friday night. Nicholas County outlasted the Fillies in two overtimes, prevailing 68-63 in the second extra period.

The Lady Jackets, under the direction of head coach Greg Letcher, won their second straight game, pulling even at 2-2. Nicholas County had defeated 16th Region Top 10 team Bath County three nights earlier.

The hard-fought win gave Nicholas County an early lead in the 38th District race.

With the loss, Harrison County remained winless, slipping to 0-3.

Nicholas County outscored visiting Harrison County 16-11 in a second overtime to secure the district win.

Free throw shooting pushed the Lady Jackets over the top. Nicholas County finished 30-of-41 from the free throw line, shooting 77.5 percent.

"Free throw shooting won the game for us," Letcher confided. "It was a great victory on our home floor."

Senior guard Megan Bretz led a balanced Nicholas County offensive attack with 18 points. Nicholas County featured four scorers in double figures. Reesa Martin scored 14 points while teammates Shannon Bretz and Shelby Wade added 12 apiece for the Lady Jackets.

Wade starred at the free throw line, draining 10-of-10 foul shots for the Nicholas County girls' basketball team.

Grace Kiskaden finished one shot shy of double figures, chipping in eight points for the Lady Jackets.

Trina Hughes and Elizabeth Johnson rounded out the Nicholas County scoring with two points apiece.

Megan Bretz and Shannon Bretz led Nicholas County on the glass, grabbing eight rebounds

ed with the two teams tied 46-46.

The first overtime period ended with Nicholas County and Harrison County tied 52-52.

Junior post player Jordan Doram proved to be a force inside for the Fillies. Doram led Harrison County with a game-high 32 points. Sophomore guard Chelsea Ingram and eighth-grade guard Reffett added 10 points apiece for the Fillies.

Nicholas County won despite shooting only 33.3 percent (18-of-54) from the field. The Lady Jackets were two-of-nine (22.2 percent) from 3-point range in the winning effort.

Nicholas County is scheduled to visit Harrison County for a return game on Feb. 1.

### EARLY DEADLINES

for the December 26th paper will be Thursday December 20th and for the January 2nd paper deadlines will be December 27th due to the office being closed on December 24th and 25th in observance of Christmas.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**NICHOLAS**

**DEC. 12**

Red hatters are going to meet on Dec, 12, 2012 at noon at the Worthington Lodge at Blue Licks. Don't forget your Christmas ornament to exchange.

**DEC 16**

Gods House of Prayer will have their Christmas Story Play on Sunday December 16th 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcomed.

**DEC 22**

"The Night to Remember" Saturday, Dec. 22nd at 7pm, located at Long View Cemetery in Bethel, KY

Live Nativity, caroling, & candlelight service

For more information contact Camille Gray at 859-289-2907

**ROBERTSON**

**DEC. 17**

Robertson County Historical Society Annual Christmas Meeting

At Senior Citizens Building in Mt. Olivet

Monday, December 17 at 6pm

Bring Covered Dish of Food

Election of Officers. Everyone Welcome

Robertson County Board of Education Meeting

December 17th @ 6:30

Robertson County Board Office

**FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

Wedco/Nicholas County Home health will be sponsoring a free blood pressure screening for the general public on the second Tuesday of each month from 3-4 p.m. at the public library.

**COMMUNITY DRUG FORUM**

The community drug forum will now be held the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Community Health Center. The forum was previously held the second Tuesday of each month.

**COVERED BRIDGE CHAPTER OF KPR**

The Covered Bridge Chapter of KPR is open to all retired city, county and state government employees from Bath, Fleming, Lewis, Mason, Nicholas and Rowan counties. The aim of the organization is to keep you apprised of your benefits and how

they are or will be affected by legislation and other factors. New members are welcome and invited to attend this meeting.

**NICHOLAS COUNTY LANDFILL COMMITTEE**

Nicholas County Landfill Committee meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at the landfill.

**NICHOLAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT MEETING**

Nicholas County Water District's Regular monthly meeting has been changed to 6 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

**NICHOLAS COUNTY AMBULANCE QUESTIONS**

If there are any questions or concerns about the day to day operations of the ambulance service, please contact Lieutenant Rob Biddle. He may be reached at Nicholas County EMS (859) 289-5522. Please ask for Rob or leave a message and he will contact you back as soon as possible. Please be aware that any questions relating to specific run or patient may not be answered due to patient confidentiality (HIPPA).

**INDUSTRIAL BOARD AUTHORITY MEETING**

The IDA meets the Second Monday of each month, at the Jockey Industrial Building at 5 p.m.

**BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Building and Grounds Committee meets on the fourth Friday of each month at 9 a.m. in the Court House. Public is welcome to attend.

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Park and Recreation committee meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Court house. Public is welcome to attend. Call Keith Campbell to schedule events at 859-753-0550

**A.C.T.S. MEETINGS**

The Alcohol, Chemical, Treatment, Series meets each Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. in the Sparks Room at the Nicholas Co. Health Department call Chaplin William Power 749-7427 or Dawn Letcher 289-3745 in association with Nicholas Co. Drug Forum.

**ATTENTION VETERANS**

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the courthouse Annex Mt. Sterling, on Mondays and Wednesdays. Veterans will be seen by appointment only.

Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for Federal and State Veterans benefits.

This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, please call toll free within KY 1-866-376-0308 to speak with a Veterans Benefits field representative.

**DOGS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION**

Nicholas County Animal Welfare Society has dogs available for adoption 473-2714 or www.ncaws.org.

**NICHOLAS COUNTY SPAY NEUTER PROGRAM**

Bluegrass Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Paul Pack at 11 East Main Paris is honored to be participating in the Nicholas County fix spay/neuter program. The program is aimed at reducing the number of unwanted or homeless puppies and kittens born every year. Drawings for the free service are held each month.

**OLD JAILERS HOME LUNCHEONS**

The luncheons are held the second Thursday of each month. Reservation necessary. Call Gladys Shroud 289-5174 or 749-7986 or Martha Taylor 289-5592 or 749-1948. Sponsored by Tourism Inc.

**JHMC AUXILIARY**

Johnson Mathers Health Care Auxiliary meets the second Tuesday of each month at Nicholas County Health Dept at 10 a.m.

**DAUGHTER LODGE #65 F.A.M.**

Daughter Lodge #65 meets the second Friday at 7:30 p.m. above the Mathers Gaunce Funeral Home. All masters mason are welcome to attend.

**AMITY LODGE #40 F.A.M.**

meets the third Saturday at 7:00 p.m. meal at 6:00 p.m. in Millersburg Ky.

**ORIENT LODGE #500 MEETINGS**

The Orient Lodge #500 meets the second Thursday night each month at 7:30 p.m. All master masons are welcomed.

**LIFELINE MEETINGS**

The Lifeline meetings are held each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. at New Beginnings Church. For more info call Greg Spivey 859-227-1319. Toni Spivey 859-473-0899.

**NC ADULT LEARNING CENTER**

The Adult Learning Center offers a flexible schedule and personalized instructions to help students successfully complete their GED. The center offers students the opportunity to study at their own pace and 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.

**4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB**

Meets the fourth Tuesday of every month, unless that day falls on a holiday. Meetings are held from 6:30PM-7:30PM at the Extension Office

**4-H COOKING CLUB**

Meets the last Thursday of every month, unless that day falls on a holiday. Meetings are held from 6:00PM-7:15PM at the Extension Office

**4-H NEEDLEWORK CLUB**

Meets the second Tuesday of every month, unless that day falls on a holiday. Meetings are held from 4:00PM-5:15PM at the Extension Office.

**4-H TEEN COUNCIL**

Meets the first Wednesday of every month. Meetings are held from 12:30 - 1:30 PM at the Extension Office. Must be at least 12 years old to join and no older than 18.

**4-H CLOVERBUDS**

Meets the second Wednesday of every month. Meetings are held from 3:30PM-4:30PM at NCES in Mrs. Wilson's room. Ages 5-8 only!

**DIABETES SELF MANAGEMENT CLASSES**

The WEDCO District Health Department will be hosting Diabetes Self Management education classes each month. The class will be held at the Nicholas County Health Center, Dr. Robert

Sparks Community Room. For more information and to register contact Crissy Culberson 866-75WEDCO or 859-298-4899.

**NA & AA**

NA meeting Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. Joe Bermardon contact phone number 606-842-0448. AA meetings Friday nights from 8-9 p.m. Meetings are held in Mt. Olivet in the building next to the post office.

**ROBERTSON COUNTY GED**

Robertson County GED & Family Literacy is now located at the County Medical Building across from the school. Hours: Mon & Tues 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Wednesday Noon-6 p.m. For more information, call Debbie Estill, Instructor, 724-2216.

**ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Animal Control Committee meets the first Friday of every month 8:30 a.m. at the Court house.

**PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Are you tired of getting interviewed but never landing the job? Well now there is help. Licking Valley CAP, Inc. is offering Professional and Personal Development classes in Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason and Robertson Counties. Classes will be offered as individual or whole group seminars. Included in these classes are: Resume Writing, Wroth Ethic, Time management, and/or Interviewing skills. If you are interested please contact Denise Walker at 606-845-0081 or 800-327-5196.

**MOBILE FOOD PANTRY**

God's Pantry is now offering a mobile food pantry that will be coming to the Robertson County Community Center/Fire Hall every 3rd Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. Please bring your own boxes and bags.

**CARLISLE ROTARY CLUB**

The Carlisle Rotary Club meets every Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. at Garrett's Family Restaurant.

**NCAWS**

will have their regular monthly meetings on the 4th Monday of each month at the WEDCO Health Department in the meeting room. The meeting will begin

at 6:15pm and is open and welcome to anyone interested in helping pet animals in Nicholas County. (TFN)

**NICHOLAS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC WOMENS CLUB**

will meet every fourth Tuesday at 6:30 at the small court room in the courthouse.

**NICHOLAS COUNTY EXECUTIVE WOMENS CLUB**

will meet every fourth Tuesday at 7:30 at the small court room in the courthouse.

**THE RUDDLES MILLS CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

, 3804 Ruddles Mills-Millersburg Rd., Paris, KY. will be holding revival meetings from Sunday, October 7, 2012 - Wednesday, October 10, 2012. The meetings will begin at 7 PM each evening. Dr. Tom LaHue from Bedford Acres Christian Church, Bourbon County, KY will be speaking. So please join us for a good time of Revival! For further info, please call the Ruddles Mills Christian Church at: 859-789-7384.

**ROBERTSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Meeting @ the Robertson County Board Office Dec. 17 @ 6:30pm

**ROBERTSON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY TODDLER TALES**

The Robertson Co. Public Library Toddler Tales will be on Tuesdays from 10:30-11 a.m.. It is a half-hour program filled with stories, songs and playtime. This program encourages interactive books and play. The age for this program is birth to 35 months.

The Storyhour program at RCPL will be on Thursdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m.. This is an hour program filled with stories, games, songs and crafts. This program is for children between the ages of 3 and 5.

This program encourages hands-on activities as well as music and sharing.

These programs are open to the public and we would like to encourage you to bring your little ones!

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Christy at the Robertson Co. Public Library. Our phone number is 606-724-5746.



# High School students recognized



**By Eric Tolson**  
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Several Nicholas County High School Stu-

dents were recognized on Friday nights between the Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball games. The students have already been rewarded

with a cookout and free admission for sporting events. The students who were recognized are as follows.

Austin Allison, Katie Bach, Spencer Bailey, Ashlie Bean, Haley Blankenship, Hannah Hoykin, Shannon Bretz, Maribeth Browning, Finn Brutsman, Kacey

Campbell, Olivia Courtney, Jacob Denton, Ben Duncan, Emily Flora, Zach France, Devyn Fryman, Jacob Fryman, Logan Fryman, Ashlee Garcia, Anthony Gilvin, James Glass, Madison Glass, Lindsay Hall, Morgan Hamilton, Sara Hamilton, Kevin Harney, Austin Hedges, Jordan Honeycutt, Toby Howard, Zach Howard, Laurel Hughes, Brianna Ishmael, Elizabeth Johnson, Lakyn Jolly, Andrew Jones, Waid

**Photos by Eric Tolson**  
 Jones, Alicia Kimes, Allison King, Adrienne Letcher, Reesa Martin, Travis McGlothlin, Dustin Miles, Dylan Mitchell, Kimberly Myers, Morgan Padgett, Lara Parrish, Andrew Ring, Katelyn Smith, Eric Spivey, Arris Stacy, Gage Stone, Dominic Tobin, Shelby Wade, Dylan Watkins, Sam Watkins, Kaitlyn Wells, Jacob Wiggins, Luci Willoughby and Whitney Willoughby.

## Shop with a Cop



**By Eric Tolson**  
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**Photo Submitted**

ter. Six to ten children from Preschool through the fourth grade are selected to purchase toys and other items on an evening of shopping with members of the Carlisle City Police, Nicholas County Sheriff's Office, Nicholas County Jailor's Office and other law enforcement agencies.

After an evening of shopping, the children are treated to dinner at McDonald's by the police officers.

"It's really a great program," said Paula Hunter, Director at the Family Resource Center. "It really helps out children who otherwise wouldn't be able receive presents for Christmas."

Ten local children will have a very Merry Christmas, thanks to several donations and local law enforcement. "Shop with a Cop" is a program in which the Nicholas County Family Resource Center partners with local law enforcement agencies and, using donations from around the community, take several local children to Wal-Mart for Christmas presents.

Children are selected for the program through a partnership between Nicholas County Elementary School and the Nicholas County Family Resource Cen-



**Eric Tolson**  
 To get into the spirit of the holidays, the Preschool students in Miss Susan Rogers's and Becky Myers's class made their own gingerbread houses using gingerbread, candy, cake frosting and other sweets. This activity was to go along the story they are currently reading, "Gingerbread Baby" by Jan Brett, which is a take on the classic tale of the Gingerbread Man.

## Date Phenomenon

**By Eric Tolson**  
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Today is December 12, 2012.

To some, this simple coincidence means nothing other than a simple statement.

This date does have some celebratory values though. It commemorates what it known as "World Hoop Day," which is a charity that donates hula hoops to children in need. Since 2007, they have donated quality hula hoops to children in Mexico, Sri Lanka, Haiti, Costa Rica and the United States.

Although this charity is a very generous organization, today's date celebrates a very rare chronological event.

December 12, 2012 (written numerically as 12/12/12) is a calendar event that comes along only a dozen

times per century, when the month, date and year will be the exact same digit.

The next time that this incredibly rare event will occur will be on January 1, 2101, which is over 88 years from now.

Today is likely the last occasion in which most of us will get to experience the privilege of being able to write the current date like this.

Of course, I may be proven wrong. I may one day sit down at my kitchen table, pour myself some coffee and use my 112 year old fingers to open up the paper. I will look down at the date, and will come across an article, similar to this one, where some up and coming young journalist will explain that this is the first time that such an event has happened in over 88 years.

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 All proceeds will benefit the Nicholas County High School Sophomore Class.

Ever dreamed of having a high wage, high demand job? The Licking Valley Campus of Maysville Community and Technical College is now offering the Industrial Maintenance Machinists Mechanic Certificate. Classes will begin on January 14th for the spring 2013 semester. To earn the certificate, students must have a minimum of 19 credit hours. There are several classes for the Industrial Maintenance Machinists Mechanic being offered next semester. CMM 110 Fundamentals of Machine Tools will be on Tuesdays from 5-8:30 pm at the Harrison County Area Technology Center. WLD 120 and 121 Welding will be offered on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5- 8:30 pm at the Harrison County Area Technology Center. ELT 110 Electricity will be offered on Mondays from 5-8:30 pm at Bourbon County High School. To register or for more information, stop by the hilltop or call 859-234-8626 extension 66400.

**Act Now And Save**  
 Beginning Dec. 31, 2012 the Carlisle Cemetery will be increasing the price of burial plots from \$700 to \$900.  
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# SPORTS

## Nicholas ladies fend off Bath County for first win



Photo by Cecil Lawson

### Reesa Martin takes the ball strong to the hole against Bath County.

The third time out in the 2012-13 season proved to be a charm for the Nicholas County Lady Jackets. After

opening the season with a pair of closes losses to Madison Southern and Fleming County, Nicholas County worked its

way into the win column on Tuesday evening (Dec. 4), defeating visiting Bath County 73-68.

Nicholas County, coached by Greg Letcher, moved to 1-2 after posting the win in the matchup that pitted a 10th Region Top 10 team versus a 16th Region Top 10 team.

Bath County dropped to 1-3 after suffering the loss. The Ladycats came up short for the third straight outing.

Senior forward Reesa Martin led Nicholas County with a game-high 25 points. Sophomore guard Megan Bretz followed, adding 12 points for the Lady Jackets. Senior forward Shelby Wade joined Martin and Bretz in double figures, finishing with 11 points.

Martin was five-of-six from 3-point range for the Lady Jackets. The game's leading scorer lit it up from long-range in

each quarter. Nicholas County shot 43.9 percent (25-of-37) from the field. The Lady Jackets were 18-for-28 from the free throw line.

Nicholas County also owned a rebounding advantage in the non-district contest.

Wade led the Lady Jackets with seven rebounds.

Senior guard Shannon Bretz and seventh-grade forward Trina Hughes chipped in eight

points apiece for the Lady Jackets. Eighth-grade guard Grace Kiskaden scored five points and senior center Elizabeth Johnson added four in Nicholas County's non-district win.

Martin, Hughes and Kiskaden also contributed five rebounds apiece.

The Nicholas County and Bath County girls' basketball teams are not scheduled to meet again this season.

## Jackets beat previously undefeated Bath County

Sophomore guard Landon Sexton and junior center Scott Keaton scored 15 points apiece to lead the Nicholas County Jackets past the Bath County Wildcats Tuesday night (Dec. 4). Host Nicholas County defeated Bath County 66-57 in the non-district game.

Nicholas County dealt Bath County its first loss under new head coach Larry Tiller.

With the win, Nicholas County moved to 2-1.

Following the loss, Bath County dropped to 3-1. The Wildcats have already defeated Williamstown, Rose Hill Christian and Bracken County.

Junior guard/forward Austin Shepherd and senior guard Austin Allison added eight points apiece as part of a balanced Nicholas County offensive effort.

The Jackets outscored Bath County in each of the first three quarters. Nicholas County led 14-11 at the end of the first quarter and carried a 35-27 lead into halftime.

The Jackets had stretched their advantage to double digits by the end of the third quarter, leading 53-41.

Nine different Nicholas County players provided scoring. Senior guard/forward Jacob Fryman and senior center Zack Howard added six points apiece for the Jackets.

Junior forward Logan Fryman scored five points and sophomore forward Ben Duncan tossed in two for the Nicholas County boys' basketball team.

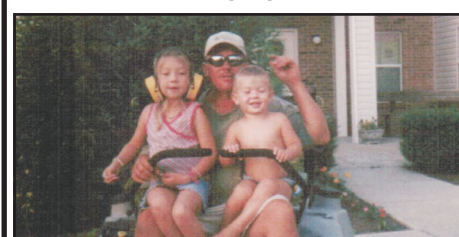
Sophomore guard



Devin Trussell converted on a free throw attempt to dent the Nicholas

County scoring column. Junior guard Keegan

### Happy Birthday Dad



Shane Hughes 12-12-72 - 4-1-2012

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Leslie Ann Asbury, MPH, MD is a native of Augusta, Kentucky. She graduated from Centre College and the University of Louisville School of Medicine. She completed her residency in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at the University of Louisville affiliated hospitals in July, 2012. Dr. Asbury treats both children and adults with a wide variety of both medical and surgical problems of the ears, nose and throat as well as full allergy services including testing and treatment. She also has experience in facial cosmetic procedures, Botox, dermal fillers and resurfacing procedures.



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Sammons led Bath County with a game-high 21 points. Another junior guard, Blake, Maze joined Sammons in double figures, finishing with 17 points.

Making a late push, Bath County outscored the Jackets 16-13 in the fourth quarter.

- Nicholas County 66, Bath County 57
- Bath County (3-1): Johnson 5, Sammons 21, Dailey 6, Bell 2, Wright 3, Maze 17, Newton 2, Winburn 1.
- Nicholas County (2-1): Sexton 15, Shepherd 8, Trussell 1, J. Fryman 6, Allison 8, Keaton 15, Howard 6, Duncan 2, L. Fryman 5.
- Bath County.....11 16 14 16-57
- Nicholas County...14 21 18 13-66

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# MERCURY MEMORIES

## 10 Years Ago

Last year's report in The Nicholas Countian & Carlisle Mercury on the annual Christmas parade in downtown Carlisle began with the words "The weather was warmer..." That was not the case last Saturday when the parade was presented to the community by the Nicholas County Lions Club. The weather was not warmer Saturday. The weather was not even warm Saturday night, but the spirit of the crowd that lined Main Street for the parade and the arrival of Santa Claus remained warm as the decorated floats and other entries in the parade passed along Main Street.

Saturday in December was celebrated in downtown Carlisle last Saturday (December 7). The special holiday-oriented event, held from noon to 6:00 p.m., the starting time for the annual Lions Club Christmas Parade, had a Christmas-oriented theme, "A Special Time in a Special Place." Neal's Store on West Main Street was the centerpiece of Saturday in Carlisle activities. Highlights include an afternoon-long visit from Santa Claus, plus the opportunity for visitors to purchase a variety of fresh holiday wreaths, craft, books and food.

The Jemima Johnson Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, held its annual Christmas Tea at the Hopewell Museum in Paris on Monday, December 1. Kenney Roseberry presided at the meeting with 60 members and guests in attendance.

## 15 Years Ago

KIRIS test scores are up at Nicholas County High School. "We ranked 36th in the state," proclaimed NCHS Principal Greg Reid. We improved 177 percent overall from last year." Reid said there are reasons for the improvement. "It was due to the work of the teachers. They've worked hard in planning and talking to kids. Both those here now and the five that left." The test, KIRIS, (Kentucky Instructional Result Information System) are the product of the Kentucky Education Reform Act (KERA) of 1990.

Six youngsters seated at wooden cubicles, studying intently. That would be the picture presented this week at Nicholas County Elementary School as the site based decision making council approved Principal Marvin Moore's recommendation to begin in-school suspension.

What works for one school may not work for another. Saturday School, a new way to institute a school suspension, was turned down by the Nicholas County High School Site Based Decision Making Council during Tuesday night's regular meeting. The elementary site based decision making council had approved Saturday and in-school suspension at last Wednesday's regular meeting.

## 20 Years Ago

Magistrates can't guarantee anything will happen, but at least they were of one mind when they listed the entrance to Miller Station Road as top priority on their list of requests from the Kentucky Road Department. Area Kentucky Road Department representative John Keith came before magistrates for the annual road work requests to prepare to send to Frankfort.

The Nicholas County Elementary School Site Based Council interviewed and selected

candidates to be recommended to Nicholas County Superintendent Cebert Gilbert for aides for K-1. The council selected Mary Jo McCord, Jane Ellen Grimes, Patty Evans and Danita Harmon.

With Kentucky's Bicentennial celebration drawing to a close at the end of the month, supporters and members and service providers to Tourism Inc. were honored by its co-chairs, Gladys Shrout and Julie Metzger, in a special open house presentation Sunday afternoon. As visitors toured the jail building, seeing the changes that their few short years of work have wrought on the once decrepit building, it was hard to imagine that the Old Jail had been anything but a grand home.

## 25 Years Ago

The purchase of a used fire truck and a proposed mutual aid agreement between city and county fire departments topped discussion at Carlisle's City Council Monday night. Council member Jeff Tyrer proposed to the council the 1963 Seagrave fire truck on loan to the county fire department from Lexington Metro Fire Department could be purchased by the city.

Altering a different-sized motor to replace the broken one in the 1963 Ford Pumper fire truck was the opening topic of discussion at the regular Nicholas County Fire Committee meeting Saturday. Since the last meeting of the two committee's members, Rubel Williams and Kenneth Stephenson, located and purchased a used engine, in need of repair, to be put into the truck.

William N. Young, President of the Deposit Bank of Carlisle, Kentucky, announced today that the Farmers National Bancorp of Cynthiana, Inc., a bank holding company headquartered in Cynthiana, Kentucky, and the Deposit Bank of Carlisle, by unanimous vote of its Board of Directors, had entered into a definitive merger agreement whereby Farmers National Bancorp would

acquire the 4,000 outstanding shares of the Deposit Bank.

## 30 Years Ago

Grocery Advertisement:  
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16 oz. can of Folger's Coffee \$2.45  
18 oz. Jar of Jif Peanut Butter: \$1.29  
40 Years Ago

The Nicholas County Foxhunter's Association held its annual meeting at the Courthouse, Saturday, December 9. Plans were made for the one day hunt, which will be held at the Sky View Farm, on Washington's Birthday, February 22. Hunters throughout the nations have hunts on this day in honor of George Washington, who was a great foxhunter.

George Fontana, Field Representative, Eastern Kentucky area, National Foundation of the March of Dimes, by letter dated December 7, 1972, to Mrs. Paul Stone, president, Nicholas County Chapter, stated, "The Nicholas County Chapter raised more funds per capita than any of the 60 counties in the Eastern Kentucky area. It is something of which you can truly be proud." Mrs. Stone will receive in a few days a plaque for the fine performance of the chapter. She has worked with the March of Dimes for 25 years. During that period of time, the Chapter has received much recognition and many awards. Outstanding service and appreciation awards have also been presented to Mrs. Stone for her untiring efforts.

Moderation in applying government regulations to business is something that the federal government seems to understand hardly at all. Many federal departments and agencies seem to take a delight in harassing the business enterprises which provide jobs for 80 million Americans. Indeed in the hands of ambitious bureaucrats, the power to regulate becomes the power to destroy.

## 50 Years Ago

Girl Scout Troop 178 of Carlisle has chosen a particularly interesting and worthwhile project to fulfill their pledge to "help others" during the month of December. The members of the troop will collect clothing and other personal equipment for the use of Cuban refugee children now residing in the United States.

The Carlisle City School Band and Chorus will present the annual Christmas Concert Monday, December 17, at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium. Part of the band program will be the Bach Chorale, "a Mighty Fortress is our God"; selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein's Broadway musical "The King and I," Richard Strauss's "Alerseelen" or "All Souls Day"; "Winter Wonderland"; and "El Caballero," a march by the contemporary American composer, J. Olivadoti.

## 60 Years Ago

Another bad week for the local cage teams was suffered Friday and Tuesday nights as the Nicholas County Blue Jackets lost two encounters and the Carlisle Musketeers dropped one Tuesday night. The Muskies were idle Friday. The Blue Jackets were defeated 72-41 by Bourbon Vocational Friday night in the NCHS Gym. Playing without the services of Phil Hillcock, the Jackets dropped behind early and were soon out of the game.

Proper preparation for Christmas mail is most important, if you want it delivered promptly. In asking the co-operation of the public during the busy mailing season which is beginning, Carlisle Postmaster Howard K. Weach gives the following suggestions for Christmas mailing: Postage - Same time. Purchase your stamps in advance of the rush period Prepay postage fully on all mail. Addresses - All mail matter must be plainly and completely addressed, preferably in ink, giving street address, post office box or rural route.

## 70 Years Ago

Plans for the reorganizing and enlarging the Nicholas County Farm Bureau were launced Saturday night at a banquet given by the Bureau at the Feedback hotel. Immediate membership goal was set at 300 by the group and committees were appointed to canvas each district in the county.

Fines amounting to \$355,000 were imposed Thursday upon four tobacco companies and

thirteen of their executives by Federal Judge H. Church Ford who were convicted October 27 by a jury which heard their twenty-week trial on price-fixing and monopoly charges.

Robert H. Anderson, Louisville night-club operator, was found guilty of the murder of Marion Miley, Lexington, Lexington golf star, by a jury in the Fayette Circuit Court Friday after a full twenty-four hour deliberation. Tom C. Penny and Raymond S. "Skeeter" Baxter, who also are connected with the crime, went on trial this week.

## 80 Years Ago

Under the auspices of the relief committee of the Nicholas County Red Cross chapter, Red Cross thrift bags will be distributed throughout Carlisle today for the collection of wearing apparel to be distributed among the poor and needy families of the county. Accompanying each bag will be a letter naming the vari-

ous articles wanted. The bags will be collected on Saturday. The committee in charge of distributing and collecting the thrift bags is Mrs. R. J. Matson, Mrs. Ben Alexander and Mrs. A. T. Gardner.

Judge Paul D. Darnall, who for the past three years has acted as secretary of the Kentucky County Judges Association, was elected vice president of their association at its annual meeting held in Louisville last week. This is a deserved honor for our popular fellow townsman and means that he will, in all probability, be elected president of the Association at the next annual meeting.

In an effort to be of service to its members, Nicholas Post No. 17, American Legion, has decided to hold a registration of all unemployed veterans of the World War and will made an effort to help these veterans to obtain employment during the winter.

## Nicholas County Farm Bureau receives 2012 Women's Gold Star Award of Excellence



**Photo Submitted**  
Linda House, chair of the Nicholas County Farm Bureau Women's Committee (left), accepts the 2012 Gold Star Award of Excellence from Phyllis Amyx, chair of the Kentucky Farm Bureau state Women's Committee (right). The award was presented during a December 7 recognition program at the 93rd Kentucky Farm Bureau annual meeting.

Recognized for the achievements of its women's program this year, Nicholas County Farm Bureau received the 2012 Gold Star Award of Excellence during Kentucky Farm Bureau's annual meeting in Louisville. The award honors county Women's Committees for active participation in leadership development programs, agricultural promotion, educational initiatives and numerous other aspects of support to the local Farm Bureau.

With nearly 500,000 member families statewide, Kentucky Farm Bureau is the state's largest general farm organization. Approximately 1,700 members attended KFB's 93rd annual meeting, December 5-8, to recognize this year's individual and organizational achievements as well as adopt policy for 2013. To view all the updates released from this year's annual meeting, visit KYFBNewsroom.com.

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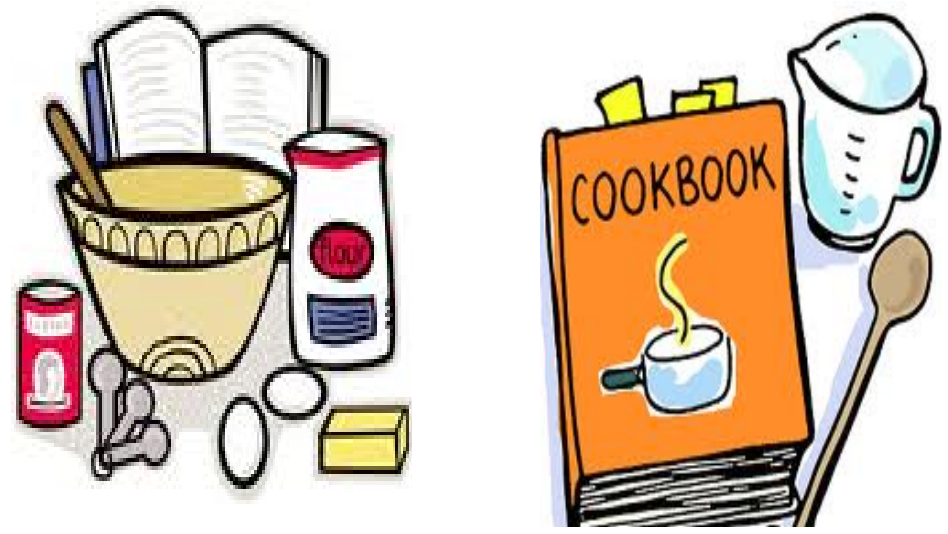
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# OPINION

## TRIANGLE NEWS HEADQUARTERS~SALTWELL~BARTERVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brady, Doris Doyle, Marjorie Fryman, Brenda Nolen, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Dryden sure enjoyed the senior citizen supper on Wednesday night held at the Elks Building, Cynthiana. Following that games are played and many door prizes given.

There were 288 people there and it was announced that all plates were served in 17 minutes. "Doc" Bennett asked the blessing. The place was decorated and had a big tree and tables with poinsettias.

On Friday Night, near 100 people enjoyed the Woodmen of the World Christmas supper held at the 4-H center in Harrison County. Jeff Doyle, representative and financial services asked the blessing, then we had the pledge to the flag. Charles and Shelby Doyle cooked the hams and turkeys, dressing, noodles, tea etc. with others potluck and they'd purchased about 20 door prizes and wrapped them putting them under the tree they put up. Also many poinsettias on the tables were given for

prizes. Jeff paused out wall and desk calendars and also nice date books and pens. It was a fun night for all.

The Headquarters U.M. Church had their Christmas dinner on Sunday following the worship service. Mrs. David Earlywine cooked the turkey and all the trimmings, as she has done for so many years.

The Saltwell United Methodist Women had their Christmas meeting on Sunday afternoon with 16 in attendance. "The Purpose" was recited. Prayer requests were given and the missionaries named. Sue Tanner prayed for these. Phyllis Gaunce gave the devotional titled "Christmas". The program was given by Esther and Nyiri Weidle. It was about the History of the Christmas tree and the meaning of the tree and what some symbols stand for and had a small tree for that, although the church had a lovely large tree. Esther had a treat for everyone. (Candy and homemade ornaments) Sharon Feedback also made everyone a small Kleenex holder. Molly Smith read the minutes and roll call with 28 sick visits and 36

charities. New business was held offering taken. Sharon told about two stories from the Response magazine. The project for this month was giving winter wear to the school which we hang on a tinsel tree (just for tonight) Secret pal gifts were exchanged and new names drawn. Diana Phillips gave the dismissal prayer and blessing for our delicious meal.

ON Saturday afternoon Phyllis Brady, Brenda Nolen, and daughter Jennifer, Kevin and son Christian and Mike and Diana Phillips were among a large crowd who enjoyed the "Christmas Harrison County Live" at Harrison County High School. It was about 150 students from both the high school and middle school put on a "Singing" for over two hours which was exceptionally good. There were ensembles and solo's and some fun acts. There Phillips grandson was in it and Phyllis Brady's niece Sarah Jo Doyle was in about 7 acts or sons and at the end sang a song and played the guitar. This show and concert was performed two days.

## Thoughts from the Pastors Study

*"Christmas Joy"*  
Carey McGuire, pastor  
First Christian  
Church, D.O.C.  
Carlisle, Ky

When I was a child in the sixties, around Thanksgiving my friend and I would get a Sear's Wish Book catalogue. We would spend hours during the following weeks making our wish list and changing it several times. I also loved the days in school leading up to Christmas break when time was allocated for drawing and coloring pictures of Santa, Rudolph and various snowmen and winter scenes. When we put up the tree, a real one, I loved to lay under the tree and look up through the limbs and view the decorations from the inside, all the while listening to Christmas records, yes actual vinyl records, and eating the candy Momma made once a week during holidays. Andy Williams, Bing Crosby, Ernie Ford, and a multitude of philharmonics danced in our ears and put smiles on our faces and for a while all was wonder and joy. Getting together with cousins and grandparents were fun and laughter filled each room as the Men told stories and "off color" jokes while the Women talked about the men and other gossip. There was always the feeling of hope, joy, anticipation and goodwill. Church was especially wonderful during Christmas. The children's choir and the adult choir would work together on the Christmas program, some were given roles and costumes for the Nativity scene. The church was decorated and was bustling with activity and fun, and all the while you felt the presence of God smiling on us as we celebrated the birth of his Son.

tree and the lights? No More Wish Book! I have heard one of the saddest comments I ever heard about Christmas recently, "Christmas is for kids". What a tragic outlook and what a load of bull! The exact opposite is true, Christmas is for everyone of all ages, all races, all religions, all nations, all that is within God's creation, everything. Jesus was born, sent by God, to save us, all of us. Children are excited about Christmas because of the obvious holiday trappings listed above. Even if they understand the reason for the season is Jesus, they are innocent of exploitation because they should be allowed to be children and enjoy the gifts and decorations. But as you grow each phase of life can enhance the joy and anticipation of Christmas by getting deeper and deeper into the event in relation to your faith journey. As older teens you can enjoy the wide eyed wonder of younger siblings or cousins or neighbors. And you can share the season with girlfriend or boyfriend, romance at Christmas is intoxicating. Adults can have great joy and anticipation during Christmas. Giving to Children and grandchildren can be a beginning but there is so much more.

If you are looking to regain that child like Christmas joy and anticipation I have the best way to get that back. What better time to start, restart, or fortify your faith journey than at Christmas, the advent, the birth of our savior. Find a church that meets your needs, has children, and makes you feel the spirit moving and doing great things, First Christian for example. God is doing a new thing with us and one of the best things is that for the first time since I have been here we are having a Children's Christmas play and music, and party, on the 16th of December at 6:30pm. This is

just like the atmosphere I described in the opening paragraph. I personally am recapturing the joy and anticipation of Christmas that has been missing since my divorce and my daughters grew up and got married and moved away. I know many of you have the same feeling of missing the Christmas joy due to your own situations. I assure you that you can regain that feeling. All you need for joy and anticipation of wonderful things is Jesus. Not only at this season but for all your life. Church is the place Jesus wants us to go to share the Christmas celebration and get the Holy Spirit inside us. Christmas as an adult is in many ways better than as a child. We know what will happen after the birth. The life and ministry of Jesus gives us paths to live by that make life wonderful each day. The death and resurrection of Jesus gives us life itself and a path to the Kingdom of God. So knowing the implications gives us a different reason for Christmas joy and anticipation than when we were children, a more powerful, deeper emotional, more personal reason to have the joy and anticipation of Christmas.

So enjoy Christmas, use it as a starting point to follow Jesus, find a church you can love, enhance your faith journey. God loves us and wants us to be giddy with joy during the birthday celebration of his Son. And he loves us and wants us to be with him in the Kingdom. Whatever age, Christmas is for you. The birth of Jesus is for you. The joy and anticipation of Christmas is for you. Jesus was born to us, Jesus was resurrected for us, Jesus is alive, and Jesus will be back. That alone is reason to be filled with joy and anticipation every minute of every day. God bless you all and MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## BREAD OF LIFE

Psalm 103:verse 2 Bless the Lord O my soul and forget not all his benefits. The provision for all that God has promised us- Salvation, healing, divine health, protection, and prosperity has already been established in Heaven and Earth. Look what God spoke into the Earth thousands of years ago through a prophet named Isaiah

Isaiah 53 verses 4 and 5. Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted 5. But he was wounded for our transgressions He was bruised for our iniquities the chastisement of our peace was upon Him and with His stripes we are healed. Jesus came to Earth and fulfilled this prophecy. For whosoever will believe in their heart. Receiving what God has done is entirely up to you and me as believers.

Proverbs Chap 3 verse 1 my son, forget not my laws but let thine heart keep my commandments 2. For length of days and long life and peace, shall they add to thee. 3. Let

not mercy and truth forsake thee, bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart. Your heart is the soil that the seed "The word of God" must live and grow in. The heart is where the word abides and grows. Your faith is your personal application of Fathers word over your life. The enemy does not want you to have the victorious abundant life that Jesus paid for.

Psalm 23 verse 5 thou (God) preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. The table that he has is the bread of life, the living word of God. You have to feed your heart "The Spirit Man" spiritual food, the word of God.

Matthew 4:4 it is written. Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Mark 11:22 Have faith in God.

Romans 10:17 so then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God. Take a large dose of God's word daily, it has great side effects.

Faith takes action by speaking Gods word

over our lives. Hebrews 11:1 now faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen. There are 7000 promises in the word of God and they are all yes and amen to the believer.

Romans 10 verse 8 But what saith it? they word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth; that is the word of faith, which we preach. Come to the table he has prepared daily.

Proverbs 4:20 attend to my words: incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes keep them in the midst of thine heart for they are life unto those that find them and health to all their flesh. Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life.

II Corinthians 1:20 for all the promises of God in Him are yes. And in Him Amen unto the Glory of God by John 14:23-John 15:14 you can shout now. God is so good to his Children.

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## Ellisville Homemakers

The Ellisville Homemakers met on Wednesday at the home of Patsy Smoot. Her home was lovely decorated and Jo Ann Martin was co-host. There were 19 in attendance. Phyllis Alexander read the Christmas story and Arthur Buzzard had prayer. The old and new business was discussed. It was decided on the projects to do which was helping the needy. Faye Buzzard gave the minutes and Debbie Workman had the treasurer's report. A delicious meal was served partly by Patsy and Jo Ann with others potluck. Gifts were ex-

changed by Mary Jo McCord reading the story that has so many words of left or right in and we passed the gifts back and forth until when story was done we kept the gift we had at that time. Phyllis Brady had a game about Christmas

words and prize was won by Debbie Workman. We all received a nice gift from Patsy Smoot and Jo Ann Martin. They'd made jam cakes for each person and also a bookmark and pen about friendship was given.



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Photos by Petrea Mitchell  
East Union Church First Place winner in the Christmas Parade on Dec. 1.



Riley Stull enjoyed the Christmas parade on Dec. 1



Photos by Eric Tolson  
The Nicholas County Little League season continued last Saturday at the NCS gymnasium. Boys and girls games were played from 9 am to 5 pm and included matches from every team in either league.

# Jackets drop district game to Harrison County



Photo by Eric Tolson

Landon Sexton jumps for the ball against district rivals Harrison County.

The Nicholas County High School boys' basketball team had a two-game winning streak snapped on Friday night, falling to Harrison County. Visiting Harrison County pulled away to defeat Nicholas County 71-48.

"I didn't feel like we were ready to play at all," Nicholas County Coach Kevin Reinhardt commented. "We played pretty bad in the first half. They played pretty well and we were only down ten. It should have been less than that but we fouled a guy at the buzzer shooting a three and he made it. I know we are better than what we played. Good news is it's December and we get them again."

The Thorobreds used a 21-11 run in the third quarter to pull away from Nicholas County. Harrison County led at the end of each quarter. The Thorobreds paced a 37-27 lead into halftime. Harrison County improved to 3-1 after posting the win.

Landon Sexton led Nicholas County with a team-high 14 points. Sexton was one of only two Nicholas County scorers to reach double figures. Zach Howard added 11 points for the Jackets.

Austin Shepherd scored six points, Jacob Fryman five and Scott Keaton three for Nicholas County in the setback.

Devin Trussell, Austin Allison, Ben Duncan and Logan Fryman rounded

out the Nicholas County scoring with two points apiece.

Nicholas County committed 30 turnovers in the loss.

With the loss, Nicholas County dropped to 2-2.

Earlier in the week, Nicholas County played very well in a win over Bath County.

"We played a great team game," Reinhardt said, following his team's win over Bath County. "We had guys step out. Landon Sexton has been carrying a lot of the scoring load for us this year, but Scott Keaton came in and had 15 points and 14 rebounds. Austin Shepherd came off the bench and gave us 8 big points. He was a spark for us. Everyone played a role in this win and we were fun to watch."

Nicholas County is scheduled to visit Harrison County Feb. 1.

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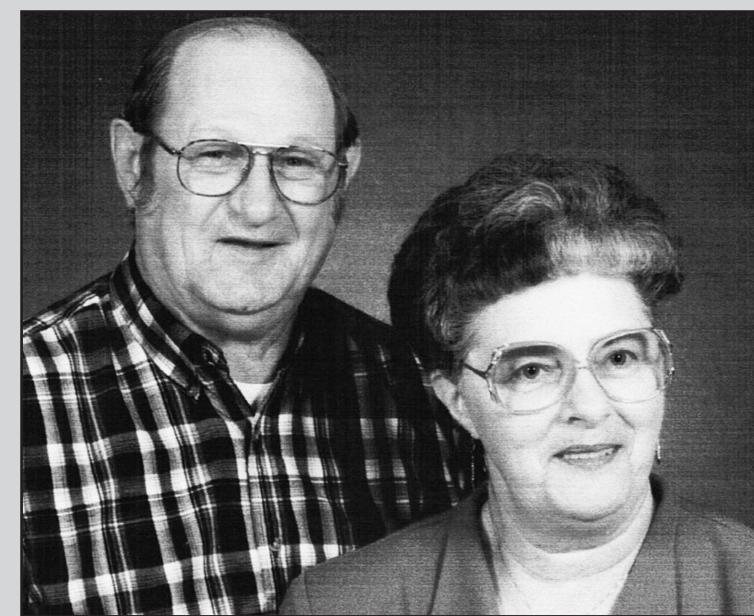
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Sam Reynolds, Chairperson City of Carlisle Independent Planning Commission

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The Family of Avery D. Thornsburg would like to thank all of those that came out to support us during the benefit on Sunday, December 9th. Thank you to all of the churches that furnished desserts and the businesses and citizens that made donations for the auction. Thank you to Eddie Purcell, Kevin Boling and friends for helping with the auction. Thank you to Dick Garrett for cooking the fish. Last but not least, a special thank you to Diane Ritchie and her crew for the wonderful meal that was prepared and all the hard work in arranging such a wonderful event. We are very grateful to have such caring people in our community.

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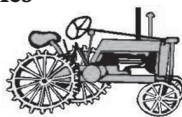
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# 4-H says "Thank You" to all supporters



**By Melissa Mitchell**  
Manager  
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On Wednesday night FCS/4-H Extension agent Rachel Abney and 4-H Council President Adam Tubbs, organized a nice holiday social dinner for volunteers, supporters, and 4-H Teen Council members to thank them for all of the hard work and dedication to help improve 4-H and make the 2012 year a big success.

What does 4-H actually mean? The true meaning of 4-H is health, heart, happiness and home, and with volunteers this helps the young citizens learn skills to help them in every aspect of the 4-H's.

Volunteers help bring in young members to 4-H to make them productive in various skills from carpentry, sewing, community services, leadership, and more. In 1927 at the first 4-H club meeting held in Washington D.C. adopt-

ed the 4-H pledge that reads:

"I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my hands to larger service and my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

Abney welcomed everyone to the social, followed by Tubbs reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Mrs. Phyllis Alexander gave the blessing.

Approximately 40 people attended and enjoyed the wonderful meal. Turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans, dressing, and all the trimmings, along with a nice fruit punch bowl dessert were served. Abney and Tubbs spent most of the day preparing the meal, with the help of Butch Alexander. Garrett's Restaurant donated the turkeys and two side items. Dessert was prepared by Jo Ann Martin of Sharpsburg.

After the meal, Tubbs introduced the guest

speaker, Harriett Groh. Groh is an outgoing individual who sings throughout the surrounding area and is so thankful to the Lord for giving her the gift of song.

In addition to her singing she has spoken at churches and community organizations about her journey "Walk with the Lord" and gives motivational and leadership talks to church youth groups and school groups.

She has worked at Emerson Industrial Automation (formerly known as Browning and EPT) Electric Corporation in Maysville for 21 years; she is currently the Human Resource Manager. Groh attends the Beebe Chapel C.M.E. Church in Ripley, Ohio and serves as the President of the Lay Council, Junior High Sunday School Teacher, Minister of Music, Arts and Drama, and a member of the Missionary Society and Voices in Praise.

and if we place humor in everything that we do will help get better results, humor makes things fun, and lightens the situation." Groh brought in her humor basket that she leaves placed on her desk to bring humor to the office during a stressful day. The first thing she showed everyone from her humor basket was a medal. "Everyone is a winner and sometimes we have to remind ourselves that we are a winner, megaphone for bringing laughter out of others, bears to give hugs when we are feeling down, a pencil with a pom pom to cheer for yourself when others don't, a star to remind her that she is a star, back scratcher for if you scratch my back I will scratch yours, Whistle to get ones attention, amongst other things, to bring humor out in everything that you do."

While speaking she asked for Dylan Watkins, Teen Council President and Shania Mitchell Teen Council Vice-President to come up. She asked each of them to place reindeer antlers on their heads, to demonstrate actions as she gave her demonstration. The example she used was Rudolph about how shy he was, Rudolph took the lead with his bright red nose so Christmas wouldn't be cancelled due to the bad storm. The point of the story was that Rudolph took the stand and led the sleigh to be sure that Christmas was not cancelled. Volunteers are like Rudolph they are leaders for organizations. We can all learn from Rudolph by keeping the following in mind:

"Don't be afraid to go out on your own, we are all in the same sleigh, plan ahead stay fit and

She has been a member of three gospel groups, Mixed Blessings, Blessed and the "Singing Diva's", a featured vocalist at Co-hearts Riverhouse, Ohio Tobacco Festival Pageant, and has sung the National Anthem at the Ohio Senate and Xavier University Basketball games.

Groh, brought laughter, joy and strong points to all that attended. She asked everyone what the true meaning of "Star" was, not just the stars in the sky.

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**Photos by Melissa Mitchell**

be ready, don't listen to critics just go on with the job that needs to be done, don't forget the people that helped you out, treat everyone with respect, size or youth isn't always advantage sometimes you need young people as well as the older ones, together you can accomplish more. Keep shining, don't stop, don't stop no matter what, listen and learn from others."

"Learn the five "P's", prior preparation prevents poor performance."

"Volunteers make a difference in 4-H, it takes people like the volunteers to make things happen."

Groh stressed to everyone that if you keep shining and striving together you will achieve the goals to make 4-H successful.

Towards the end of the social Abney and Tubbs drew names out for door prizes and certificates were given to recognize the volunteers and supporters for their hard work and dedication to help make 4-H a success.

4-H has been successful for many years and more to come. Extension office personnel and volunteers put a great deal of time and dedication into 4-H so that many of our children in the community can be part of a historical organization to learn many lifelong skills that will be cherished and passed down for many years. If you would like to be a member or volunteer of 4-H please contact the Nicholas County Extension office at 859-289-2312, and just state "I want to be a part of 4-H". Be sure to say thank you as you see any of them in the community for a job well done.



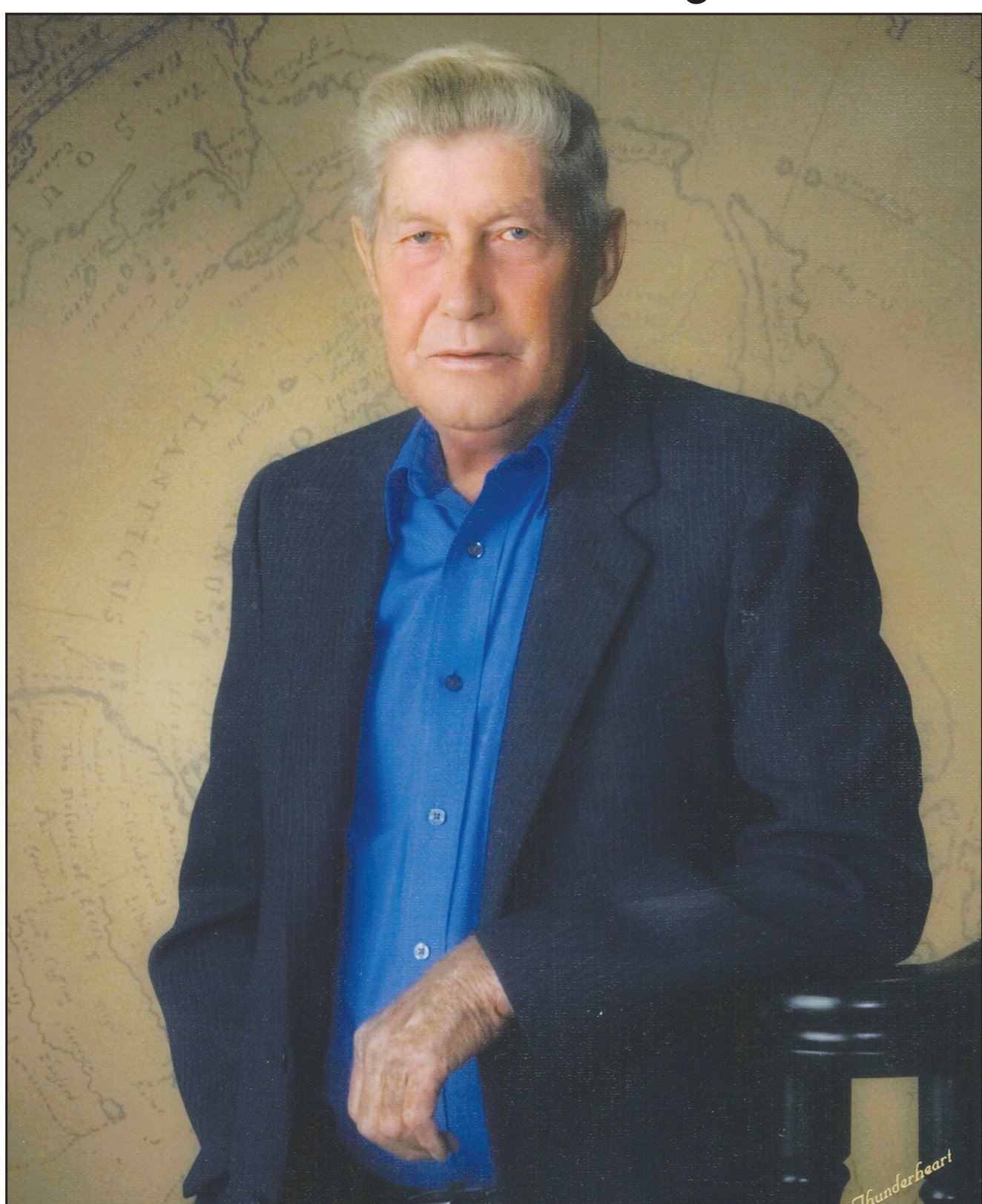
# Community comes together at benefit for the late Avery Thornsburg

By Melissa Mitchell  
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Sunday afternoon the community pulled together to show just how big the heart is from the little town of Carlisle. A little over 200 people attended the benefit that was for the late Avery Thornsburg's family to help cover medical expenses that accrued during his illness. Avery lost his battle to cancer on November 20, 2012.

Some members throughout the community came together to organize a benefit fish fry and auction to help cover some of the medical expenses. Fish was prepared by Dick Garrett, several assisted with serving the food, churches and other organizations donated dessert items.

Several local and surrounding area businesses and citizens donated items to be auctioned at the benefit. Eddie Purcell and Kevin Boling helped with auctioning off the items with assistance from associates from Kevin Boling Auction in Flemingsburg. Some items included



figurines, wreaths, tools, cakes and much more.

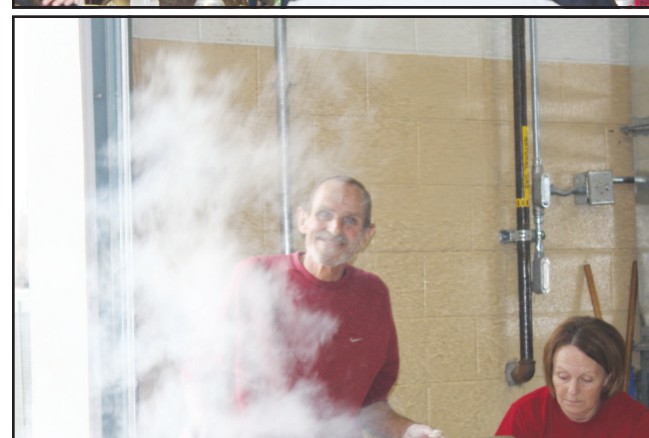
Tom Brady won the split the pot with earnings of 97.50, Marion Livingston was the winner of the 42" TV.

The benefit raised approximately \$2,700.00 that was given to his wife Wanda of 48 years. Wanda greatly appreciates everyone that helped organize, offered help, donated and attended the benefit.

Numerous people knew Avery throughout the community from being a mechanic, auto body repair, magistrate, neighbor and good friend. Avery will be greatly missed by family friends and the community. When you would see Avery he would always speak and be whistling along as he strolled through Carlisle and in the stores.

He touched many lives and his memory will carry on through a number of people. The family of Avery Thornsburg would like to express the thanks to each and everyone.

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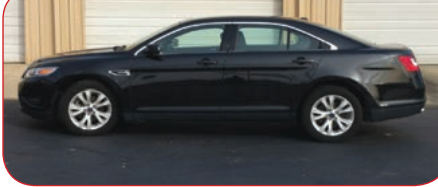
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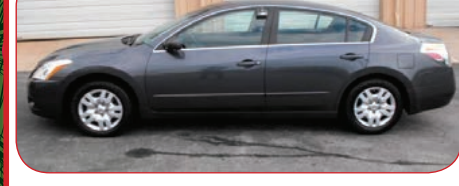
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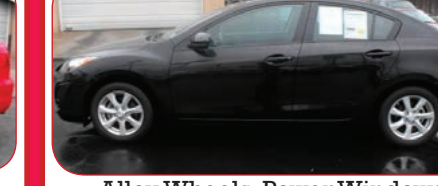
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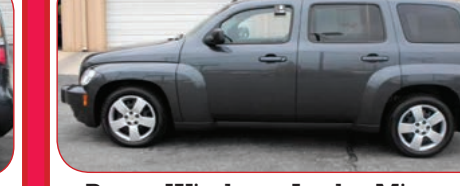
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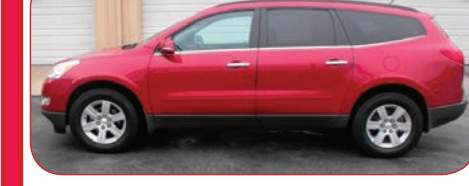
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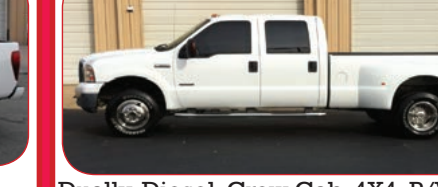
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# N.C.H.S. buys iPads



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By Eric Tolson  
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Nicholas County High School have recently purchased 30 iPads as a part of their Career and Technical Education Program, paid for through the receiving of \$48,000 from the Perkins Reserve Grant.

"The iPads provide a great opportunity for the students," said Doug Bechanan, Grant Writer and Safety Director. "They provide the need for students to be able to function with both PC and Mac formats, which is becoming more necessary in the world we live."

Until recently, students at Nicholas County Schools have had limited opportunity to use Mac based programs and computers.

"We have primarily had a PC-based computer platform over the year," said Bechanan.



Photo by Eric Tolson Allison's Concrete, located on Maysville Road in Nicholas County, offered local children the opportunity to come visit Santa Claus on Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. Several children from the area came to Allison's to give their Christmas lists and letter to Santa and have their picture taken.



Photo by Eric Tolson Local senior citizens were treated to an evening of food, fun and entertainment at last Friday's "Rockin' Christmas" at the Nicholas County Elementary School. Sponsored by the Carlisle Rotary Club, this allows senior citizens to enjoy some free food and musical entertainment, all while socializing with their friends and family.

"Most of the students in the school have had little to no experience using Mac computers or products, which are becoming a bigger part of society as time passes. Allowing them to use the iPads is a great way to integrate an Apple-based platform into the curriculum."

The iPad is a line of tablet computers designed and developed by Apple Inc. The iPad runs on a much different operating system than PC devices. Its user interface is built around a multi-touch screen with a virtual keyboard and runs several applications.

"We currently have 30 iPads for our Career and Technical Education Program," stated Bechanan. "Students will be able to

use them at school as a part of our math curriculum and small business program."

In previous years, the school has purchased netbooks, which operate on a PC-based platform.

The school currently has 60 Netbooks that students can check out and take home to use for homework.

"There are many people to thank for this," explained Bechanan. "This

wouldn't be possible if it weren't for Kacey Miller, the high school Guidance Counselor, Kim Simons, the Business teacher at the high school, and just an entire committee full of people."

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# Robertson County Farm Bureau receives 2012 Women's Gold Star Award of Excellence



Photo Submitted  
 Rosalee King (left), co-chair of the Robertson County Farm Bureau Women's Committee, accepts the 2012 Gold Star Award of Excellence from Phyllis Amyx, chair of the Kentucky Farm Bureau state Women's Committee (right). The award was presented during a December 7 recognition program at the 93rd Kentucky Farm Bureau annual meeting.

Recognized for the achievements of its women's program this year, Robertson County Farm Bureau received the 2012 Gold Star Award of Excellence during Kentucky Farm Bureau's annual meeting in Louisville. The award honors county Women's Committees for active participation in

leadership development programs, agricultural promotion, educational initiatives and numerous other aspects of support to the local Farm Bureau. With nearly 500,000 member families statewide, Kentucky Farm Bureau is the state's largest general farm organization. Approximately

1,700 members attended KFB's 93rd annual meeting, December 5-8, to recognize this year's individual and organizational achievements as well as adopt policy for 2013. To view all the updates released from this year's annual meeting, visit KYFBNewsroom.com.

# Deming drops home game to Bracken County

The Deming Devils fell victim to a 20-5 run early in the second half on Friday night, falling to visiting Bracken County in the Devil's Dome. Bracken County pulled away to beat Deming 68-36.

With the win, Bracken County evened its record to 2-2.

The loss kept Deming winless as the Devils fell to 0-5.

Senior guard Austin Ray led Bracken County with 16 points. Ray drained four 3-pointers. As a team, Bracken County drained seven 3-pointers.

Bracken County featured three scorers in double figures. Junior guard Nathaniel Haight had 14 points and senior guard Philip Jefferson added 13 for the Polar Bears.

Senior center Eli Florer and eighth-grade guard Austin Crawford, aiding the Bracken County offensive attack, added eight points

apiece.

Deming hung with Bracken County throughout the first half. Bracken County clung to a 12-10 lead at the end of the opening quarter and Deming was deadlocked 15-15 with the Polar Bears with just over six minutes remaining in the second quarter. Sophomore guard Dawson Cooper went on a 5-0 run himself to allow Deming to tie the contest. Deming's success, however, proved to be short-lived as Bracken County battled back to take a 27-17 lead into halftime.

Bracken County led 53-31 at the conclusion of the third quarter.

Bracken County featured nine different scorers. Senior guard Grant Crawford chipped in three points while senior forward Chad Stephenson, junior forwards Ryan May and Scott Fite finished with two points each.

Only four Deming

players dented the scoring column. Junior forward Darren Edwards led Deming with a game-high 19 points. Accompanying Edwards in double figures, Cooper contributed 11 points for the Devils.

Junior guard Tyler Burns scored five points and freshman forward Logan Courtney sunk a free throw for the Deming boys' basketball team.

Deming is scheduled to visit Bracken County for a late-regular-season game Feb. 12.

Bracken County 68,	Deming 36
Bracken County (68):	Jefferson 13, Florer 8,
Haight 14, Ray 16, G.	Crawford 3, A. Crawford
8, Stephenson 2, May 2,	Fite 2.
Deming (36): Cooper	11, Edwards 19, Burns
5, Courtney 1.	Bracken County....12
15 26 15-68	Deming.....10
7 14 5-36	



Photo Submitted  
 Deming FCCLA members are shown on their College Tour to Eastern Ky University. Each fall, the Chapter visits a college or university for academic information and a campus walking tour. FCCLA stands for Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. Membership is open to any highschool Family and Consumer Science student.

# Lady Devils fall at Paris

The Deming Lady Devils overcame an eight-point deficit the conclusion of the first quarter to tie its road game against Paris Thursday evening. Deming, however, fell victim to another double-digit deficit in the second half as Paris pulled away to win 57-44.

Host Paris excelled in the opening quarter, outscoring Deming 12-4. But the Lady Devils, under the direction of veteran head coach Thomas Mitchell, controlled the second quarter. Deming outscored Paris 20-12

in the second quarter to leave the game knotted 24-24 at halftime.

Paris managed to pull away in the back and forth non-district battle, thanks in big part to an impressive 15-5 run in the third quarter.

The Lady Hounds returned to the win column following a lopsided loss to Montgomery County two nights earlier. With the win, Paris evened its records to 2-2.

Deming, which features only six players, dropped to 0-5 following the loss.

Sophomore guard Lac-

ey Mitchell led the Lady Devils with 23 points. Mitchell was the only Deming scorer to reach double figures. Eighth-grade guard Aletha Thomas followed, tossing in seven points for the Lady Devils.

Eighth-graders Madison Fryman and Breanna Hesler rounded out the Deming scoring with three points apiece.

Deming will host Pendleton County Wednesday night. Tip-off for the Deming-Pendleton County girls' basketball game is set for 6:30 p.m.

# St. Patrick uses 10-0 second quarter run to defeat Devils

Visiting Deming faced a tough early-season test on the road last week. Host St. Patrick performed well and was successful in a bid to turn back the Devils.

Senior guard Cory Jodrey scored a game-high 19 points and junior forward William McKay contributed 11 as host St. Patrick defeated Deming 58-35 Tuesday night (Dec. 4).

The win allowed St. Patrick to move one game above .500 as the Saints improved to 3-2.

With the loss, Deming dropped to 0-4.

St. Patrick used a 10-0 run in the second quarter to fend the Devils. The Saints owned a lead at the end of each quarter.

St. Patrick thrived early, outscoring Deming 17-12 in the opening period. The Saints then used their 10-0 run in the second quarter to carry a 27-12 lead into halftime.

Deming had trouble taking care of the basketball in the first half,

committing 11 turnovers.

Ultimately, St. Patrick enjoyed a scoring advantage over Deming in each quarter. The Saints led 38-21 at the end of the third period.

Sophomore forward Andrew Sticklen scored eight points while senior guard Harrison Applegate and senior forward Derrick McCall chipped in seven apiece for the Saints.

St. Patrick shot 44.9 percent from the field, finishing 22-of-49. The Saints were five-of-14 from 3-point range.

St. Patrick made nine-of-15 attempts from the free throw line.

In all, eight different St. Patrick players provided scoring.

Sophomore guard Dawson Cooper led Deming with 11 points. Eighth-grade forward Myles Murphy scored eight points, junior guard Tyler Burns six, junior forward Darren Edwards five, sophomore guard Nathan Grigson three and freshman forward Wesley McCloud two for the Devils.

The Devils were only 11-for-42 from the field against St. Patrick.

Deming is scheduled to host St. Patrick on Jan. 4.



Photo Submitted  
 This group of Deming Senior Lifeskills students recently spent a day on and around the Morehead State University campus job shadowing in a variety of career choices. Resumes, cover letters, job applications and interviewing skills are some of the topics they have covered in their class at Deming in preparation for the Job Shadowing trip. They were accompanied by their advisor, Janice Gifford.

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