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# OPINION

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Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky By Charles Mattox

I had planted some late corn and beans and an extra tomato plant

or two, and was sitting under the 350+ year-old walnut tree, soaking up its endless, cool shade the other evening, admiring my work and sippin' on a cold Ale 8; listening to the birds whistling and cicadas humming, and as I stared out at the garden, but nothing really at all, I suddenly remembered seeing my late father in a lawn chair, drinking a class of tea after gardening near that exact spot over 50

years ago.

sitting Time flies, dear reader. hundreds

My father was an extremely disciplined man and the ethics and survivor traits and 'The Code' he lived by had been solidified within his soul as a teenage military policeman in war-torn Japan, and later the frozen, cauldron of violence that was Korea.

Daddy raised all his children hard. He seemed to take a shine to me as I entered the teen years, taking me on his trapline and along on hundreds of fishing and hunting trips.

Good behavior was met

with a nod of approval. Undesirable behavior was met with a belt or flyswat, but really, I always just laughed at Mommy's flyswat!

My nine year old son, Cassidy, has never been spanked and I've never pushed him physically in the woods, garden, or while doing any chore. I'm not sure if that's a success or failure.

Time will tell.

## **COMMUNITY** Congrats to these Nicholas County teachers on their recent accomplishments!!!

On Tuesday, June 10, 2025, six NCES teachers completed a challenging two-year rank change program through KEDC, with Mandy Anderson serving as their mentor.

Jenny Sims, Amanda Koeder, Emma Newell, Madeline Mynear, Ashley Hunter, and Jenna Smoot are now certified in LETRS—Language Essentials for the Teachers of Reading and Spelling. Brandi Brewer will complete the program in July.

LETRS is a professional learning program for educators designed to deepen their understanding of the science of reading and enhance literacy instruction.

Also, teachers Mallory Harmon and Kayla Underwood recently represented Nicholas County Schools at EDUCON 2025; Making a Difference: Inspiring and Empowering Middle School Students.

We are incredibly proud of the hard work, time, and dedication these educators have shown. Their efforts will have a lasting impact on reading achievement in our schools.

# **OBITUARIES**

### UPCOMING AUCTION JUNE 21 | 9:00AM 3810 ISLAND CREEK RD., WEST UNION, OH 45693

BOBCAT S185 WITH ATTACHMENTS, 2000 HARLEY DAVIDSON MOTORCYCLE, 2012 CADILLAC SRX4, 2001 DODGE RAM PICKUP, 1998 GMC DUMP TRUCK, INDUSTRIAL FORD TRACTOR, MORITZ 25 FT TRAILER, BAD BOY ZERO TURN MOWER, MASSIE FERGUSON BACKHOE, INTERNATIONAL S1600 DIESEL TRUCK, LARGE AMOUNT OF SHOP & WOOD WORKING TOOLS, RADIO COLLECTION, ANTIQUES & FARM ITEMS

#### Jewellynn Renae Purvis

Jewellynn Renae Purvis was brought into this world June 9, 2025, as a sleeping angel to Kirsten Herrington and Brandon Purvis. She survives with her grandparents Heather (Spring) Carpenter and Heather (Jason House) Crump, also two aunts Hannah Purvis, Paisley Watkins and Uncle River House. grandparents Great Vicky (Duck) Purvis, Mi-

chelle Caldwell, Dorothy Patton, Rick Crump and Timmy Mitchell. Jewellynn was preceded in death by her grandparents Timbo Mitchell and Michael Purvis, great grandparents Terry Herrington Sr., Mitchell Purvis and Robin Mitchell, one Uncle Johnathon Wayne. A small private gathering was held on June 11, 2025, from 5 – 7 pm at Carlisle-Clark Funeral Home.

#### NICHOLAS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY will be holding their regular monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday of each month @ 1:00.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR** 

#### NICHOLAS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2nd Tuesday of the

2nd Tuesday of the month starting at 6:00 pm at 110 S. Broadway St.

#### NICHOLAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT MEETING

The Nicholas County Water District monthly board meeting will be held at the water district 4th Tuesday of every month at 5:00 p.m.

#### CARLISLE-NICHOLAS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Carlisle - Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce will meet the 1st Mondy of each month at 8:30am at the Neil Building.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING

The EDA meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00PM.

#### PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Park and Recreation committee meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30p.m. in the Court house. Public is welcome to attend.

#### NICHOLAS COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT #2

Sanitation District #2 (Lake Carnico area) meets the third Friday of each month at 3:00 pm at the Nicholas County Courthouse.

#### CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

City Council meeting, second Monday of each month at 7 PM, City Hall.

#### CARLISLE ROTARY CLUB The Carlisle Rotary

Club meets every Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. at Carlisle Depot.

#### SATURDAY LUNCH & LEARN LECTURE -WORTHINGTON LODGE – ARLINGTON ROOM

Enjoy a first person interpretation of "Welcome to the Grand Opening of Kentucky by Dr. Thomas Walker" as portrayed by Andy Teasley, Park Manager at Dr. Walker State Park. Program is free, lunch can be purchased.

#### FREE DENTAL AND MEDICAL

About the FREE Dental and Medical Services available at The Post Clinic 15 Sterling Avenue Mt. Sterling, KY Phone: 859-498-0231

#### CHURCHES

#### MOUNTAIN ASSEMBLY CORNERSTONE CHURCH OF GOD You are welcome, Everyone Inivted Sunday morning worship service @ 11 A.M. Mountian Assembly Cornerstone Church of God 102 South Broadway

Sonny Gibson Pastor

#### MT. ZION CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Worship Service 11:00am Pastor Johnathan Allison

### GOD'S HOUSE OF

PRAYER 156 Calcutta Road, Carlisle, Ky 40311 Sunday Morning: 11 AM Thursday Evening: 6

### PM WESLEY CHAPEL

CHURCH You're invited to Wesley Chapel Church 604 N. Broadway Street, Carlisle, KY Sunday Service starts

### CARLISLE PRESBYTERIAN

at 10:30 am

CHURCH 330 N Broadway Carlisle, KY Worship Sunday 10:45 AM Rev. Jack Robinson, PhD Facebook: Carlisle Presbyterian Church

AUCTIONEER: HERBERT ERWIN 937-544-8252

TERMS: CASH, GOOD CHECK W/ PROPER ID

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

An ordinance amending the Nicholas County budget for fiscal year 2024-25 to include unanticipated receipts from all funds in the amount of \$ 489,767.81 and increasing expenditures in all funds for this amount was adopted by the Nicholas County Fiscal Court on June 13, 2025.

A copy of the adopted ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the office of the county judge/executive during normal business hours.

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The Rowan County Public Library is seeking proposals from qualified, licensed, and insured roofing contractors to perform a full asphalt shingle roof replacement. The project scope includes removal of the existing roof, inspection of the decking and structural components, and installation of a new shingle roofing system in accordance with applicable codes. Interested parties should contact the library or visit rowancountylibrary.org/jobs for full specifications and proposal guidelines. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the library June 23 at 1pm.

# STOP!!!

Are you paying too much for your medicare supplement?

According to a NEW LAW, you may save up to 50% on premium with the same benefits!

# **GUARANTEED ISSUE!!!**

# **NO HEALTH QUESTIONS**

Come in and see Jim at one of the locations listed below or call for a personal appointment.

## 606-683-2104 or 859-948-4376

JIM WILL BE AT SOPER'S DRUG (227 W. MAIN ST., CARLISLE, KY) JUNE 4TH, 11TH, 18TH, 25TH FROM 10A.M. TO 4P.M.

JIM WILL BE AT ROSS DRUG (125 FOXGLOVE DR. #1, MT. STERLNG, KY) JUNE 5TH, 12TH, 19TH 26TH FROM 10A.M. TO 4P.M.

> JIM WILL BE AT MED SAVE (136 JESSICA LANE, OLIVE HILL, KY) JUNE 6TH, 13TH, 20TH, 27TH FROM 10 A.M. TO 4P.M.

