

# MERCURY MEMORIES

1955

\$1,055 Raised from Benefit Dinner; Dr. T.P. Scott Honored by Citizens

At the second annual Nicholas County hospital benefit dinner, held Thursday at Forest Retreat, the old Governor Metcalfe home, now owned by Dr. and Mrs. Eslis Asbury, approximately \$1,100 was raised toward the purchase of a fracture table for the local hospital.

OTHER NEWS

John F. Campbell, Indian war vet dies in

Maysville

Queen candidates being selected

Southern States directors to meet

TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss Patsy Asbury weds Mr. Bobby Webb on June 12

Mr. & Mrs. Dudley Davis announce the birth of daughter, Marlyn Sue on June 14

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mitchell announce the birth of son, Michael Richard on June 16

ADS OF THE WEEK

Straw rugs 57 cents/

Carlisle Variety & Jr. Dept Store

Green beans 9 cents lb/Neals

Full size steel chair \$4.95/Modern Furniture

1975

Carlisle boys find robbery clues; Vaughn tells about stick up

Five Carlisle boys discovered evidence on Wednesday night, June 18, concerning the robbery of the Farmers Exchange Bank of Millersburg which occurred earlier that day. State Police and FBI were called to the scene.

OTHER NEWS

Nine girls vie for Blackberry Festival title

Mrs. Conrad named Director of Pupil Personnel here

Film crew documents Cane Ridge history

TALK OF THE TOWN

Nina Baugus celebrates 95th birthday

Mr. & Mrs. Steven Glenn Minton, Lexington announce the birth of son, Brian Glenn on May 29

ADS OF THE WEEK

Latex ceiling paint

\$5.19/Ratliff Bros IGA perch fillets 89 cents/IGA

Kelloggs pop tarts 49 cents/C & G Foodtown

1995

No teacher salary cuts announced yet by Nicholas County Board of Education

No teacher salary cuts were announced at the Nicholas County Board of Education meeting held Monday night. Instead, a financial restructuring professional advised the board to closely monitor expenditures.

OTHER NEWS

Blackberry Festival scheduled July 3-8

US 68 designated scenic highway

Fiscal court approves 1995-96 annual budget

TALK OF THE TOWN

Amanda Abnee receives U of L scholarship

ADS OF THE WEEK

July 4th special: hamburger, fries, slaw and slice of apple pie \$4.99/

Jerry's

Replacement spa covers \$239/Vonderhaas

## Nicholas County Grand Jury returns five felony indictments

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The Nicholas County Grand Jury was in session on Monday, June 16, 2025, and returned five felony indictments.

A grand jury indictment is a formal statement of charges against an individual before a case is turned over to a prosecutor in circuit court. It is not a conviction. All individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty or pleading guilty in court.

-Tyler Ray Watkins, 18, was indicted on one count of Theft by Unlawful Taking (\$1,000.00 or More but Less than \$10,000.00); and one count of Complicity to Theft by Unlawful Taking (\$1,000.00 or More but Less than \$10,000.00). Bail was set at \$5,000.00, and Mr. Watkins shall have no contact with his co-defendants, Megan Wat-

kins and Logan Sparks; and shall have no contact with the victim, victim's family, or the victim's property. Nicholas County Sheriff Jeff Sidles appeared as a witness before the Grand Jury.

-Logan Gene Sparks, 27, was indicted on one count of Receiving Stolen Property (\$1,000.00 or More but Less than \$10,000.00). Bail was set at \$5,000.00, and Mr. Sparks shall have no contact with his co-defendants, Tyler Watkins and Megan Watkins; and shall have no contact with the victim, victim's family, or the victim's property. Nicholas County Sheriff Jeff Sidles appeared as a witness before the Grand Jury.

-Samuel Robert Fryman, 65, was indicted on one count of Possession of a Controlled Substance (Oxycodone) in the 1st Degree - 1st Offense; one count of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia;

one count of Operating a Motor Vehicle while License is Revoked or Suspended for Driving Under the Influence - 1st Offense with Aggravating Circumstances : In Violation of 189A.010 at the Time of Operation; one count of Speeding 20 MPH Over the Limit; and count of Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence - 3rd Offense. Bail was set at \$5,000.00. Kentucky State Police - Trooper Tanner Jones appeared as a witness before the Grand Jury.

-Megan Marie Watkins (aka Megan Marie Hensley), 26, was indicted on one count of Theft by Unlawful Taking (\$1,000.00 or More but Less than \$10,000.00); and one count of Complicity to Theft by Unlawful Taking (\$1,000.00 or More but Less than \$10,000.00). Bail was set at \$2,500.00, and Ms. Watkins shall have no contact with her co-defendants, Tyler Wat-

kins and Logan Sparks; and shall have no contact with the victim, victim's family, or the victim's property. Nicholas County Sheriff Jeff Sidles appeared as a witness before the Grand Jury.

-Nicholas Aaron Caudill, 34, was indicted on one count of Rape in the 3rd Degree; and one count of Persistent Felony Offender in the 1st Degree. Bail was set at \$20,000.00, and Mr. Caudill shall not harass, annoy, telephone, contact, or otherwise communicate with the victim; shall stay away from the home of the victim and any other location where the victim is likely to be; shall not go upon the property of any school; and shall not have contact with any minors. Nicholas County Sheriff Jeff Sidles appeared as a witness before the Grand Jury.

## Mercury Memories Walk Down Memory Lane

Dear Billy Dale,

I read with great interest an article in the March 2, 2002, Lexington Herald-Leader, titled "Story About Sears House set in Kentucky." I was raised in a Sears house built some time during the 1910s in Arnold Heights. My mother, Mary Carpenter Swinford, purchased the house plan from Sears, which has started this fledgling industry in 1908, to boost demand for its building materials. If memory

serves me the house cost around 41200 and was built by local carpenters, using materials from the Carlisle market. I still have the Sears catalogue packed away from our move off Lexington's North Broadway where I lived for 41 years. My mother took great pride in the fact that she supervised the best built house in Carlisle. I am wondering if there are any other Sears houses in the Carlisle community?

Sincerely,  
Louise S. Wieman

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
Sandye Watkins  
NICHOLAS COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK

Notice is hereby given pursuant to KRS 395.625 that the following Settlements will lay over until 12:00 pm on the 18th day of July 2025, at which time hearing will be held in Nicholas District Court when said settlement shall be approved and recorded unless prior thereto exceptions have been filed.

Decedent/Ward: Grayson McCall  
Address: 4604 Crooked Creek Rd., Carlisle, KY 40311  
Fiduciary: Regina McCall  
Address: 4604 Crooked Creek Rd., Carlisle, KY 40311  
Title: Guardian  
Nature of Account: Periodic Settlement

Witness my hand this the 30th day of June, 2025

Sandye Watkins  
Nicholas Circuit Clerk

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ORDINANCE 2025-1			
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF CARLISLE, KENTUCKY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 2025 THROUGH JUNE 2026 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.			
Be it ordained by the City of Carlisle: <b>WHEREAS</b> , a budget proposal and message has been prepared and delivered to the City Council; and <b>WHEREAS</b> , the City Council has reviewed such budget proposal and made necessary modifications. <b>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF CARLISLE:</b> <b>SECTION 1.</b> The City of Carlisle hereby adopts the following budget for Fiscal Year July 2025 through June 2026 by estimating revenues and appropriating funds as follows:			
Resources Available	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL FUND	UTILITY FUND
Fund balance carried Forward	\$ 239,237	\$ 157,386	\$ 428,256
Estimated Revenues:			
Property Taxes	\$ 242,000		
Licensing & Permits	\$ 31,199		
Intergovernmental	\$ 5,000		
Franchise Fees	\$ 147,003		
Taxes	\$ 604,500		
Police	\$ 86,756		
Dispatch	\$ 275,000		
Fire	\$ 126,013		
Streets	\$	\$ 100,000	
Planning and Zoning	\$ 4,000		
Utility			\$ 634,600
Gas			\$ 846,747
Water			\$2,209,679
Sewer			\$ 335,202
Trash			\$ 34,500
Other	\$ 11,200		
Total Estimated Revenues	\$ 1,532,671	\$ 100,000	\$4,060,728
Total Resources Available For appropriation	\$ 1,771,908	\$257,386	\$4,488,984
APPROPRIATIONS	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL FUND	UTILITY FUND
Administrative	\$ 775,382		
Streets and Alleys	\$ 271,100		
Municipal Road		\$ 80,000	
Police	\$ 548,482		
Dispatcher	\$ 351,507		
Fire	\$ 169,048		
Planning & Zoning	\$ 2,418		
Utility			\$ 26,625
Gas			\$ 551,416
Water			\$ 754,895
Water Distribution			\$ 1,777,214
Sewer			\$ 391,503
Sewer Construction			\$ 109,628
Trash			\$ 282,174
Total Appropriations	\$ 2,117,937	\$ 80,000	\$ 3,893,455
Interfund Transfer	\$ 482,005		\$ 482,005
Estimated Fund Balance End of Fiscal Year	\$ 135,976	\$ 177,386	\$ 113,524
<b>SECTION 2.</b> This ordinance shall take effect as of July 1, 2025, upon its passage, approval and publication As required by law.			
Introduced on First Reading: June 09, 2025 Adopted on Second Reading: June 19, 2025 Signed by Mayor: June 19, 2025 Published in Paper in Full: July 2, 2025			
CITY OF CARLISLE, KENTUCKY Ronnie Clark, Mayor			
ATTEST: Angie Lyons, City Clerk			
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