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E-Sports Seniors

(L to R): Nathaniel Smith, Grayson McCall, Laynie Gray, Peyton Jackson, & Kaiden Warner. Last week, Kaiden Warner was unintentionally left out of the senior night special. We apologize for this mistake.

Nicholas County Fire Protection District holds monthly meetings

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Members of the Nicholas County Fire Protection District, including Nicholas County Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director Doug French, held their regularly scheduled monthly meetings on Jan. 13th and Feb. 10th, 2026.

During January's meeting, the meeting was called to order, along with the approval of the Dec. minutes, approval of the Treasurer's report, and approval of the Chief's report. The board approved to give Kim Sbanotto a yearly Christmas bonus, with Treasurer Vince Sbanatto abstaining.

During February's meeting, the meeting was called to order, along with the approval of the Jan. minutes, approval of the Treasurer's

report, and approval of the Chief's report.

The department had a total of 13 runs for the month of January, which include 3 motor vehicle accidents, 1 fire alarm, 3 structure fires, 2 EMS assists, 3 vehicle fires, and 1 chimney fire.

During the meeting the board discussed large animal rescue sponsors; moving the March meeting from the 10th to the 11th, 2026, which was approved; and talked about reimbursement for storm coverage.

The meeting was subsequently adjourned.

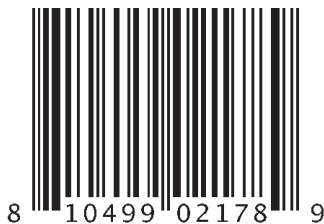


Photos courtesy of Nicholas County EMS Facebook page
Nicholas County EMS says "Thank you to the courthouse staff for taking the time to strengthen their life-saving skills and commitment to public safety!"
The Nicholas County EMS was happy to provide a quick AED training for the employees at the Nicholas County Courthouse.



Photo submitted The Carlisle Police Department, Carlisle Fire Department, Nicholas County EMS, and the Nicholas County Sheriff's Office responded to the scene of an accident on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 21, 2026, around the vicinity of Lee Lynn Manufacturing, located

on Concrete Road. Details regarding the accident were unfortunately unknown at presstime.



LadyJackets defeat the Fillies in the 1st round of the District Tournament



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The 2026 38th District Girls Basketball Tournament began on Monday, Feb. 23, 2026, held at Nicholas County High School.

The 1st round of games



saw a dominant Pendleton County LadyCats defeat Robertson County LadyDevils, 78-18, while the Nicholas County LadyJackets upset the Harrison County Fillies, 59-44.

Congratulations to Peyton Jolly of Robertson County, and Harrison County senior, Keylee Custard, on being named to the 38th District All District Team.

The LadyJackets, under Head Coach Reesa Martin, will take on the Pendleton County LadyCats, under Head Coach Patrick Kelsch, in the Championship game this coming Thursday, Feb. 26, 2026, at 7:00pm. Go Jackets!!!

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