

# COMMUNITY

## Nicholas County Criminal Sentencings, Nov. 2025-Jan. 4, 2026

**From the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office - 18th Judicial Circuit, which prosecutes felony offenses in Harrison, Nicholas, Pendleton, and Robertson Counties**

Sentencings for the weeks of 11/10/25 to 12/31/25...

**PRISON...** Tony Lee Cadle... sentenced to a total of 8 years imprisonment on the charges of Burglary in the 3rd Degree, Theft by Unlawful Taking (Less than \$500), Criminal Mischief in the 2nd Degree, Possession of a Controlled Substance (Gabapentin) in the 3rd Degree, and Persistent Felony Offender in the 2nd Degree; to be served consecutively to any felony sentences previously imposed. Probation was denied.

**PROBATION...** Junior Lee Fryman... sentenced

to a total of 7 years imprisonment on the charges of two counts of Wanton Endangerment in the 1st Degree, and two counts of Menacing. Probation was granted.

**PROBATION...** Todd Peter Meister... sentenced to a total of 5 years imprisonment on the charges of three counts of Wanton Endangerment in the 1st Degree, and Reckless Driving; to be served consecutively to any felony sentences previously imposed. Probation was granted.

**PROBATION...** Brandon Thomas Stephens... sentenced to a total of 5 years imprisonment on the charges of three counts of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, Theft by Unlawful Taking - Controlled Substance (Value Less than \$10,000), and Persistent Felony Offender in the 2nd Degree;

to be served concurrently with Mr. Stephen's other sentence in Harrison County Circuit Court, and consecutively to any felony sentences previously imposed. Probation was granted on the condition that Mr. Stephens successfully completes the Mental Health Court program.

**PROBATION...** Logan Gene Sparks... sentenced to a total of 2 years imprisonment on the charge of Receiving Stolen Property (\$1,000 or More but Less than \$10,000). Probation was granted.

**PROBATION...** William Jesse Linville... sentenced to a total of 1 year imprisonment on the charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine) in the 1st Degree - 2nd Offense, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Failure to Produce Insurance Card, Operating a Motor Vehicle on a Suspended or Revoked Operator's License, and Failure of Non-Owner Operator to Maintain Required Insurance - 1st Offense; to be served consecutively to any felony sentences previously imposed. Probation was granted.

der the Influence - 2nd Offense, Failure of Owner to Maintain Required Insurance - 1st Offense, and Failure to Wear Seat Belt. Probation was granted.

Sentencings for the week of 1/4/26...

**PROBATION...** Kenneth Allen Moore... sentenced to a total of 1 year imprisonment on the charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine) in the 1st Degree - 2nd Offense, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Failure to Produce Insurance Card, Operating a Motor Vehicle on a Suspended or Revoked Operator's License, and Failure of Non-Owner Operator to Maintain Required Insurance - 1st Offense; to be served consecutively to any felony sentences previously imposed. Probation was granted.

## Property Transfers

Christian P. Stoltzfoos and Lizzie B. Stoltzfoos to Susie Esh, for and in consideration of the sum of \$1.00, property located on the waters of Somerset Creek in Bath and Nicholas Counties, Kentucky.

Rodney L. Matthews and Denise R. Matthews to Dawn Curran Letcher, Trustee to Denise R. Matthews, for and in consideration of the immediate reconveyance, property located on the waters of Scrub Creek in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

EIP III Kentucky, LLC to Slater Farms, LLC, for and in consideration of the sum of \$275,000.00, property located on Mt. Mariah Road in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Monnie Sue Morton and Melen A. Tracey Mattox to Michael D. Smith and Miranda Smith, for and in consideration of an exchange of properties, property located on Rayne Street in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Michael D. Smith and Miranda Smith to Monnie Sue Morton and Melen A. Tracey Mattox, for and in consideration of an exchange of properties, property located on Rayne Street in the City of Carlisle in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Patricia K. Price and Blaine Price to Sassafras Oz, LLC, for and in consideration of the sum of \$59,500.00, property located on North Street in the City of Carlisle in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Austin T. Willoughby and Sarah C. Willoughby (formerly Jolly) to Eric Myers, for and in consideration of the sum of \$40,000.00, property located on Law Boulevard and Elizabeth Avenue in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Joseph R. Coblentz and Rose Ellen Coblentz, Joseph E. Coblentz and Elizabeth A. Coblentz, and Nathan Peachey and Rosemary Peachey to Lonnie Slaughter and Susie Slaughter, for and in consideration of the sum of \$670,000.00, property

located on Persimmon Ridge Road in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Adam Kent Beatty and Ashley Nicole Beatty to Matthew H. Carter, for and in consideration of the sum of \$200,000.00, property located on the waters of Stoney Creek on the line of the Maysville and Lexington Turnpike (US HWY 68) in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Trampis Porter and Wendy Porter to Trampis T. Porter and Cheyenne Porter, for and in consideration of the sum of \$135,000.00, property located on Sycamore Street in the City of Carlisle in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Tawnya C. Livingood Witt to Simon Eicher, Jr., for and in consideration of \$172,500.00, property located on Upper Sharpsburg Road and Old KY 57 in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Jeryl Gorzy and Resa Hersel to Toni Lynn Jeffries and Bradley Alan Jeffries, for and in consideration of \$190,000.00, property located in Lake Carnico Estates in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Billie R. Newman and Lois June Newman to Matthew Schmidt and Martha M. Schmidt, for and in consideration of the sum of \$55,000.00, property located on Carpenter Road (KY 386) in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Ecton Farm, LLC to M. Brewer, for and in consideration of the sum of \$157,000.00, property located on Moorefield Road in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Benjamin S. Fisher and Sylvia S. Fisher to Steven L. Vice and Michelle Vice, for and in consideration of a land exchange, property located on the Carlisle and Sharpsburg Turnpike Road in Nicholas County, Kentucky.

Steven L. Vice and Michelle Vice to Benjamin S. Fisher and Sylvia S. Fisher, for and in consideration of a land exchange, property located in Bath and Nicholas Counties.

## Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce discusses upcoming Nicholas County magazine, Candidate Forums, and more at March meeting

**By Michael A. Clary**  
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Members of the Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce met on Monday, March 2, 2026, at 8:30am, at the Neal Welcome Center, for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting.

The meeting was called to order with an introduction of the attendees, approval of the minutes from the February meeting, and approval of the financial report from January and February.

Under new business, the chamber discussed the upcoming Nicholas County magazine, including pricing, and selling advertisements for the magazine. Each magazine would be

approximately around 22 pages, and feature important dates and community events, along with advertisements from local Chamber members and businesses.

The chamber also discussed business cards, which would feature the chamber logo and a QR code. Chamber Treasurer Steve Scalf will print out and deliver the cards to Chamber Administrator Jerry Johnson to have at the Chamber office. Jerry will also be representing the Chamber at the Northern KY Pre-K Event - Office of the Governor.

The chamber also discussed two "Welcome To Carlisle" signs, which are stored in the basement of the Neal Welcome

Center. One sign will be placed on Rick and Mary Ann Storm's property on Moorefield Road, and the other sign will be placed at the intersection of Old Paris Road and US 68, in which Steve Scalf will research to find out the owner of that property and ask permission.

The chamber also discussed Candidate Forums for the primary election. These forums, which will take place in April, will be held at the Neal Welcome Center. Participants must be in attendance to ask questions, because it will not be aired on Facebook Live. It will be recorded and uploaded on the Chamber's Facebook page at the conclusion of the event for the public to view.

Before adjournment the chamber discussed membership reviews; the upcoming "Coffee with the Chamber" event, to be held at the Neal Building on April 10, 2026, from 8:30 to 9:30am, sponsored by Rhonda Curran Koth, Edward Jones Financial Advisor. With a "meet and greet" open to the public to learn more about the chamber and Rhonda's business.

The chamber also discussed renting a stage for the 2026 Christmas parade.

The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, April 6, 2026, at the Neal Welcome Center, at 8:30am.

The meeting was subsequently adjourned.

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