

# The Easterlys on world cruise; first sailing experience at Lake Carnico, on Scorpion

by Albert Ott publisher, Frankfort Staff Journal

"We got caught in the rules of life because we let ourselves get caught. It may be a good thing for the social organization of the world that we do. A community of Christians would be impossible. But the individual who refuses to accept these rules is good for all of us. He has lived not alone his own dream, but ours too."

That quotation from the "Gypsy Moth Circles The World," by Sir Francis Chichester, could describe Air Force Capt. Jim Easterly's last assignment as a test pilot in charge of Air Force Testing operations on Taiwan, surpassing the rate of commercial travel.

The two-time Distinguished Flying Cross winner and Barbara are sailing a 36-foot Trimaran (Lodestar design) 6,000 treacherous miles from the Taiwan harbor of Ai Ping to San Diego, Calif. christened the "Eurus," Chinese translation for easterly, and a lakoff on the words "East Wind," which the Easterlys hope will be firm but gentle, Eurus may stop in Okinawa and Tokyo before crossing the Pacific.

There, Barbara and Jimmy, as his father calls him, will make any repairs which the rigors of the voyage necessitate. Then they will cast off for the U.S.A., 5,000 miles and about 46 days on the forbidding north Pacific Ocean with only the birds, fish and each other for company. They expect to arrive in Tokyo Aug. 23 at 10 a.m. Jim's mother and father, Mr. and

Mrs. Ed Easterly, Frankfort, found out about their son and daughter-in-law's voyage in a letter which came last week.

Aboard Eurus are provisions and stores for about 80 days. Eurus is scheduled to dock in San Diego Sept. 23 and Jim is to report for duty at George AFB Sept. 30.

If all goes well, he and Barbara will travel about 190 miles per day, averaging eight miles per hour.

"Details of the trip are sketchy. About all the Frankfort Easterlys know is what is in the letter they received from Jim and Barbara."

"A couple of months before, around the end of March, I decided that I was ever going to own a boat, now is the time to plunge in. And that's exactly what we've done. The past few weeks have been expended in almost continuous planning and work on our new craft, a 36-foot Trimaran," the letter said.

To look at one, a Trimaran appears to have three parts, the central portion being the main hull which supports the sails and additional hulls on each side. Eurus will displace about 9,000 pounds, carries three by four sails, sleeps up to six and is made of plywood covered with fiberglass.

(Publisher's Note: Edgar Easterly introduced the Mercury's publisher sailing on Lake Carnico several years ago in a Scorpion II which barely had room for one person, let alone two. About a year later we were able to purchase together a Scorpion which has some 75-square feet of sail or nearly twice that of the Scamper. Easterly's sailing experience dates

back to his early days in Kentucky, when he sailed a 14-foot Scorpion on Lake Carnico near Carlisle.

In the letter to his parents, Jim gave more details about the trip:

"I had a few weeks to log it all, I would give you a fuller report of our exhaustive preparations for this voyage. Right now my mind is reeling with thickly entwined thoughts of stores, crew duties, navigation and weather."

"My first mate and only other crew member is, of course, Barbara. She along procured and stored our provisions—80 days of food and supplies. In addition, she has scrubbed and scrubbed Eurus from stem to stern."

"Fortunately, she cannot assist with the rigging and the helm as we keep underway while furling and reefing. I did invest in the design and installation of a self-steering apparatus; however, it will allow only brief leaves from the helm. We will take turns at four hour watches."

"We have as many survival supplies as weight allowance will permit. To include two inflatable rafts, two VHF (ultra high frequency) radio transceivers, flare, medical aids, etc. Our boat is equipped with an auxiliary engine and two generators."

"At this point we received clearance to depart Ai Ping. (Barbara was unable to accompany me because of a flat tire on the wheel). We are leaving the harbor under engine power. A Ping, our fisherman friend, is piloting us out."

"We'll write again from Okinawa or

Los Angeles, San Diego. Please forward this to my mother."

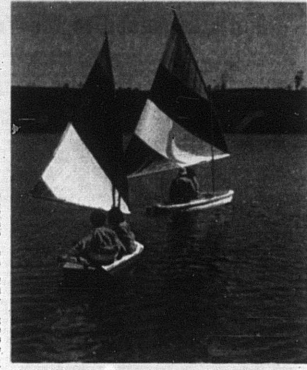
Jim and Barbara are both 39 years old, and face a challenge few people are willing to accept, the driving force of the mighty Pacific in a vessel which wind and waves could easily chop to pieces.

She is the daughter of Mr. Catherine Riddle of Valdosta, Ga., and has a masters degree in education.

Jim graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1960, attended law school for a year and a half, joined the Air Force and is now a six-year veteran. He won the Distinguished Flying Cross during duty in Vietnam. Twice his plane, the Phantom F-4, was damaged by enemy fire but he managed to return to his base safely.

"Jim's a careful pilot," his father said. "He's especially careful about weather. He doesn't challenge it. His training as a navigator in the air force should enable him and Barbara to stay on course."

Quoting again from "Gypsy Moth Circles The World," "The essential



With the Scorpion leading the way and the Scamper II trailing, four persons take to sailing on Lake Carnico. These two craft are much used when the breeze prevails and the water is warm enough so it will be a chilling experience when you turn over or fall overboard.—Mercury picture

Chichester achievement is something his alone—but embodied in the hearts of everyone of us."

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### Nicholas County Donor Club seeks 222 pints of blood as local quota

The Nicholas County Donor Club will continue its membership drive for the Nicholas County Blood Program on Thursday, Aug. 29, when a mobile blood drawing unit from the Lexington-based Central Kentucky Blood Center will set up quarters in the First Baptist Church in Carlisle.

Each year residents of Nicholas county use approximately 222 pints of

blood at various medical facilities in Kentucky and throughout the United States. The goal of the blood program is to maintain a safe, adequate blood supply for all Nicholas county residents by having 222 pints of blood voluntarily donated by Nicholas county residents each year.

Those interested in donating blood should come to the First Baptist Church in Carlisle between 1 and 3 p.m. on 7 and 9 p.m. on Aug. 29. Any healthy adult between the ages of 18 and 65, weighing at least 110 lbs. is eligible to be a blood donor.

Each individual blood donor can assure members of his immediate family, including parents and next-of-kin, of his donation of blood needed at any medical facility in the United States.

The Nicholas County Donor Club is anxious to meet the 222 pint quota, but feels that all civic, industrial, and religious organizations must actively participate in order to get the blood assurance program into effect. Any questions concerning the blood drive on Aug. 29 should be directed to Mrs. Lee Peters, 288-291 (home) or 288-2201 (hospital).

**Do you know any history?**

by Jim Kerr

If you do know any history about any of the following sections of Nicholas County, please write or call the person listed for that history. It will be helpful in writing their section for "The History of Nicholas County." If there is no address listed your letter may be addressed to Carlisle, Ky. 40311.

Still unassigned are the following: Cassidy Creek; Hooktown; Summit Station, Silver Ridge, Walnut Grove; and Sunnyside. It would be very much appreciated if someone would volunteer to research and write these sections for the history.

Akers Mill—Mrs. Eugene Roe, Route 4, Maysville, Ky. 41066 (section finished)

Bald Hill and Fishers Station—Mrs. Jimmy Dan Anderson

Banta—Mrs. Guy Dotson

Barterville (Helen)—Mrs. Clarence Moss

Black Hawk—Dr. Frank Mathias, Box 116, History Dept., University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio 45400

Lower Blue Licks—Mrs. J.A. Stanford

Buzzard Bluff [Spout]—Harold Mitchell

Cassidy Creek—

Crayton, Hog Jaw, Barford, Rose Hill—Miss Truman Richey

Dog Walk—Brocker Harvey, Matthew Kennedy, III, A. Cynthia, Ky. East Union [Bramble]—Stanley Kerra, Jr., 2004 Rogers, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Ellsville, Shake Rag, Oakland Mills—Mrs. Earl Harman

Headquarters—Miss Elaine Riggs

Hicksville—Mrs. Lattie O'Bannon

Hooktown [Center Hill]—

Jacksons—William Warren Smith, Frank Hamilton

Lake Carnico—Charles Cox (Carnico County Club and Hickory Ridge to be included later)

Linking—Mrs. J.A. Stanford (section finished)

Locust Grove—Mrs. Edgar Scott

Marysville—Mrs. Darrin Giffers

Mill Town—Harold Mitchell

Miranda [Prog. Town, Weston]—Mrs. Rachel Masten

Moorfield—Mrs. Jeanne Smith, 283 Margaret Dr., Lexington, Ky. 40502

Morning Glory [Irvinville]—Brucker Harvey, Matthew Kennedy, 1654 Cynthiana, Ky.

Myers, Parks Ferry, Parks Hill—Betty Kinney Goebel, Box 192A, Morningview, Ky. 41067

Pleasant Valley—Miss Marie Felt

Miss Hazel Swarts

Salwell—Miss Flet Allison

Stoney Creek, Goose Creek, Flora, Island—Mrs. Jack Conley

Sunnyside—

Sugar Creek—Mrs. Jimmy Dan Anderson

Sunnyside—

Upper Blue Licks [Davidson]—Harold Mitchell

### School board meets; interviews two for principal

The Nicholas County Board of Education interviewed two aspirants for the position of principal at Nicholas County High School at a called meeting Aug. 16 that took no action. The vacancy was caused by the resignation of Huey Corbin, who resigned to accept a job in Ohio.

The board moved into executive session to interview the applicants after approving the hiring of three fulltime and five substitute teachers.

Under the new Kentucky open meetings law a public group may move into executive session, excluding the press and the public under certain conditions such as, in this case, the questioning of applicants for a position.

The board, by a unanimous vote, approved the hiring of Sue Kirby as a general science teacher at the high school. Edmund Donovan as math teacher at the high school and Boba Wills as an aide at the high school. Board member R.S. Wills abstained from voting on the latter employ-

The following persons were employed as substitute teachers for the following year: Glenda Reynolds, Luella's substitute; Louise Zachary, Mrs. James Reynolds and Mrs. M. Grimes.

In other business, the board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Esie Creech. Mrs. Creech has accepted a teaching position in Montgomery county.

**FISH, GAME POT-LUCK**

The Nicholas County Fish and Game Club will hold a potluck supper Friday night, Aug. 23, at 7:30 o'clock at their club house on the Hickory Ridge Road.

### Mrs. Hardin, Mrs. Duncan named Breath of Life Committee co-chairmen

Committee chairmen for the 1974 Breath of Life Campaign were named today by Mrs. James D. Anderson, campaign chairman for the Mid-South Chapter of the National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation.

Mrs. Paul Hardin will assume the duties of co-chairman and Mrs. Bobby Duncan has been named publicity chairman.

The Breath of Life Campaign will take place in Carlisle from Sept. 8 to Sept. 14. Contributions will be sent directly to the Chapter office at Mid-South Chapter, NCFRF, Room 213, 1951 Bishop Lane, Louisville, Ky. 40218.

The annual Breath of Life Campaign across the country on behalf of six million children who suffer from chronic lung-damaging diseases, like the genetic disease, Cystic Fibrosis, and other respiratory conditions of severe asthma with lung damage, chronic bronchitis, bronchiectasis, recurrent or persistent pneumonia, and disorders of lung development.

Cystic Fibrosis, as yet incurable, is inherited when both parents carry the recessive gene for C/F. It is believed that one of every 20 persons is a C/F carrier, usually without knowing it. The medical treatment has helped many C/F patients to live into their teen years and beyond into young adulthood. It has been found to be extremely effective in relieving, or sometimes curing, the other respiratory conditions treated. All children with these pulmonary illnesses are eligible for treatment at the more than 100 C/F centers affiliated

### Toll free line for runaways

The Department for Human Resources of Kentucky has announced the establishment of a toll free number, 1-800-221-6946, to be used by any runaway child anywhere in the United States.

A staff member of the Family and Children's Services Branch will relay the message to parents and families also located nationwide. No calls will be traced and the only question asked is: "Do you need any help?"

The caller is asked to call back in a few days in order to make sure the number was correct and that the call went through.

Remember the number — 1-800-221-6946.

### Cost sharing funds

Paul E. Hall, Executive Director of the Nicholas County AECIS Office, announced Monday that additional funds were received for cost-sharing under the RCAF Program. If you are planning to do so, send, etc. this fall, file your request today.

Deadline for fall seeding is Oct. 15.

### Hall honored

Mrs. Orrene N. Walton, on behalf of Col. Taylor E. Davidson, State Director for Selective Service, presents Paul E. Hall with a certificate of appreciation.

—Duncan photo



Oncer Lee Grimes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Thomas Grimes, participated in the two-day Kentucky 4-H Electric Conference held at the University of Kentucky and Shakerstown, Oscar Lee received a red ribbon and framed certificate on his 4-H demonstration, "How to Assemble a Lamp" at the state electrical event.

### Veterans contact to be here Tuesday

Howard R. Dobson, a contact representative of the Bureau of Veterans Affairs, will be present on Aug. 27 at the Court House to assist members of the county and their dependents with claims for benefits due them as a result of their military service.

He will be present from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m.

### Ford for Senator workshop Aug. 24

A Ford for Senator Campaign Workshop will be held Saturday, Aug. 31, in Frankfort at the Sports and Recreation Center.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. Gov. Wendell F. Ford will speak at 11:30 a.m., and again at the buffet dinner at 8 p.m.

Gov. Julian Carroll will be the luncheon speaker. The meeting will adjourn at 8 p.m.

### Dairy dinner and cheese auction

A new event took its place in the Kentucky State Fair scene Aug. 15 as the First Annual Kentucky Dairy Dinner and Cheese Auction was conducted on the evening of the fair's opening day with more than 200 people in attendance.

The event was highlighted by the remarks of guest speaker Lieutenant Governor Julian Carroll and the auctioning of the grasshopper block of cheese from the Dairy Products Show.

The dinner and auction is designed to promote Kentucky's growing dairy and dairy products industry. The state's

third largest, and aid charity through the sale of the champion cheese. The

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**SCHOOL HALF DAY MONDAY**

Nicholas County schools which begin Monday, Aug. 26, will be in session only one-half day, according to the Nicholas County School Board office.

### Lodge fish fry

Dougherty Lodge 65 F.A.M. will have their fish fry Aug. 24, at 6:00 p.m. at the City reservoir. If raining, it will be held at the Lodge Hall.