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Blue and Gold banquet and awards

Tuesday night, Feb. 25 approximately 60 Cub Scouts and parents attended a Blue and Gold Banquet at the Carlisle Christian Church. Scouts and badges received are: Vincent Vaughn, Wolf;

Keith Lynn, Bobcat; Cliff Ramsey, Gold Arrow Point; and David Hunt, Bobcat; Parratt, Mrs. Kenneth Vaughn, Don Hoher, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lynn, Mrs. Paul Ramsey, and Mrs. Kenneth Hunt—Duncan photo

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Choral group to sing at Shrine Church

On Sunday, March 16, the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe will sponsor "in concert" the Mother of God Choral Club of Covington, the same choral group which sang here in December 1973. The 42 member group will perform Theodore Dubois' "The Seven Last Words of Christ" under the direction of Karl Lietzenmeyer.

The Mother of God Choral Club has provided a musical tradition to Northern Kentucky since 1933 and has since won many honord distinctions

among which are the Indiana University music competitions and the Chicago Music Festivals.

Call For Reservations

The concert will be held in the Shrine Church at 4 p.m. For ticket reservations please call Mrs. Walter Kendall, 280-5214. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. The price of the tickets are \$1.50 for adults, 75 cents for students. Proceeds will go to the Shrine Building Fund.

25 attend pepper meet

There were 25 present for the recent pepper meeting indicating an interest in producing them this year. There will be a receiving station in Owsongville this year. This is definite. There will also be a station in Paris if more than 100 acres are contracted in Bourbon and the surrounding counties. Meetings are being held in Paris, Cynthiana, Georgetown, and Winchester in the feasibility of the station in Paris for 1975.

Anyone interested in producing peppers this year should contact the Extension Office before March 15.

PVA office is moved

The office of the Property Valuation Administrator has been moved to the second floor of the Nicholas County Courthouse. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The phone number remains 289-5460.

The office was moved because of need for more office space and to make room for the Nicholas County Civil Defense Director.

Harrison Vocational school is review center for auto mechanics testing program

The Auto Mechanics Department of the Harrison County Area Vocational Center has been approved by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence and the Kentucky Bureau of Vocational Education to offer

a 21 class and shop hour refresher course to automotive service personnel. The course is offered as a part of the N.I.A.S.E. program of auto service competency testing and provides interested service personnel with review information for testing purposes in seven of the eight test units.

The local school program for review purposes can cover Engine Repair, Transmissions, Manual Transmissions, Front End, Brakes, Electrical Systems, and Engine Tune-up. Flexibility and emphasis in each of the seven areas will be determined by the members of the class. A minimum number of 12

Automotive service personnel with two or more years of "hands-on" work experience are eligible to take the tests. One year of work experience can be substituted by three full years of vocational high school auto mechanics training, or two full years of post high school training. Completion of a three or four year bona fide apprenticeship program is acceptable as meeting fully the requirements for two years of full time experience.

Registration at the local vocational school will be March 10 at 7:30 p.m. Additional information about the program can be obtained by contacting the local vocational school administrative office. Phone (606) 284-2608.



'APES' discussion leader

Billy Hopkins, local attorney, reviews quiz questions with "APES '75" youth scholars Beverly Herrin [left] and Elaine Riggs. He is one of several community leaders who are serving as discussion leaders during the weekly meetings of the American Private Enterprise System Study Group. Mr. Hopkins related information on "The Relationship of Government to Private Business" and "Ways of Organizing to Do Business". The eight-week study

group, involving 13 high school juniors and seniors, is co-ordinated locally by Carl Webster, PCA, and Sara S. Elmer, County Extension Agent for 4-H.

Rotary club elects new officers

At its meeting on Feb. 27 the Carlisle Rotary Club elected the following men to serve as officers in the club with terms beginning on July 1, 1975: James Wells, president; Wilmer Halcomb, vice president; John Anderson, secretary; Howard Allison, treasurer. To serve as sergeant of arms is Licha Farah. On the new Board of Directors are A.V. Allison, Harry Budden Jr., Henry Peters and the retiring president, Dr. S. Evans Brown is currently president of the local club.

Legion to meet Friday

The American Legion Post No. 17 will meet Friday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Legion hall.

Memories

The recent ceremony commemorating the 30th anniversary of World War II flag-raising on two Jima held Saturday at the Elizaville Cemetery at the grave of Pvt. Franklin R. Sousey, one of the Marines who raised the flag in the famed Joe Bonenthal photograph, reminded us that we had a photograph depicting the crater of Mt. Suribachi and the whole island of two Jima.

Also honored at Saturday's ceremony was Mrs. Goldie Price of Ewing, Sousey's mother.

I do remember taking one flight over the island in a C-47, but since I did not have a camera I am quite certain that I didn't take the picture. My camera was over in the Hawaiian Islands.

Two Jima, after the Marines had secured the place, was our home for seven months and also the home base for the 500th AF Fighter Group, a P-41 outfit. We weren't the only outfit on the island, it was right well occupied by the time we arrived. Our living quarters were west of the air strip at the top of the photograph.

We were told that two Jima was the "garden spot" of Japan, and well it may have been, before the Marines secured the place. We do remember seeing banana trees, bamboo, or what have you and a few scraggly iris.

If one went into the earth, that is tunnels used by the Japanese, the atmosphere became suffocatingly warm. Steams rose from fissures on the surface, the ocean water looked black due to the color of the volcanic ash, and most bathing was done one night over the island.

Although one outfit on the west side closer to the mountain had hot showers piped from subterranean spring. It wasn't practical to visit them, but we were allowed their use on one occasion—our first bath some two weeks after arriving, and just in the nick of time.

A Carlisle youth, Marine Fred Kendall is or was buried in the cemetery at the foot of Mt. Suribachi, which I think is the small white area (center) just in front of the crater.

20 COMPANIES TRIED Hospital room rates upped as \$17,000 increased liability premium assessed

County Hospital was one of the hospitals notified, the cancellation date to take effect Feb. 1, 1975.

After trying some 20 insurance companies to bid for the needed insurance, all of which refused, an extension was obtained to carry the insurance until Feb. 15, to give the Board members additional time to secure the insurance needed.

One bid was received from an admitted company (an insurance company which must comply to the rate standards set by the State). Upon inspection of the hospital facilities the company refused to submit a bid because the hospital did not meet the standards set by the company for writing such an insurance policy.

Three non-admitted companies (reputable specialty insurance companies not required to abide by State insurance cost standards because of the specialty nature of the premiums written) submitted bids. The Board promptly turned down two of the bids because of the lack of adequate insurance coverage offered and because of the higher cost of the lesser premiums being bid.

One specialty company, the only company left interested in writing the Professional Liability Insurance for the hospital, the Ambassador Insurance Company, after much debate and study was voted acceptable by the Board at their last meeting, Feb. 11. The only other alternative the Board members had was to risk having no malpractice insurance at all, which the hospital could not afford.

In accepting the Ambassador bid of \$25,127.72, which is \$16,950.82 more than

the previous year for the same amount of insurance, the Board decided again to apply to the Blue Cross Insurance Company for an additional room rate increase of \$2.25 per bed per day to cover the added cost of the insurance premium. This action was necessary to save the hospital from another severe financial set back and try to keep the institution financially sound. Blue Cross approved the rate increase which went into effect March 1. Semi-private rooms were increased from \$47.00 to \$49.25 and ward from \$41.00 to \$43.25.

Patricia Kamlage, Board chairman, stated that the public is entitled to know why hospital costs have risen so sharply in recent years and therefore has issued the foregoing explanation. He also stated that the room rate increase will directly only effect 10% of the Nicholas County Hospital patients since 90% of the patients are covered by some type of medical insurance.

Patricia Kamlage further stated that the question facing the Board presently is what to do with the hospital and what direction to take to provide adequate medical care to the people of Nicholas County. To help solve this problem the Board is sponsoring an open meeting to discuss the problems and needs of the hospital on Tuesday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Carlisle United Methodist Church Annex to which the public is invited and urged to attend.

Deed recorded

Gilbert Terrell and wife, house and lot Elm Street to Lirim Mashkull and wife.

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