

Great American Happenings

Dairy Day
held
at BGI
Thursday



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1781: The end of a very long war.

Lord Cornwallis has been joined by Benedict Arnold, who is most unhappy about not advancing fast enough in our army. Their objective: to conquer Virginia. They see it as a weak link, protected only by Marquis de Lafayette and his meager force. Cornwallis waits in Yorktown for his reinforcements, but the French navy gets there first. And so does General Washington, who's always at the right place at the right time. We surround Cornwallis and his troops. He has no choice. On October 19th, he surrenders his sword, and his army becomes our prisoners of war. We march them to Lancaster, to Cornwallis's chagrin. To the King's chagrin, many a Britisher thinks we've done a topnotch job. Years later, even Cornwallis admits he agrees. ☺

1774: Ready when you are, England.

The British have seized our Massachusetts government. Filled our legislature with their own puppet rulers. John Hancock calls us together in April. In secret, we make ready for war. Our colonies have already formed struggling military companies and begun some backyard drilling. Now, we officially authorize a militia. It isn't fancy, but it means business. We call it the Minute Men, because it's ready to fight at a minute's notice. And it proves it. There comes the day we hear a report that British ships are firing on Boston. Within hours, thousands of men are on the march from the surrounding countryside to defend the town. No British guns are firing, in fact. It's a false alarm. But there's nothing false about our Minute Men's spirit. ☺



The Little Dairy Princess and her court were one of the highlights of the Dairy Day program Thursday night at Blue Grass Industries. From left, Jennifer Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hamm; and escort Steven Sexton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sexton—Duncan photo.



A "special guest" was escorted to the Nicholas County Dairy Day program Sunday night, June 24. He didn't say much and was a little reluctant to appear when he took a "gander" at the crowd, but nevertheless was a big sensation. "He" is a pet goat, Billy Whiskers, owned and led by Michelle Sargent. Billy is rumored to be on his way to Washington, D.C. to join the Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butte—Duncan photo.



Mr. and Mrs. Donald Robison; Rebecca Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jones; Princess Monica Hamm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hamm; and escort Steven Sexton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sexton—Duncan photo.

Civil Defense Director Bell attends seminar

FRANKFORT—Russell W. Bell, Carle-Nicholas County Civil Defense Director was among a group of recently-appointed directors of local disaster preparedness organizations who attended an orientation seminar at the state's emergency operations center June 28-29.

The program, sponsored by the state Division of Disaster and Emergency Services (DES), was designed to give each person a basic working knowledge of the problems he might face and means of finding solutions. Administrative procedures are also explained in detail.

Kentucky Adjutant General Richard L. Frymire, who directs DES, and Deputy Director Robert L. McFreen both welcomed the group and spoke of program emphasis on the federal and state levels.

"I think the program will prove very helpful," Bell said. "We can never know too much about disaster preparedness and we can never be too secure with existing plans, because changes occur every day. I'm confident that we can continue to progress in Carle-Nicholas County and I'm going to look to many people in the community for support."

Bell said that anyone who is interested in learning more about the Civil Defense program or participating in some capacity can contact him at 288-6970 or P.O. Box 180, Carlisle, Ky. 40311.

Hospital notes

Nicholas County Hospital
Patients admitted and dismissed June 11 to June 17.
Visiting hours are 2 to 4 and 7 to 8:30 p.m.
No one under 12 years of age permitted to visit.

Admitted: Lorene Hall, Robert Sharp, Scott Pryman, William Hlander, Richard Hunt, Sadie Scott, Edgar Buckler, Berz Rallitz, Gayle Kelley, Harry Galbraith, Joyce Smith, and Berry Burrow all of Carlisle. Sarah Bell and Ruby Hunt, Millersburg; Bessie Morris, Ewing; Harold Brunker, Cynthiana; James Waller, Cincinnati, OH; Leslie Williams, Lexington; Barbara Thompson and Macke Toy, Sharpshooter; Joel Howe, Mt. Olive.

Dismissed: Elizabeth Hissell, Bonnie Grimes, Nela Howe, William Hlander, Scotty Fryman, Joyce Smith and Jeffery Gandy all of Carlisle. Macke Toy and James Hatton, Sharpshooter; Joel Howe and Anna Hastings, Mt. Olive; Kathy Nelson and baby girl, Paris; James Waller, Cincinnati, OH; and Ruby Hunt, Millersburg.

Correction

Miss Kathy Lynn Hopkins' parents were incorrectly listed in last week's issue of The Carlisle Mercury, as Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hopkins. They are Mrs. Della Hopkins and Albert Hopkins.

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SOME THOUGHTS ON FREEDOM

Fireworks and festivities will mark this July 4 as never before, yet this 200th anniversary of Independence Day should also inspire a more thoughtful spirit than usual.

The 55 men who signed the Declaration of Independence were all too aware of the "oil and blood and treasure it will cost . . . to maintain this Declaration and support and defend these States," but it is easy for us to forget the two centuries of work and sacrifice which have kept our rights secure. And when we lose sight of the past, all too often we become careless with our freedoms, and willing to exchange them for the illusory hope of government-created security. This is a dangerous mistake, for our national well-being stems from freedom from constraints by government. There is nothing to be gained and much to be lost by turning to government for solutions to all problems.

On July 4 and throughout this year let us make a special effort to remember that the preservation of freedom is the responsibility of each of us, and let us instill this understanding in our children. The strength of our liberties lies not so much in our arms as in the value we place on freedom, and this strength can and must be renewed in us from time to time, and passed on to each succeeding generation.

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Pageants to usher in third century

Parades and pageants, prayers and picnics, bell-ringing, candle lighting and fireworks will usher in the nation's thirtieth anniversary over Independence Week 1976.

Across the nation and around the world, plans will be taken to note this special moment in the history of the nation's oldest continuously existing republic.

"To Americans, it means that the blueprints of the nation—the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights—still serve them well. To foreigners, it means that the 200-year-old experiment in self-government continues to stand as a beacon of freedom."

That is the opinion of John W. Warner, Administrator of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration (ARBA), the federal agency established to stimulate and encourage participation in the Bicentennial.

In Warner's view, the grassroots celebration of the Bicentennial . . . "in respect to the dignity and the greatness of this nation."

In its annual report to the Congress, the ARBA outlines a vast mosaic of citizen participation in almost every community from coast to coast, in each of the 50 states, the territories, Puerto Rico and the nation's capital.

Warner told the Congress that "the Bicentennial is neither a boom nor a bust but reflects the will and the determination of the American people to honor their past, share their present and build an even greater America with an improved quality of life for all as we enter the third century."

The report also notes that, while the month of the celebration commences Fourth of July weekend, the official Bicentennial commemoration continues through the end of the year.

The official time frame for the Bicentennial was set by the Congress when it directed the ARBA to issue a calendar or register of events from March 1975 through December 1976.

Public Law 93-179 created the ARBA in December 1973 to "coordinate, facilitate and aid in the scheduling of events, activities and projects of local, state, national and international interest in commemoration of the American Revolution Bicentennial."

The ARBA succeeded the 50-member American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, which was named in 1966 to explore ways in which the nation might best celebrate its 200th anniversary.

The ARBA also has a program for recognizing the Bicentennial efforts of the nation's news media. The Carlisle Mercury was honored recently.

Recognition through ARBA sponsorship programs is available to community, member organizations of alliances, and project sponsors to use the national Bicentennial symbol in their activities.

The Congress agreed that it should be nationwide in scope, rather than a single exposition.

Nearly all Bicentennial programs, be they national, state or local, fall within three thematic areas established by the ARBA. They are:

—Heritage '76. A nationwide summons to recall our heritage, to place it in its historical perspective, and to focus on the original values and unfolding panorama of our nation's history.

—Festival USA. A nationwide opportunity to share with fellow Americans and the people of the world the traditions, customs, and character of the United States and its people.

—Horizons '76. A nationwide challenge to every American, acting individually or in groups, to select and set upon goals to help make America the "more perfect union" and to improve the quality of life for the Third Century.

On the international scene, the ARBA has helped coordinate the efforts of over 80 nations which are participating in America's 200th anniversary celebration. Included in this effort is official recognition for over 100 overseas Bicentennial events.

While the Bicentennial is "not made in Washington," in Warner's words, the Federal government is participating in the program through the involvement of national parks and shrines to Armed Forces Bicentennial Band and Caravan. ARBA has helped support and coordinate many of the Federal efforts.

Public Law 93-179 also directed the ARBA to provide for the preparation, distribution, dissemination, exhibition and sale of commemorative medals and other historical, commemorative, and information materials and objects.

Accordingly, the ARBA issued, in cooperation with the United States Treasury Department, a series of commemorative medals through 1976, plus the national Bicentennial medal, which has been on sale since Jan. 1, 1976. The ARBA also instituted a licensing program for manufacturers of items which help commemorate the nation's 200th anniversary.

Revenues from the sale of the medals, and royalties from the licensed products, have been used primarily to support state and local Bicentennial projects through matching grants. The money has also been used to assist national Bicentennial programs for matching grant purposes. A total of \$18.8 million was made available through state Bicentennial commissions to support local projects. As of June 1, 1976, just over \$15 million had been allocated to 3,981 projects around the nation.

To fulfill the requirement for maintaining a Bicentennial calendar, the ARBA developed a computerized Bicentennial Information System (BINET). The system includes descriptions of each project and event, sponsors, dates, locations, subject matter.

At present, BINET holds information on 23,640 projects and 27,282 events. Starting in the summer of 1975, ARBA

District Dairy shows begin July 6

The Division of Shows and Fairs in the Kentucky Department of Agriculture will begin its annual series of District #4 and FFA district July 6 in Harrodsburg at the Mercer County Fairgrounds.

The shows, sponsored in cooperation with the Division of Agriculture Education and the University of Kentucky Extension Service, will feature 4-H and FFA youth exhibiting their animals in competition for some \$10,000 in premiums and awards.

The District #4 and FFA District Dairy Shows are designed to stimulate interest in dairying and promote the advancement of rural youth. They assist many boys and girls in evaluating their livestock as a part of the continuing educational program conducted by agricultural extension agents and vocational agriculture instructors.

There will be nine classes at each show, plus a showmanship class. The showmanship class is divided into two divisions—Junior and Senior—in both 4-H and FFA.

Last year, there were 810 entries with 264 4-H and FFA youths exhibiting their animals. The prizes are awarded on the Danish System—Blue, Red, and White.

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