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New hospital dedication Sunday

The long-awaited day is almost here. This Sunday, May 20, the new Nicholas County Hospital will be dedicated. Johnson-Mathers Health Care, Inc. officials and members of the hospital board and auxiliary have been planning a gala celebration topped off by an open house of the new facility.

Following is a schedule of events: The program begins with "Brass Brilliance" by the Nicholas County High School concert band.

Next, Rev. Mark Prevo, president of the Nicholas County Ministerial Association, will give the invocation, followed by the presenting of the colors by the Kentucky Army National Guard unit of Carlisle.

Mrs. Brenda Lawrence will then sing the national anthem followed by a welcome from County Judge/Executive Reese Snoot. Edgar Allen Darrell, chairman of the board of Johnson-Mathers Health Care, Inc. will then give a brief history of the corporation.

A message from Gov. Julian Carroll will be delivered by Commissioner Robert Slaton of the Kentucky Department for Human Resources. Rev. Herman B. Kammage will recognize the honored guests, followed by Mrs. Brenda Lawrence singing "Bless This House".

Dedication addresses will be given by William S. Com Jr., executive secretary of the Kentucky Hospital Association and by Tony Goetz, executive secretary of East Kentucky Health Systems Agency.

Following the dedication addresses, a ribbon, made of surgical gauze, will be cut with a pair of surgical scissors. Mrs. Catherine Smart will then unveil the dedication plaque.

Hours Opened Robert Hester, Johnson-Mathers administrator, will then officially open the door to the new hospital, followed by a rendition of "How Great Thou Art" by the NCHS Concert Band. The tour and open house will follow.

The tour route will be as follows: Lobby, gift shop, reception station, emergency area, maternity area, operating room, physical and respiratory therapy area, mechanical operations, special patient care unit, nurses' station, nursery and mothers' room, patient isolation rooms, private and semi-private rooms and the new kitchen and dining areas.

The new kitchen and dining areas are located in the nursing home area. The various "hostess" organizations of the community will have refreshments available. Visitors will then exit through the new chapel, which has been built onto the nursing home.

The health care board asks that no smoking be done in the new building during the open house and tour.

Security for the event will be provided by the National Guard. Hostesses will be members of the health care auxiliary. Hospital department heads and staff will explain the functions of the various areas of the facility.

Officers during the dedication services will be members of the Carlisle Rotary, Optimist and Kiwanis organizations.

Parking arranged Parking for the event has been arranged at Blue Grass Industries and at the Nicholas County Elementary School. Buses owned by the Carlisle Christian Church, the Carlisle First Baptist Church and the Nicholas County Community Action Center will provide a shuttle service to the new building.

Guests may be dropped off at the entrance to the hospital-nursing home driveway. Parking for special guests and handicapped will be available at the Nicholas County Health Department.

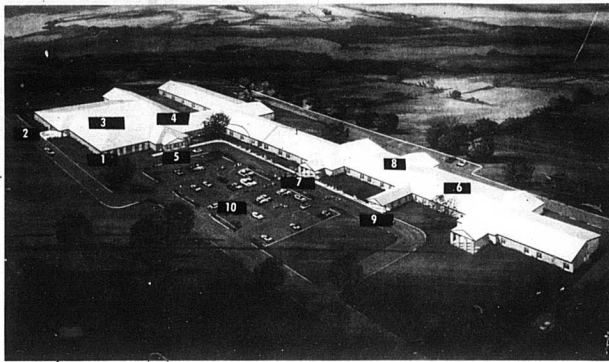
Flowers for the dedication will be furnished by the Carlisle Garden Club.

Moving, new phone number The final suspensions of the new hospital will take place the week of May 20, following the dedication. Equipment and materials are to be moved from the old hospital to the new the next week, the week of May 28. Also that week the surgical areas will be sterilized.

Patients still in the old hospital will be moved and admitted June 4.

The new hospital will share a phone number with the nursing home. The new number, which is not effective until the hospital is occupied, is 289-7181 and it is included in the new telephone directory just distributed.

Until the moving date the hospital will retain its old number of 289-2201 and the nursing home will keep its number, 289-2276. Once the move is completed the new, 289-7181, for the hospital and nursing home, will be activated.



New hospital

Shown above is the artist's conception of the new Nicholas County Hospital. The new facility, built adjacent to the Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home, will be dedicated this Sunday, May 20. Features of the health care complex are: (1) new hospital; (2) emergency entrance; (3) admissions, operating room, lab, therapy and supplies (4)

patient rooms and mechanical areas; (5) hospital entrance; (6) nursing home; (7) new nursing home entrance; (8) new kitchen/dining facilities; (9) new chapel sponsored by the Nicholas County Ministerial Association and (10) visitor parking area.

City hires clerk-treasurer

The City of Carlisle has a new clerk-treasurer.

Mary Trapp was hired as clerk-treasurer by a 5-1 vote. She replaces Joyce McIntyre, who resigned in January of this year.

The council has accepted applications for several weeks now, but it was felt it would be best to wait until the city's audit was finished before hiring someone.

Mrs. Margaret Wade has served as acting clerk since January.

Gas rates raised The Council voted to raise gas rates 10 cents in each category on the card rates effective the next reading.

In other financial matters, the Council voted to raise apartment rents to \$100 on two apartments and to \$90 on another two. The Council also voted to pay \$10,000 on the city's note at the First National Bank.

Senior citizens

The Nicholas County Senior Citizens Center made its annual report to the Carlisle City Council Monday night. The center, now entering its third year of operation, has reached almost 25 percent of the Nicholas County residents in the senior citizen age

group, according to Mrs. Ruth Clay, center director.

Conna figures for 1979 show 865 senior citizens, she said. In two years of operation the center has listed as participants 201 senior citizens. Of that number, 11 have left the program through death or moving to a nursing home.

Mrs. Clay showed council members a breakdown of the center's incoming revenue for the upcoming year.

With a total budget of \$28,300 the center must get \$5,672.20 in matching funds from the city and county.

The center is funded under the Title III and Title VII federal programs. Those programs will provide the balance of the \$28,300 along with the city-county funds.

There is only one full-time worker and five part-time employees, Mrs. Clay stated. In addition there are 22 people enrolled in the center's volunteer service.

The center provides a variety of services for senior citizens. Chief among them are transportation and escort service and the hot meal program. The center also provides counseling, referral and information services.

Three times per week the center serves hot meals. The funding for the food comes from the Title VII program and from contributions from the patrons.

Endorse services Along with Mrs. Clay several employees and patrons of the center appeared before the council. The center's services were praised by two ladies, both of whom said they live alone and might have been forced to enter nursing homes were it not for the center's services.

Also there was chairman of the center's citizen advisory council, Joe F. Conley.

Boys tie in region meet

Track "On your mark, get set, go!" And they're off, off and running. The Nicholas County Bluejacket track team was host last Friday and Saturday to the Class AA and A Regional Track meets.

Rosser, with 21 points, came away with both boys' and girls' regional titles in Class AA action.

In Class A, defending 1978 boys' regional champs Nicholas County shared honors with Bath County for the 1979 title. Both teams had a total of 48 points.

Boys qualifying for state track meet action were: Ron Roser, 130 high hurdles, 200 low hurdles, and pole vault; Randy Hunter, shot put; Kevin Glickson and Jimmy Dale Casca; and

Gary Williams, triple jump. The mile relay also qualified. Its runners were Ron Roser, Jerry Edwards, David McGuffly, and Barry Bretz.

The closest girls' track team at Nicholas County ever came to a regional title was the Lady Jackets' second place finish Saturday. The Lady Jackets were runners-up to a sharp Rockland team who outscored them 67-44.

The boys didn't have it all as the Lady Jackets proved. Those qualifying for state action were: Charita Williams, 110 hurdles and long jump; Deanna Darrell, shot put; and Wanda Wilson, high jump.

Nicholas took first out of four relays and placed second in one. They were the 4x400 and mile relay.

Baseball Nicholas County is going to the region. The Bluejackets baseball team had to defeat Paris 16-10 and then MDH 11-6 before progressing in district play, but they did it.

Last week was "baseball bomb" week as Nicholas posted on their action only to lose 15-10 in the finals to a strong Harrison County Thorobred team.

That game, which cost Nicholas a district first place title, didn't harm the Jackets' shot at the region because both teams will go.

The Bluejackets couldn't seem to get the ball off the ground in the first inning as Harrison took an early 1-0 lead. A three-run double by Tom Moreland, on a sacrifice fly by Mike Hatton, was Nicholas County's first score.

Two runs in the fourth were scored when the Thorobreds made three errors. This marked the Jackets score up, 1-0.

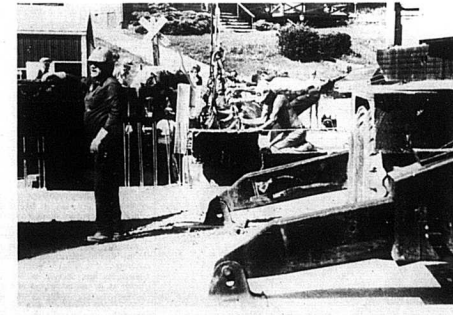
A double by Mike Boykin and a homerun by Mark Ruskell in the fifth, added additional runs for the Jackets. Harrison would not be intimidated as they palmed four essential runs.

Two runs came in the sixth for Nicholas as Steve Sewell singled and Pat Letcher doubled. This attempt was



Winner

Ron Roser won three firsts and contributed to another during the Class A regional track meet last Saturday. Roser and his teammates will be competing in the state track meet this Saturday at the University of Kentucky. Nicholas and Bath tied for first in the region with 48 points apiece while the girls' squad finished second to Rockland. —Photo by Jeff Kerr



In place

A worker gestures directions while the last of the concrete slabs that make the bridge bed for the new Upper Jacktown bridge over Brushy Fork Creek is set into place in the background. When completed the two-lane bridge will replace a single-lane structure. —Mercury photo

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