

### Holiday safety at home

Christmas and the holiday season is a festive time of year. It should also be a cautious time of year for fire safety in the home, according to the State Fire Marshal Gayle Hays.

Three and eight lighted the home and the stairs during the holidays," Hays said. "At the same time, Kentucky needs to remember certain rules when buying trees or straining lights."

Hays said that Kentuckians should take the following precautions when selecting and setting up a tree:

- If buying an artificial tree made of plastic, check for the Underwriters Laboratories label (UL); these are labeled trees burn easily.
- When buying live trees, look for the freshest one. Fresh trees are less of a fire hazard than dry trees.
- Check for freshness by looking for a deep green color, by smelling for a strong pine scent, by testing for needles that are firmly attached to the limbs, and by feeling for a sticky, sap-like tree taut.
- Once the tree is home, mount it in a sturdy, water-holding stand. Keep the stand filled with water and the tree not dry out and become a fire hazard.
- At home, keep the tree away from fireplaces, radiators or other heat sources. It should not block doors or be in the way of traffic.
- In addition to trees, Hays explained that lights—whether inside or outside—should be used carefully. Be sure to consider the number of lights on the public, but this year is an exception.
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The Headquarters Store

Jo Lynn Garrett brought this picture in to our office. It belongs to Strander McDonald. We cannot identify the year it was taken nor do we know the people in it. Our guess is it was taken in the early part of this century, perhaps around 1925. —Photo submitted.

## State Police urge: Buy a good carseat for your child

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### Jacksontown home bursts Monday

County fire units were unable to save a home owned by James Neal Wood about two miles south of Carlisle Monday afternoon at about 4:45 p.m. Fire Chief Woody Wilson said the fire was believed to have started in an upstairs bedroom. The house was a total loss, but an outbuilding was saved. The house, which was occupied by Earl Browning, was partly covered by insurance but no insurance was reported on the contents.

County fire units responded to a house fire seven miles west of Carlisle on Monday night, Dec. 11, at about 4:45 a.m. The house belonged to Jimmy Willis, and Mark Snapp was the owner. The fire is believed to have caught around the chimney and it is believed to have been caused by an overheated stove.

On Wednesday, Dec. 8, at about 6:18 p.m., county fire units responded to the Lower-Jacksontown road where a 1977 Dodge 44 had caught on fire. The vehicle was ruled a total loss. Cause was believed to have been a backfire from the carburetor.

### KDFA loans to hospitals

The Kentucky Development Finance Authority has made its first loan through a program aimed at helping hospitals obtain below-market-rate financing for equipment.

The authority lent \$200,000 to Highland Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg for the purchase of an advanced x-ray machine. Through the Hospital Equipment Leasing Program, the funds will be lent at five percent, substantially below current conventional loan rates.

Charles Trosen, the hospital's administrator, said the medical center is pleased to take part in the program, adding that it would enable the hospital to help control patient costs while providing the most sophisticated medical care.

The program is financed by a \$35-million bond issue. The program's trustee, First National Bank of Louisville, began taking applications Sept. 1. So far, 28 applications have been received.

While the transaction may be viewed basically as a loan, it is technically a leasing arrangement in which the authority buys the equipment and leases it to the hospital. At the end of the leasing period, Dec. 4, that same ownership of the equipment.

He noted that the program is open to hospitals of all sizes.

### Beshear outlines campaign

Gov. Beshear says his campaign for Lt. Governor will focus on "continuing, as well as new initiatives relating to job education, and an improved standard of living to 120 counties."

"I don't fulfill your needs better by showing add reporters in a series of flying news conferences Monday, Dec. 4, that future leadership must be based on economic aggressiveness, cooperation, innovation and decency."

Earlier in the evening his campaign papers were filed with the clerk of State to officially kick off his campaign.

"You don't improve the standard of living by helping more taxes on an already burdened people," he said. "You don't fulfill your needs better by failing to take action when action is warranted, or by taking behind the scenes that national problems put states in a helpless position," he added.

Beshear said decency in public office goes beyond honesty and accountability. "It's that and more, it's being considerate of all segments."

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### 1983 brings many changes License plates...

Car owners who register their cars in 1983 will find some changes.

Car owners must still register their vehicles in the month that the decal expires, but they will register their car by its birth month in 1984.

The change is a result of a new law passed by the 1983 Kentucky General Assembly.

The change in registration will eliminate long lines at the county clerk's offices early in the year.

Most owners of all vehicles must be registered in the first three months of 1983 by changing the registration on the owner's birth month. The date will be merely every year for the new registration.

The clerk will also ask if you want to register your car in 1983 and return it to your birth month in 1983 and then return it in that month and register until 1984.

For example, if your registration expires in January and your birth month is April, you can register your vehicle until April 1983 and then return and register it until April 1984.

The annual registration fee is \$12.50. In the example above, the person could pay \$12.50 plus \$4.80 in January and be registered until April 1984. Or the person could pay \$4.80 in January and return in April to pay the \$12.50 to register until April 1984.

The fee is less because the person's birth month is not a full year from the expiration date of the registration.

If a car is jointly owned, either person's birth month may be used.

Each car must be registered in the month the decal expires in 1983. But in 1984, all cars owned by a person or company will be registered in the same month.

This will eliminate long lines in January and February. Only 20 percent of the state's 124 million vehicles will be registered in the first quarter of the year instead of 65 percent under the current system.

Anyone with questions about the registration system should contact the county clerk.

### Banta named

Roger H. Banta of Carlisle has been named a Kentucky Colonel for his efforts over 20 years in helping the Department for Human Resources.

Banta was honored by the state for his work in the area of job training and job placement. He is employed by the U.S.A. Defense Depot at Memphis, TN.

The award and scroll was given to Mr. Banta Monday.

### Hospital notes

Nov. 23, 1982

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DISCHARGES: Lara Fryman, Ruby Tedler, Mabel Martin, Anthony Kerr, Meredith Marshall, Bernice Doyl, Doris Sapp and baby girl, Clayton Curtis, Bonnie Irvin, Lurana Wain, Naomi Middleton, Timothy Hall, Mabel and Frederick, Donna Gasker, Harlan Sken, Elizabeth C. Jadge, Della Wingo, Betty Hunt, Sharon Jones and baby boy, Bessie Irwin, Mary Calvert, Larry Fryman, Mary Calvert, Carl Lambert, Minnie Myer, Taylor Seeling, Spencer Taylor, Gilbert Reid, Carlisle, Ruth Gause, Alderbrook, Pamela Gray, Helen Blake, Edwin; William Campbell, Leaning, Rosa Moore, Winchester, Paig Harlick and baby girl, Park.

### Advanced Math computer course

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**...car registration**

Kentucky's automobile owners will get more than a new license plate when they register their cars in 1983.

For the first time, car owners will receive separate title and registration documents.

The change is a result of the state's first title law passed by the 1983 Kentucky General Assembly.

The title law was created to protect consumers, said state Transportation Secretary James Rankin. "It's a weapon against forged titles and odometer rollbacks. It will also prevent thieves from duping stolen cars in Kentucky."

This year when a person registers a vehicle, he will receive a certificate of title and a registration card.

The registration card is simply permission to travel on Kentucky roads. It is a receipt for the taxes paid to maintain and improve the state's highway system.

The title certificate is a document showing proof of ownership.

"The law has always required car owners to keep their registration on the car at all times. That was a boon to car thieves, because the proof of ownership was in the same document," Rankin said. "If the car was stolen, the certificate could be filed out on the back. The owner could have a hard time proving that his was not a stolen car and not traded."

Car owners now will carry only the registration card in their car. The title certificate should be kept in a safe place or other safe place. The title is only needed when the car is sold or traded. Car owners will not purchase a new title each year. Only the registration will be issued annually. This will reduce the paperwork involved in registering a car.

Kentucky was the last state to pass a title law. An added benefit of the law is that Kentucky car owners who move to other states will have an easier time.

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