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Hamilton honored

Hester heads Chamber; tractor pull set May 12



Tornado awareness
Students at Nicholas County Elementary School participated in Tornado Awareness Week activities last week. Pictured, l. to r. are sixth graders Billy Boyker, Brent Goussard and Patrick Ritchie with a bulletin board they designed for Mrs. Linda Herrington's classroom.

Robert Hester Jr., administrator of the Nicholas County Hospital and Johnson-Mathers Health Care center for the last five years, has been elected president of the Carlisle/Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce. He succeeds John Burke, whose term expired at the March annual meeting.

Pro Blair, local accountant, is the new vice-president. Debbie France was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

The board of directors is composed of Doug Garrett, Trippy Clark, John Hamilton Jr., Tammy Cokerman, Gayle Kelley, Mark Mathis and Bill Powell.

Hamilton was named 1983-84 "member of the year" for his outstanding contributions to chamber programs.

THE CHAMBER is currently planning a seasonal promotion, working closely with local businessmen. At a meeting Monday night, Dudley Vaughn was to have submitted cost

figures for the purchase of "I Love Carlisle" Justice which identified last year's profitable promotion.

According to Hester, the chamber will again give the buttons to Boy Scout Troop 30 to sell as a fund-raising project, if the promotion is adopted.

Two tractor pulls are planned, the first of which is set for May 12 at 6 p.m. at the former Waggoner & Wilson farm on the Old Farm Road. A second will be staged later in the summer or early fall.

TRACTOR PULLS, Hester said, are major money-makers which finance many C of C projects throughout the year.

The chamber is also considering acquiring a "mountain" structure as part of the Economic Development Committee's ongoing commitment to attract new industry to the area.

Included in the brochure would be pictures and information on such things as available park and recrea-

tion facilities, churches, hospital and health care, social outlets such as a country club, schools, housing and labor force, among other things.

"When company looks at a place to locate, they need all this information at their fingertips. We would like to have this profile of our community in brochure form and as attractive as possible," Hester said.

THE CHAMBER will continue its support of the proposed West End Park and maintain an active interest in affairs of city and county government, he said.

The State Chamber of Commerce no longer sponsors its All-Kentucky City program. Hester said his group is looking into a "certified chamber" program which is similar in makeup.

Hester, a native of Lexington, is married to the former Elizabeth Gardens of New Orleans. They have two children, Lauren, three, and Michael, seven months.



ROBERT HESTER JR.
—succeeds John Burke

Baptists against lottery to fund education needs

At least one local group is opposed to a lottery as a means of funding Kentucky's educational system.

Replying to a Mercury Reader Survey in last week's paper, members of the First Baptist Church of Carlisle voted 12 against a statewide lottery for education.

Rev. David C. Stanzel, pastor, collected copies of the survey which some members of the congregation filled out during Sunday worship service.

MOST PEOPLE voted yes or no with no comment. Others expressed an opinion.

Mrs. Bonnie Metcalfe of Westwood Street finds a lottery "free against Christian belief and educational philosophy. We teach children the evils

of gambling but yet use that method for raising funds for education. We do not need to get money in this way for education.

THE THREE ballots in support of a lottery were received after noon Monday are not reflected in the final 12 tabulation.

Mercury readers are invited to express their opinion on the best possible way to raise money to support the educational needs of our schools, such as a one-percent increase in the sales tax or other across-the-board tax increase.



Honor Society inductees
Nine students were inducted into the Nicholas County High School Honor Society in ceremonies held on March 27. Pictured, l. to r. are: Christy George, Gina

'Fresh and homemade' club menu items

by Emily A. Wolf
Carlisle Country Club reopened this week after being closed for the winter at the end of December.

A meeting of the general membership is scheduled for Friday at 8 p.m. to discuss plans for the 1984 season.

Board chairman Wayne Shumate feels this will be an important year for the club and stated that he is "personally very excited about the prospects."

"We're planning a lot of new things that should be of interest to everybody. We hope for a big turnout Friday night to get things started."

Mrs. Marilyn Whitliff of Cynthiana

returns as dining room manager, a position she held last fall on a temporary basis.

MARILYN will be with us from the start this year and she'll come up with some innovations that should have great appeal," Shumate predicted.

One example is a new menu, inside and out. The laminated cover was designed by Marilyn's husband Ron, who holds a degree in architecture.

The inside belongs to Marilyn. "Fresh and homemade" would seem to be the theme of things. Fresh fruit in season and all homemade breads and pastries will be served. Mrs. Francis King, who was in the kitchen when Marilyn operated the Apple Basket in Cynthiana, has been employed as club cook, assisted by Mrs. Sandy Imhail.

"Mrs. King believes in baking her own breads and desserts. We'll feature those at every meal."

NEW MENU ITEMS include scallops and fresh oysters, raw or fried, Ron's Reuben sandwich, a fresh fruit plate with homemade sweet bread, a chef salad with mixed greens and artichoke hearts, country ham and rosy-gray jumbo shrimp served broiled. Fried if as a cook and a Seafood Grandeur, which features an array of delicacies from the sea.

A seafood smorgasbord featuring "everything imaginable" is planned for Saturday night, April 28, Marilyn noted.

Other special dates on the calendar include a steambowl round of beef, chef-served, on Easter Sunday, April 22. An appearance by the Easter Bunny with candy eggs for the youngsters is scheduled during the noon buffet.

ON THE LAST Sunday of each month an informal breakfast/brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. will replace the noon buffet. Again, homemade breads and muffins and a variety of fresh fruit will be highlighted.

Ladies' stag night is set for the second Thursday each month, along

with men's stag night on the first Wednesday. A supper plate special will continue to be served on Wednesdays.

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possible to make the club a quality operation that reflects the interests of its membership," she added.

Marilyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barlow of Cynthiana, formerly of Carlisle and granddaughter of Mrs. Iles Booth of Carlisle.

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THE CLUB, normally closed in January, remained closed during February and March this year. High operating costs during that period necessitated the move, Shumate said.

Membership dues which had been increased for the 1984 year, were prorated to offset the time lost due to closing. It was pointed out.

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News Briefs

Babe Ruth League tryout set here Sunday

The Nicholas County Babe Ruth League coaches and officials will hold a 2 p.m. tryout Sunday, April 8, at the recreation park.

Only boys age 13-15 who are not presently on a team need to attend. Last season's Little Leagueurs have already been placed on teams and will not be required to try out.

In case of inclement weather, prospective players are still asked to attend to register for the upcoming season.

Spring parade, review this Sunday at MMI

Military Reserve Institute Corps of Cadets will hold its Spring Parade and Review April 8 at 4:30 p.m. on the front campus.

This event will be in honor of MMI being designated the official military school of the commonwealth by Gov. Martha Layne Collins.

President Mrs. Alan Saunders will host an open house immediately following the parade and ceremonies. The public is invited.

Elder/Garden project opens

Community Action of Lexington-Payette Inc. is taking applications for the Elderly Gardening project. Persons 60 years or older who wish to apply must bring verification of age and income to the Community Center here, Monday-Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

President Mrs. Alan Saunders will host an open house immediately following the parade and ceremonies. The public is invited.

Dem delegate tally: uncommitted 4, Hart 1

"Uncommitted" was the near-unanimous choice of Democratic party members who assembled here Saturday afternoon to select presidential preference choices for the Congressional District convention to be held April 14 in Frankfort.

Five delegates will represent Nicholas County: Four — A.V. Allison, Martha Cox, Betty C. Ray and Wilbur Horvath — will be uncommitted.

Mike Soley was elected to represent Sen. Gary Hart in a caucus vote. Only two persons favoring the Rev. Jesse Jackson were in attendance, not enough to reach a threshold of 10 percent of the participating Democrats.

A total of 38 persons, including convention chairman Joseph H. Conley attended Saturday's caucuses.

The April 14 congressional convention will be held at 2 p.m. in Democratic Headquarters on Millville Road. A total of 36 pledged delegates and 11 pledged alternates will be elected from seven congressional districts.

Overall, some 65 delegates and 21 alternates will represent Kentucky at the national convention July 16-18 in San Francisco.



Honored at FHA Banquet
From left: Pam Sparks was named outstanding officer; Brenda Anderson was named honorary member; and Cynthia Fisher was named outstanding member of the Nicholas County High School Future Homeowners of America Banquet March 29. Those completing degrees were also honored.

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