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**Doctor turns teacher**

Dr. Tom Scott, Carlisle physician, spoke to the first grade classes at Nicholas County Elementary School last week on a doctor's role as a community helper.

## County announces proposed budget for fiscal 1985-86

A proposed budget of \$1,348,500 for fiscal 1986 was given tentative approval by members of Nicholas County Fiscal Court at its first meeting, May 12.

The Road Fund would receive the lion's share of county dollars, with a budget calling for \$651,900. Other include: General Fund, \$238,345; Revenue Sharing, \$118,950; Nicholas County School Board Revenue Fund and Interest, \$145,000; Local Governmental Economic Assistance, \$25,000; Jail Fund, \$25,000; and Maternal Educational Fund, \$10,000.

The proposed budget is subject to a second meeting, probably in early June.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**, the court accepted the bid from Cole Ford Inc. of Mt. Sterling for three dump trucks (cost of the three diesel engine trucks is about \$70,000). Judge/Executives Home Depot and the trucks currently in use are in "bad shape" due to age and repeated involvement in snow removal operations during the winter months.

Accepted bids of 66¢ cents a gallon and 1 cent a gallon to supply two grades of road oil from Ashland Oil Co.

Approved a request from Mrs. Charles Cox and Larry Young for \$1,500 from the 1982-83 Revenue Sharing Fund for the Training Center Workshop for Mentally and Physically Handicapped in Paris, the grant covers the first six months of the program attended by local handicapped persons.

This related matter the court also approved a six month grant of \$200 from Revenue Sharing to Margaret Hunter of Community Action for transporting the mentally and physically handicapped to the Training Center in Paris.

Approved appropriations from Revenue Sharing in the amount of \$2,000 to the Senior Citizens Program and \$2,000 to the Carlisle/Nicholas County Recreation Department.

The next regularly scheduled fiscal court meeting is Wednesday, June 5.

### Early copy, please

Persons with news and advertising for next week's paper are reminded that the post office will be closed Monday, May 27 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

All contributions should be mailed early or brought in the office on Locust Street. The Mercury will be open on Monday. Final deadline remains at noon on Tuesday.



**Student to patient basis**

As a yearly project Mrs. Sharon Hottel's Reading I class at Nicholas County High School has visited and read to patients at Johnson Matthey Nursing Home. This has been done on a monthly basis since September. Here, Kevin Campbell, left, and Thomas Baker read to Alopn Crockett.

## Local school district rates many 'pluses'

Despite the problems... Review reveals... our students have realized some very significant accomplishments... Scott

One student was selected as a National Merit Scholar semi-finalist this year, an honor attained by less than one-half percent of all high school seniors nationwide.

First place honors in the electrical division of the vocational education district competition were won by a Nicholas County student.

Governor's Scholar, Golden 100 nominee, \$2000 raised in the Matha. Then, a score far in the elementary school, and the recent Perfect Attendance Award for a few of the more notable signs of academic excellence in our schools this year.

OUR SCHOOLS and teachers deserve a lot of credit. Though the circumstances under which they function do not always compare favorably with those of surrounding communities, the work they perform remains excellent. Based on the California Test of Basic Skills testing for 1984 and 1985, the efficiency rating of our high school teachers were ranked seventh and fifth respectively in the state. Moreover, in a time when one-fifth of Kentuckians are functionally illiterate, our high school

use of the few in the state providing a remedial reading program for students.

And, too, the community is demonstrating interest in our schools. A fine example is the School-Community Partnership Agreement entered into recently with Mr. Gayle Kelley, owner of the Carlisle HIA. In that program, students were allowed to run the store one day a week and in exchange received not only money for their school club, but also useful business experience. Currently, the Job Training Placement Program is involving Nicholas County students with participating local businesses. Joint ventures like this between the school and community benefit both parties, and more are needed.

All of these facts are encouraging in that they show that our students are being challenged to become the best they can be.

**YET, SERIOUS problems remain.** According to the 1984 Annual Performance Report for Nicholas County, of all students entering the ninth grade for any given year over the past five years (1980-84), only 46 percent were level 100 or above in school as low as 42 percent in 1983. Kentucky's dropout rate is an alarming problem, but it is even worse here.

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## 4,704 eligible voters here

| PRECINCT                              | Commonwealth of Kentucky State Board of Elections Voter Registration Report for Nicholas County |            |           |              | TOT          |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|                                       | DEM.  | REP.       | REF.      | IND.         |              |
| Headquarters                          | 230   | 16         | 7         | 159          | 414          |
| Haffertyville                         | 322   | 24         | 11        | 193          | 550          |
| <b>Dist. Totals</b>                   | <b>602</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>18</b> | <b>352</b>   | <b>1,012</b> |
| Hafferty                              | 315   | 15         | 2         | 190          | 522          |
| Myers                                 | 215   | 13         | 0         | 177          | 395          |
| <b>Dist. Totals</b>                   | <b>600</b>  | <b>28</b>  | <b>2</b>  | <b>367</b>   | <b>1,000</b> |
| Moorfield                             | 678   | 17         | 1         | 378          | 1,074        |
| East Union                            | 108   | 7          | 1         | 104          | 220          |
| <b>Dist. Totals</b>                   | <b>866</b>  | <b>25</b>  | <b>2</b>  | <b>482</b>   | <b>1,375</b> |
| Mayors Office                         | 548   | 39         | 22        | 352          | 961          |
| Kingston House                        | 287   | 14         | 2         | 246          | 549          |
| <b>Dist. Totals</b>                   | <b>1,235</b>  | <b>53</b>  | <b>27</b> | <b>601</b>   | <b>1,915</b> |
| County Clerk - Rose Scott (incumbent) | 448   | 25         | 5         | 227          | 705          |
| City Building                         | 485   | 28         | 4         | 270          | 787          |
| <b>Dist. Totals</b>                   | <b>933</b>  | <b>53</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>497</b>   | <b>1,502</b> |
| <b>Total All Precincts</b>            | <b>4,296</b>  | <b>240</b> | <b>68</b> | <b>2,349</b> | <b>7,053</b> |

## Community Center park bid awarded

A contract for construction of the Nicholas County Park at the Community Action Center on Moorfield Road was awarded by Nicholas County Fiscal Court May 21 to the Hamilton Construction Company of Carlisle. John T. Hamilton, Jr., owner.

The project, completed at \$21,614, is being financed from a federal grant and funds raised locally, in addition to a contribution from Jockey International's Orono Stewards Fund Foundation.

Mrs. Margaret R. Hunter, Rural Program Coordinator for Community Action, said the project will be completed in stages around the center, which formerly housed the old hospital.

"It's a community park designed for use by families with young children," Mrs. Hunter said.

IMPROVEMENTS will include areas for volleyball, basketball and play structures to develop gross motor skills, a shelter and picnic areas with tables.

Mrs. Hunter hopes the project will be completed by late summer, during Community Action's 20th anniversary.

"It's been a long time coming," she said, noting that initial groundwork to raise park funds began in 1982.

She also said she was pleased that a local company will be doing the work.

As part of the contract price, the work will provide excavation for the bus 36 calendar days to finish the project.

## Tammy and her tympani

Perfectionist Tammy Anderson rehearses on the tympani for tonight's spring music concert at Nicholas County High School. The school band and high school chorus will be featured in the 7 p.m. program, which is free and open to the public.

- District II** - Elmo Myers (incumbent), Darrell H. Stacy, William Ray Hunter, Andrew Berk, David H. Day, Chris Craig.
- District III** - Earl Lee Plank (incumbent), Lovell (Bob) Livingston, Avery D. Thurnburg, Terry L. Smith, Gerald Harlow.
- District IV** - William C. Sama, Charles Fay, Joe A. Crouch, Floyd W. Bussell, James S. Anderson, James M. Claudi, Joe W. Jennings, Harold Howard, Magistrate Harold Mitchell is not a candidate for reelection.
- District V** - Devlin (Bud) Atkinson (incumbent), Jake Eastman, Jr., Lela H. Farah, Billy T. Brumage, Constance.
- District 7** - Benne H. Gie, Wiley Walker.

## Memorial service Sunday, May 26 honors war dead

A special memorial service honoring the county's war dead, and partly sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 806 and American Legion Post 17, will be held Sunday, May 26 at the Carlisle Cemetery.

The Rev. Ronald H. Herwood, minister of the Carlisle Christian Church will speak at the 2 p.m. ceremony at the monument to the unknown soldiers.

Commanders Frank Terrell of the VFW and Bill Harlow from the American Legion will place a wreath of the moment. Color guards and firing squads from both posts will perform. Tape will be played.