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Births among teenagers a serious problem here

A survey taken of randomly selected Nicholas County parents has revealed an overwhelming need to implement a comprehensive sex education program in the Nicholas County Schools.

The results of the survey showed that 96 percent of those responding felt that family life education should be a part of the public school curriculum.

In 1984, the Nicholas County rate of live births among girls aged 15-19 was 48.4 per 1,000. That rate is compared to 44.9 per 1,000 in Fayette County, 43.4 per 1,000 in Boyle County and 32.2 per 1,000 in Franklin County.

6 member industrial authority chartered

It's now official. The long pending establishment of a new profit industrial development authority became a reality last Wednesday, May 21 when the County of Nicholas and the City of Carlisle created the Carlisle/Nicholas County Industrial Development Authority in a joint resolution.

Six persons — three each nominated by the city and county — compose the charter IDA board. They are John Burke, Mike Mattox and John Wolf, selected at a called meeting of city council Wednesday, and C.H. East, Frankie Higgins and Harve (Spud) Marshall, members of fiscal court.

The resolution calls for the IDA to "aid in the acquisition, retention and development of land for industrial and commercial purposes in Carlisle and Nicholas County; to aid in the development and promotion of industrial sites, parks and subdivisions for accommodating the industrial and commercial needs of the area; and to promote and stimulate the acquisition, retention and development of land for industrial and commercial purposes, by other local development organizations, both public and private."

THE RESOLUTION also contained an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement to be executed by the county judge/executive, mayor and chairman of the IDA.

Representing fiscal court were Judge/Executive Reese Simot, magistrate Melvin Fryman, Elmo Myers, Earl Plack and Floyd Busnel, and county attorney Jack Condy.

City officials on hand included Mayor Lee Best, members of council Carlisle Lester, Bobby Barnett, Betty Barton, Jeff Tyler and Clarence Cord, city attorney Stockton Wood, city superintendent Gayle Vandendriegen and assistant city clerk Sharon Jones, who was substituting for clerk Mary Tapp, who is recovering from surgery.

SEVERAL MEMBERS of the local Chamber of Commerce were present, including Debbie France, Barbara Hopkins, Doug Garrett, Proc Blair, Burke, Mattox and Higgins.

The CChC has spearheaded the ongoing drive to establish an industrial development authority in the community.

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Nicholas County tobacco farmers who have an excess of plants which they haven't promised, are asked to share them with growers who are in need for same.

The office of county agent Mike Phillips will serve as a clearing house for such information. Call 289-2111 if you're extra plants. Phillips said the situation here could become critical.

being high school graduates. THE STUDY asked parents to comment on the grade level at which family life education should begin. Responses to this question ranged from kindergarten through grade 12 with the majority of responses favoring beginning these studies in grades 6-8.

Respondents were given the opportunity to make comments. Most were in agreement that, although more ideally addressed in the home, statistics indicate a need for the subject to be included in the school curriculum. Many included personal experiences relating to their own misinformation about sex and felt that their children would benefit from family life education.

According to a representative of the Nicholas County School/Community Relations Committee, the results of this survey will be presented to the public at a community meeting to be held in the near future. Details will be published in the Carlisle Mercury and the Nicholas County School Newsletter.



Four earn scholarships. Four Nicholas County High School seniors have been the recipients of scholarships for the 1986-87 school year by their chosen colleges. From left, Matthew Guthrie, a J. Graham Browne Scholarship from Centre College; Angie Buckner, Regents Scholarship from Morehead State University; valedictorian Michaela Clark, Presidential Scholarship from Eastern Kentucky University; Cornitha Clinkenbender, R.R. Titton Scholarship from Transylvania University.



A close one. Adrian Arnold was successful in his bid for re-election on state representative from the 24th legislative district in Tuesday's primary. He lost in Nicholas County with 447 votes to Hogges' 770 but won (officially) the district by 129 votes. See precinct results, page 12.

West End Park needs more \$\$\$

Finishing touches are being put on grading at the new West End Park, according to David Zachary, president of the Carlisle/Nicholas County Recreation Board which is in charge of developing the site.

Ricks for lights, fencing (backstops) and a concession stand are in the process of being taken. The park is being financed through a \$40,000 federal matching funds grant. Approximately \$10,000 of the \$30,000 needed locally has yet to be raised. Community support is being solicited, Zachary said, in advance of the October 1986 cutoff of federal funding.

The park, located on a 10-acre site at the back of the county farm on Highway 36, will feature a men's softball and Babe Ruth baseball field with 300 feet down each foul line. A second smaller diamond area extends some 200 feet down each line.

The board was advised that fencing would not cover the end of a new show ring which has now become a joint project of the local 4-H and Lions clubs. Both groups annually sponsor horse shows competition held at the East End Park on East Union Road in recent years.

ZACHARY POINTED out that vandals caused an undetermined amount of damage to the women's restroom at the East End Park recently. Hooks were tossed through ventilation opening, breaking a commode and damaging other facilities, he said.

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Outdoor commencement, senior party new wrinkles

Sixty-nine seniors are candidates for diplomas to be awarded Sunday, June 1 at Nicholas County High School.

Graduation ceremonies are scheduled at 8 p.m. on the grounds of the athletic field, weather permitting, or in the gym, in case of rain. It was also announced that plans have been completed to stage an all night "Lock-up Party" at the school following graduation.

Beginning at 11 p.m., the school buildings and grounds will be closed to everyone except members of the class of '86, and faculty and parent supervisors. A variety of activities has been planned, capped by a 3 a.m. breakfast prepared by school CMC.

THE PARTY is in keeping with a nationwide effort to reduce deaths at graduation time. Over 3,000 seniors were killed last year, many of whom were involved in alcohol or drug related accidents.

In a letter of explanation to parents of senior students, Sgt. Donald G. Elder noted that "many of these accidents are due to the over-zealous need to celebrate with alcohol, etc. through partying through one efforts and yours we can provide a safe, supervised party that can also be exciting to young people."

Activities include such things as cooking out, movies, basketball games and dances. A similar party was conducted 12 years ago.

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welcome from senior class president Carl Hall, vice-president Jeff Sides and secretary-treasurer Mary Ann Hollar.

Awards and scholarships will be presented along with the introduction of the valedictorian and salutatorian, Michele Clark and Angie Buckner, the top two scholars. Monday, June 2 will be the last day of school for students, with the faculty returning Tuesday, a professional day for teachers.

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Ann Dale, Gary Shyne Dotson, Jonathan Hill Duncan, William Patrick Duncan, Linda Sue Farrow, Amy Carl Yeaback, Donna Jane Freaback, Cynthia Lynn Fisher, Shawna Lynn French, Gregory Allen Fryman, Wendell Dreasen and Fryman, Billy Joe Garrett, Darrell Glass, Matthew Phillip Guller, Anna Carol Guy, David Dale Guy.

Also, Carla Jean Hall, Janelle Holmes Hall, Sally Ann Hall, Michelle Wayne Howard, Mary Ann Hollar, Danny Keith Howard, Howard-Jill Vertice Irvin, Deana Dale Ray Brown, Leslie Elaine Brunner, Angela Elizabeth Buckner, Camille Anita Clark, Lisa Mae Clark, Michelle L. Clark, Leola Frances Cleaver, Viola Inez Cleaver, Cornitha Clinkenbender, Philip Gene Clinkenbender, Paul Conyers, Patricia Faye Cox, Aldo, Rodney Douglas Dale, Ruth

Also, Scott Fisher Hamey, Stephanie Elizabeth Reed, Kevin Lane Ritchie, Melissa Carl Scott, Johnnie Joe Shields, John S. Shert, Jeffrey A. Sides, Donald Glenn Smith, William Darryl Sparks, Lisa Faye Sparks, Joy Beth Tulliver, Roy William Twine, Leorea Lee Vio, Huestia Dee Vio, Daniel Allen Watkins, Robert Taylor Woodley, Derek Wilson Zachary.

There's good news this week for local growers of fruits and vegetables.

A farmers market, under the supervision of two county extension officers, will be open this summer in the parking area of Blue Licks Christian Church on U.S. 68 near the entrance to Blue Licks State Park.

Present plans call for the market to be open all day each Friday and Saturday and Sunday after 1 p.m. Mike Phillips, Nicholas County extension agent for agriculture, said that operation will begin sometime in June and continue through the growing season.

Persons desiring to sell produce will be required to pay a one-time fee of \$10. They should contact Phillips at the extension office in the courthouse basement prior to the market opening.

The project is a joint venture of the Nicholas and Robertson County extension services. Phillips can be reached at 289-2111 for further information.

In the meantime over three times as many bell peppers are being raised commercially in Nicholas County this year as compared to 1980, Phillips said.

Some 26 1/2 acres of peppers have been planted, up from 12 acres last year. Several growers increased their allotment while others are participating in the program for the first time.

Valuable card

Chris Kelley holds an original baseball card picturing Babe Ruth, one of thousands in his treasured collection. (Here Above, page 2)

Farmers asked to share plants

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