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Arm of the law

It's unlawful to pass a school bus which is loading or unloading children. Each bus is equipped with a stop arm, above which swings out to warn motorists not to pass. Several citations have been given for violations so far this year.



Button Day

Senior Leann Garrett displays her collection of buttons which she had worn to school for Button Day, a part of the Homecoming Week celebration at the school.



New mower for Ben

AAA football coach Ben Pumfrey, center of attention at left, was awarded a brand new John Deere riding lawn mower (at right of picture) in a ceremony just prior to AAA's homecoming contest against Eminence Saturday. Representatives from four of the schools where Pumfrey has served as

head coach the last 34 years were on hand, including Tommy Bonmaster, Bobby Craig, Jim Shipp (Parr), Dr. Jack Shepherd (Carlisle), Bobby Dunson (MVA), and Jody Dunson, Mark Ruddle (Nicholas County), Jim Smith (Nicholas County), class of '75 served as master of ceremonies.

Farm Bill conservation eligibility explained

By Curtis M. Hesser
District Conservationist

Interim rules to implement the sections of the 1985 Farm Bill dealing with soil conservation and traditional farm commodity programs were issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture back in June.

The "Highly Erodible Land" and "Wetland" Conservation sections, better known as the Soilbuster, Conservation Compliance and Swampbuster provisions, attempt to remove inconsistencies between soil conservation goals and traditional farm commodity program benefits.

These are the USDA farm programs affected by the soilbuster provision: USDA price and income supports, disaster payments, crop insurance, Farmers Home Administration loans, Commodity Credit Corporation storage payments, farm storage facility loans, and other programs under which USDA makes commodity-related payments, including annual payments for the Conservation Reserve Program.

What does it mean for farmers? The Soilbuster provision applies to any land newly cultivated for crop production after Dec. 23, 1985, the date the 1985 Farm Bill was signed. The provision makes farmers of this land ineligible for USDA farm commodity program benefits.

When you apply for the USDA farm program previously listed, you must certify that you have not broken out highly erodible land since Dec. 23, 1985, in order to produce crops, unless you did so under a locally approved conservation plan.

If you intend to break out highly erodible grassland or woodland to plant crops, there are two options: 1. You can go ahead and break out the land without having a locally approved conservation system on the land, and you will lose eligibility. 2. You can develop, in cooperation with NRCS and the local conservation district, a conservation plan that may enable you to farm the land without excessive erosion, and you will retain eligibility.

Conservation Compliance requires

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Queen for a night

Cindy Ritchie, a senior of Nicholas County High School, was crowned football queen of Friday night's homecoming game with Raccoon. Cindy, daughter of David and Karen Ritchie, is shown with her escort, Bryan Johnson, son of Russell and Janette Johnson.

'Fun Show' in Carlisle this Sunday

Sixteen classes, including the popular lead line, will be featured in Sunday's informal horse show being called the Carlisle "Fun Show".

The event is scheduled for 1 p.m. at the East End Recreation Park. In case of rain the show will be cancelled, said Jody Thompson, one of three local women staging the show.

Had the proceeds will be donated to the recreation park, with the rest set aside for a show next spring.

Admission is \$1 for adults and children 10 and under free.

Trophies will be awarded to first place finishers with ribbons second through fifth. Showman attire will not figure in the judging.

Entries fees are \$4 per class, except for the rescue, ribbon and show races which cost \$4 to enter.

CLASSES are as follows: Lead line, rescue, costume, barrels, junior barrels (15 and under), potato race, western pleasure, musical bags, catalogue race, Nicholas County pleasure (to park), ribbon race, sled and spoon, flag race, mule race, spoon barrel and show.

Halloween theme of final weekend before park closes

Weekend campers at Blue Lick State Park will be treated to a spooky movie, "Ghost and Mr. Chicken", starring Don Knotts to be shown Friday at 7 p.m. in the camping area.

October 24 and 25 mark the final weekend the park will be open before closing for the season Oct. 31.

Traditional Halloween fun and games are planned for much of the day Saturday, beginning with pumpkin carving and ghostly games of chance at 11 a.m. costumes contest at 3 p.m. and a square dance at 7 p.m.

Square dance caller is Clarence Henson of Natural Bridge State Park fame. Henson involves the audience in dance routines.

Turn your clocks back

Residents are reminded that Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 26. All clocks should be turned back one hour before retiring Saturday night.

Board sets new policy for student placement

Nicholas County Board of Education adopted a student placement policy, gave tentative approval to an attendance program and heard requests for dates for special activities and trips as members met in regular session October 21.

In the matter of placement, a student should not spend more than three years in the seventh and eighth grade Junior High program or be in the high school for more than one year by Aug. 1 of that year without serious consideration for his/her assignment to the high school.

That assignment would be on a trial basis. The student would be assigned a personal advisor in the high school and be given nine weeks to prove his/her ability to cope with the high school program.

If at the end of that time, the student has a 1.0 or better he/she may remain in the high school. If the grades are below that average and there are no extenuating circumstances then the student will be returned to the elementary program. The high school grades will be sent transferred to the elementary school and applied to the appropriate class.

Attendance policy provisions will be announced at a later date, according to Superintendant Elser.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the board acted as follows:

"to approve excused absences for Mike Smith and Christy Cropper. Also Robert and Kim Sumner.

"to accept property insurance bid from Alexander & Alexander of Louisville.

"to employ Pamela Jean Ritchie as Margaret Akle at elementary school and Brenda Mattox to work in lunchroom.

"to approve application to receive reimbursement for transporting pupils to Kentucky Vocational School.

"to purchase a high-speed buffer for high school at a cost of \$800.

"to place Penny Bretz in substitute teacher list.

"to implement into the 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9-12 grades a human development program presented by a representative from Lexington-Fayette County Health Department.

WindStone Simmental Sale Nov. 2

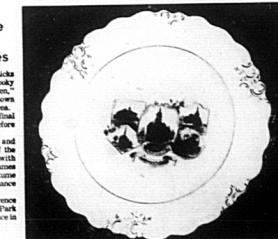
Windstone Farms will hold its second annual sale of Simmental calves on Sunday, Nov. 2 at 3 p.m. at the auction barn on Pleasant Springs Road.

A total of 101 premium weanlings-47 bulls and 54 heifers-will be offered.

A complimentary cookout will precede the sale at 1 p.m. The menu consists of barbecue beef, baked beans, cole slaw and a drink.

Farm manager Cliff Shumate has donated a young steer, born this spring, to the Carlisle/Nicholas County Lions Club. Steers are being sold by members and the steer awarded at the 3 p.m. sales event.

Contact George Garrett or any Lions Club member.



Any more of these around?

This is a photograph of a beautiful Dresden china plate containing pictures of the Nicholas County courthouse, center, the Carlisle Grade School, Methodist, Christian and Presbyterian churches, which Mrs. Pauline Green of Covington came across recently. She wonders if any others are in circulation. (See Hardscouth, page 2).