

**GENERAL NEWS**

**Council holds special session**

In special called session of Carlisle City Council, three items were passed before council for action.

First on the agenda was a discussion on the dumping of sludge on the farm of Frankie Hughes.

Access to Hughes' farm is gained under normal conditions, through a dead right-of-way through the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crawford.

The Crawford's were at the meeting and said, before council's vote, discussion would have to be held through respective attorneys.

On a motion by Betty Barton, seconded by Charles Fay,

the agreement with Hughes was amended to exclude a 30 right-of-encroachment by the city and accepted on a 4-1 vote.

William Powers abstained, and Jeff Tyrer voted no.

The contract calls for the sludge to be dumped on Hughes' farm at a price of \$4500 per year or \$375 per month, with the contract to run through the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crawford.

Following the motion to accept the signed agreement with Hughes, Tyrer mentioned that a contract be entered with the Crawford's.

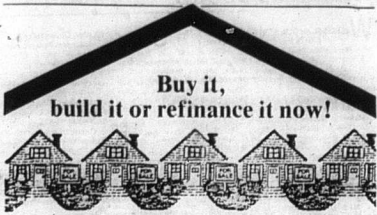
The motion was seconded by Lester and passed on a 5-1 count, with Barton voting no.



Rotary recognizes years of service

The Carlisle Rotary Club honored those people with a dinner and silver tray, for their dedicated service as cooks for the club, at their regular meeting Thursday, April 23.

Pictured l to r: Catherine Howard, 30 years service, Maggie Davis, 40 years service, and Polly Wells, 30 years service. Making the presentation was Dr. Robert Spinks, immediate president the 1988-89. Submitted photo.



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**AGRI-NEWS**

**Week declared for Soil and Water Stewardship**

Emphasizing everyone's role in protecting soil and water resources for future generations, the Nicholas County Conservation District is encouraging local churches, organizations and individuals to join the nationwide observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, April 28-May 1, 1988.

The local district, which works throughout the year on soil and water conservation

measures, is providing literature and speakers that highlight man's responsibility to be active stewards of our nation's soil and water resources.

Edgar Darrell, chairman of the Nicholas County Conservation District, said that while farmers and ranchers know that good conservation practices help increase yields and improve their profit potential, they also know the importance of passing a well-cared-for natural resource to future food producers. "We could give our children all the money in the world, but it would do them little good unless we also give them a productive soil and water to live," said Darrell.

Since 1956, the National Association of Conservation Districts has sponsored Soil and Water Stewardship Week, in cooperation with nearly 3,000 local conservation districts nationwide, as one way to emphasize the importance of good stewardship of basic soil and water resources.

Materials especially designed to convey the 1988 theme, "Stewardship Is Our Future", are being distributed by the local district and may be obtained by calling or visiting the district office during business hours at 605 Morefield Road, telephone number 288-2234.

**Area farmers receive help**

"The Associated Press. All rights reserved." MOUNT STERLING (AP)—Struggling farmers in Bath and Montgomery counties were given some help Saturday in the form of free corn seed.

About 450 bushels were scheduled to be given away, according to Kathy Ann, the state-wide coordinator for Community Farm Alliance, which provided the distribution effort.

Two Saturdays ago, about 2,000 bushels of seed corn were given away in Fleming County, said Duane Parker, a farmer who organized that county's event.

"I'd say there was always four or five waiting in line all day long," Parker said. He said about 100 farmers went to the distribution.

Parker, who got involved with the alliance while trying to dig out of his own financial troubles, said that between 80 and 90 percent of farmers in the Flemingsburg area break even on their farms.



Signing the Proclamation  
 Edgar Darrell, right, looks on as Nicholas County Judge Executive Reese Smoot (left) and Carlisle Mayor Lee Benz sign a proclamation declaring April 28-May 1 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week. - Donna Anderson Photo

**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the well-being of our people depends upon the production of ample supplies of food, fiber and other products of the soil; and

WHEREAS, the quality and quantity of our products depend upon the conservation, wise and proper management of the soil and water resources; and

WHEREAS, protection of our surface waters from pollution, dependent upon protection of the soil; and

WHEREAS, conservation districts provide a practical and democratic organization through which individuals are taking the initiative to conserve and make proper use of their resources; and

WHEREAS, the soil conservation movement is carrying forward a program of soil and water conservation in cooperation with numerous agencies and counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, a full appreciation of the value of our soil and water resources to the public welfare, and desiring to honor those who protect these resources, do hereby proclaim April 28-May 1, 1988,

**Soil and Water Stewardship Week**

in the County of Nicholas, Carlisle, Kentucky

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Nicholas to be hereunto affixed.

Done at the Nicholas County Courthouse in the County of Nicholas, Kentucky, this 27th day of April, 1988, the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty eight.

*Edgar Darrell*  
 Edgar Darrell, Chairman  
*Judy Ann Smith*  
 Judy Ann Smith, Secretary



Essay Winners - Left to right are the Nicholas County High School Conservation essay winners: George Joseph, Justice White, second place winner; Chrisy Sexton, first place winner; Deborah Peck, Susan Sanders, and third place winner Todd Wilson. Submitted Photo

**State Fair books to be mailed soon**

The Kentucky State Fair will send out catalogs in May listing all the classes, entry forms, rules and deadlines for the 1988 Kentucky State Fair. This year's fair dates will August 18-27.

Last year nearly 40,000 items were entered, ranging from entries to named sometimes from Monticello sheep to live bee colonies. But there could be more.

"A lot of people think you have to be a winner at the county fair level to bring something in, entry here," said Linda Corbush, supervisor of the state fair's entry department. "But really, anybody can enter an item here, whether it's been shown anywhere else or not. Nominal fees are charged for

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