

FOCUS

Bond's Broadcast

By Hank Bond

Letters ask good questions; maybe there's an answer

Last week in The Mercury, John Burke of the Carlisle - Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce asked some interesting questions and made some interesting points.

Now, possibly, it could be that certain items should be added to those Burke pointed out, as well as those of the young lady a week before.

We, as a group of high school students, had to go out-of-town for these activities, just as the young people of Carlisle must do.

We stood on the corner and circled the drive-in a few miles away, just as the young people do now, so what is the problem?

Why have we fallen into a pattern of allowing things to get out of control?

It appears to be a universal problem, here in Nicholas County.

We have those adults and business leaders who have to have access to businesses in this community to make it a functional retail community.

Without the business functioning here it would be a much different place.

We, too, have the young people, (young is a matter of definition) who feel like they have to have a gathering place downtown.

Be it the rail in front of Herald's or the courthouse wall.

So far, all of this makes some sense. I will say the rail in front of Herald's is not such a good place, because it restricts the consumer traffic in that area, thus affecting a business or businesses in that area.

So, that leaves us with the courthouse wall. Nothing wrong with that, either, except that some of those choosing to gather there leave garbage on the courthouse lawn and deface the wall.

That isn't right at all. That shouldn't be allowed. Nothing wrong with that, either, except that some of those choosing to gather there leave garbage on the courthouse lawn and deface the wall.

Another problem which has continued to surface is the verbal attack on citizens of this community.

Part of the reason many people have chosen to move to or stay in Carlisle and Nicholas County is the ability to walk down the street at anytime, day or night, and have no fear.

This is changing. In fact, it has even changed for those people driving the streets of the city.

For some reason, some of these folks, some I say not, I have, chosen to curse at those walking or driving by, and have made in different remarks to passersby and that, my friends, cannot and should not be allowed.

No one walking or driving through Carlisle should be faced with any of that. It MUST REMAIN a pleasant and good place to live. If not, we, really guilty of allowing this downfall in our community.

Maybe there's an answer

SO we have reached an impasse. And, it appears this won't go away.

Maybe there should be some guidelines. How about a compromise?

We can take care of everyone. Let's put some benches on the courthouse lawn. Tear them up and you go to jail.

Let's allow the young people of Carlisle to gather on the courthouse lawn and have a nice gathering place to talk.

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That way, there would be harassment of people on the streets, no restraint of trade and the young people could have a place to enjoy.

Bottom line here is both would cooperate. I am not suggesting for a moment the harassment of people shouldn't stop. If, in fact, these people who make this a practice don't stop then whatever legal steps can be taken, should be taken. PERIOD.

There is a dilemma of reason which must be applied here. It is essential we solve this problem if we hope to attract new business and industry here, or ask people to shop downtown Carlisle.

The advance people for business and industry look in part at what is available to the work force and management of these operations and it should be available somehow regardless of economic circumstances.

Rich or poor, there should be no discrimination made for everyone and make it enjoyable to gather and talk or to shop.

And so, for another week, thanks and thirty.

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LETTERS

Editor: As a parent of a kindergarten student that will be attending school in the Nicholas County School district this year, I am very concerned over the bus transportation of the children.

When I registered my child for school my child for school in June, I was asked on a form where my child would be getting on and off the bus.

I listed the Daycare which he was, and would be staying before and after school.

After attending the orientation for these children, I was informed my child (who was in the morning class) would have bus transportation to the school, but I would have to find him a ride back to the Daycare, even though the bus would be dropping children off at Nicholas Square which is located two blocks from the Daycare.

I am a working mother that has to work as most mothers now do. I shouldn't have to worry about my child's transportation to or from the school.

We pay the highest taxes of any county around us. Surely my county could provide bus transportation for my child who stays 1 1/2 miles from school.

I would like to probably hire someone to provide this service, but why should I have to?

A child is required by State Law to attend kindergarten, so I feel my child should have the privilege of bus transportation.

When this was suggested I was told the parents voted for the half day session. But, my opinion was not asked nor anyone else I talked with.

I know I'll probably have to find my child another way to school but felt that people of the county should know in case they will be having children or grandchildren attend kindergarten about the way they do things.

Paula Hunter Carlisle, KY

Complete Weather Summary

Agri-Weather: A ridge of high pressure extending into Kentucky from the mid Atlantic coast is the dominant weather feature.

There will be slight modification in temperatures Wednesday as a result of an increase in clouds associated with the low pressure trough approaching from the north.

Another indication of the combined impact of heat and humidity will be in the danger category in all areas.

The accumulated rainfall deficits from normal since the first of April have been reduced in recent weeks.

With recent increases in rain and the persistence of more humid conditions... Disease problems that have been previously held in check may now be appearing. Growers will need to watch conditions closely and

Extended Forecast

Thursday through Saturday: Heavy, hot and humid with a chance of thunderstorms each day. Highs in the 90s. Lows in the 70s.

GENERAL NEWS

Kindergarten

Continued from Page 1 We take a look at reviving the policy.

Employed Glenna Norton as transitional teacher in the elementary school.

Entered into a contract with Community Action Learning-Parents' Unity to transport special education severely handicapped students at a cost of 50 cents per mile.

Approved a trip by Elaine Rudrick and Judy Hawkins for a social studies seminar.

Agreed to furnish meals to head start at a cost of \$1.00 per meal.

Added Linda Scott as substitute teacher, Virginia Smith and Kathy Dixon as sub-cooks and Donna J. Anderson as sub-bus driver.

Accepted the resignation of Michelle Skidmore effective immediately.

Approved child-care class and P.H.U.s activities as submitted.

Approved the drop-out prevention program using J.T.P.A. funds.

Approved and accepted five of six surplus bus bids.

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