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Bond's Broadcast

By Hank Bond



A Trip to Morehead State; students must come first

The beauty of the trees and the splendor of the view set the stage for a great football weekend - last Friday and Saturday...

He made a public address announcer Tom Vincy gave away the same announcements we heard way back in the dark ages...

The game warmups went much the same with the usual morning and grunting...

On the field came the Morehead State University marching band. There are no words to place into this column to explain really how good that band really is...

Just like it was 19 years ago. Morehead State University... is an asset to Kentucky and a very important part of life in the eastern part of the state...

Morehead State University needs to continue its role of educational leader, friend to the people of the area, and cultural center it can be.

The outstanding educational programs need constant review - and the concerns of the students must remain a priority.

From what it is possible to ascertain sometimes this perspective can be lost at an institution of higher learning.

Students are certainly not cattle - and must not be herded from place to place.

These young men and women are far better off than a high percentage of our population. Over 33 percent of the people in Kentucky never even graduate from high school.

Accordingly they are not stupid. They may not have a Ph.D., but they are not without the ability to reason. When they make a request or act as though it is some sort of imposition.

When I attended Morehead, just as my wife did and now our daughter, one of the biggest problems I was able to see was that to many on the college campus - staff, faculty, and administration - forgot or forgot that if it wasn't for students they wouldn't have a job.

Never mind all of the answers to that, it's a matter of fact. I will be the first to admit no institution can operate on the whims of one student, however, if that is so.

And so, for another week, thanks and thirty. Allen Hopkins, Paul Garrett, Mr. Bob Fisher, and Russell Shroat at the C. Cole Corner.

In those days everyone seemed to have more time, compared to our hectic pace of today. Who could ever forget Bill Henry and the famous "Little House with the Big Gate," and Mr. Pitman's sparkling Jewelry Store.

Bring back a lot of memories, doesn't it? I know there were many others, all outstanding citizens that played their community first. Of course, "Doc" Bradshaw, the soda fountain and his famous pimento cheese, was all loved.

The variety store, a treasure of our past and "Mr. Allie" Clinkenbeard will forever be in our memories. "Mr. Allie" was a special person, a quiet man that daily went about doing his job, monetary remuneration unimportant, in many cases only helping people help themselves.

He touched the lives of many farmers and citizens of our community, and shall be eternally grateful for "Mr. Allie," the other merchant friends and treasure their memories.

I love Nicholas County. G.C. Myers Carlisle, KY

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GENERAL NEWS

Nicholas County Educators.....

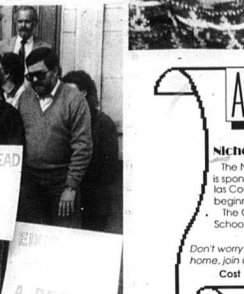
Continued from Page 1 asked "Will they try to take our retirement to pay for our insurance?" There was a resounding, "No!"



Brenda Lawrence, Pat Atkinson, Phyllis Gault and Bill Gault display their views on the steps of the Bourbon County Courthouse last Wednesday.

FHA wins national award for alumni participation

By Julie Pfeiffer The Carlisle Mercury Staff The Nicholas County Future Homemakers of America has won a national award for alumni participation in the nation to represent the chapter.



Pat Atkinson, a Nicholas County Elementary teacher, said after the meeting that she was "impressed" with the response.

Nicholas County Football Fans

The Nicholas County All Sports Booster Club is sponsoring a child supporter for the Nicholas County, Estill County Football game, beginning at 6 p.m.



Don't worry about eating before you leave home, join us before kickoff and save the rush! Cost will be \$2.00 for sandwich and chili.

Friday, October 28 Beginning at 6 p.m. Nicholas County High School Carlisle, KY

Julie's Jive

By Julie Pfeiffer

I just want everyone to know I am not the 21-year-old Owensboro native who threatened the life of Presidential Candidate George Bush.

I've also decided I'm not going to go to Australia or Canada. It just isn't that easy to run away anymore.

When this column appears there will be 12 shipping days left until the election.

A very perceptive member of the community recently commented that this must be my first election.

I tried to vote back in 1984, but legislators don't seem to care whether or not your birthday is exactly a month from the election day, as it was that year.

I don't know if anyone remembers November 4, four years ago, but I remember that it was a beautiful day. It was the day of my favorite writing class, so I didn't watch the election results. I probably would've...anyway, I'm excited about this year.

It seems we won an award for our election coverage last year. I personally cannot wait to stay up all night eating popcorn and watching the returns. There are those that would say that sounds like something I would call fun, but that's another column.

Governor Wilkinson - It's up to you

Kentucky Governor Wallace Wilkinson may have gone too far with his critical remarks concerning recent rallies by teachers across Kentucky.

The Governor is reported to have said the Kentucky Education Association was behind the rallies - and people do not understand the quality and value of the state's self insurance program.

It appears the Governor is overlooking a few things. First, education is terribly underfunded in Kentucky. It is terrible that this state spends megabucks on many programs and underfunds the most important thing we have.

Secondly, when the teachers of this state get together to protest the problems, why should it be considered a personal attack on the Governor?

How many people do you know that have a job? How many people do you know that have a job, that would not complain if their healthcare insurance jumped tremendously in price?

In many Kentucky counties, the 2 percent raise granted teachers by the state, barely - if it does - covers the increase in healthcare insurance.

No, Governor Wilkinson, the educators of this state are not protesting simply because they do not like you or your insurance program.

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