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**Lee Cruse ousted as NCHS Coach**

Despite large turnout of supporters  
Nicholas County Board votes 5-0

**By Josh Shepherd**  
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 CARLISLE, May 14 — Lee Cruse has been removed as head basketball coach of Nicholas County High School's boys basketball team. Although a majority of boys' varsity basketball players and members of the boys' basketball boosters appeared before the Nicholas County Board of Education to voice their support of Lee Cruse as head basketball coach, the board unanimously voted not to rehire Cruse as coach. Gary Sibert, president of the boosters, was spokesman for a group of about 15 who came before the board to support Cruse's position as head coach. Before Sibert spoke, however, Brian Hiltander, co-captain of the 1989-90 basketball team, said the majority of the players wanted Cruse to return. "On top of being a coach we respect, he is also a friend to the team and has done a lot for us in his spare time. I don't feel there has been a disci-



**Saturday night crash**

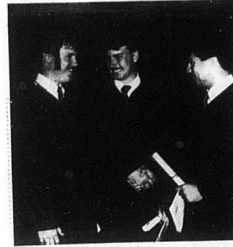
plina problem with the team," Hiltander said. Board chairman James D. Anderson immediately disagreed. Anderson cited reports of obscene gestures and language toward opposing team members and toward the crowd. One parent spoke up, saying opposing teams and even fans in the crowd have been rude and abusive as well. "Other teams have acted poorly and if you had gone to all the games, anybody you talk to have seen abuse and poor conduct from other teams," she said. Sibert, however, said if there is a discipline problem, it is a problem with every sport. In football, he said, they call it unsportsmanlike conduct, but in a game played on a large field in the dark and many things can be gotten away with. Basketball, however, is under the lights where everyone sees it, Sibert said. "I'll be the first to admit I've

**Cutbacks won't affect Carlisle Guard Unit in recruitment plan**

**By Josh Shepherd**  
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 CARLISLE, May 17 — Despite personnel cutbacks designated by the federal government for the Army and National Guard by 1991, Mike Wells, Carlisle's first exclusive guard recruiting officer, said the cuts will mean little to Carlisle's engineering unit. Wells, hired April 1 to represent Carlisle in the guard's recruiting efforts, said the cuts mandated by the federal government in the guard and Army will mean the loss of approximately 10,000 guardsmen in Kentucky. But according to Wells, recruiting efforts have not been ordered relaxed nor does he think the Carlisle unit will be affected much from the cuts in personnel. "With a population size of 460,000 guardsman in the state, a personnel cut of 10,000 does not amount to that much. Chances are those who will be required to step down will be older officers needing re-employment in the higher echelons of command." Continued on Page 8

**Council agrees to \$12,000 allocation**

**By Pam Bowles**  
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 CARLISLE, May 14 — After considerable discussion Carlisle City Council voted 5-1 to budget \$12,000 for the Nicholas County Industrial Authority to set up an office. Council member Betty Barton made the motion to budget the money for the industrial authority and Tommy Vaughn seconded the motion. Sharon Faulciner, Doug Garrett, Barton, and Vaughn voted in favor and Charlie Fay was opposed. Members of the industrial authority came before the council to express their feelings on the need for an office and a full time employee. Carmell Lester, a member of the industrial authority, said the authority applied for a grant from the Bluegrass Area Development District, but was refused. The AID money is going to be put into a regional generating service in Lexington, Lester said. Mark Mattox, another member of the authority said he feels a person needed to be on the central location at all times to take care of business. Councilman Clark asked, "Why can't the Main Street Program, Tourism District, and Industrial Authority all have one secretary?" "An organization like this needs to have confidentiality," said Mattox. Companies which are interested in locating in an area want to deal with people in the strictest confidentiality, said Spud Marshall a member of the industrial authority. Lester said the reason for putting in water, sewers and gas was to attract new businesses to the county. Charles Watkins said. The young woman who has been hired has worked in the Paris office, with the Bluegrass AID, and has the back bone the organization needs to help the city. Clark felt it was a lot of money to be spending to set up an office.



**Bachelor of Science Degrees in Triplicate**

Three Nicholas County residents were among the nearly 500 candidates for graduate and undergraduate degrees at Morehead State University's 1990 Spring Commencement. From left, Danny Keith Howard, Gregory Allen Simms, and Elton Simon Joseph, each received a Bachelor of Science degree.

**Main Street Program to have four visitors**

**CARLISLE** — A Resource Team from the Kentucky Heritage Council will visit Carlisle, May 21-22 to assess Carlisle's downtown situation and to offer some ideas to strategies for revitalization efforts over the next year or so. The team will be made up of four people. Although members work as a team on a comprehensive study, the investigation and presentation of recommendations follow the basic four-point approach. A typical schedule for the team visit includes meetings with the manager, board and board chair, tours of the community and the downtown area, interviews with key people in the community, and a board meeting open to the public where the team recommendations are presented. A member of the visiting group will be Kathleen Kelly, senior program associate, National Main Street Center. Kelly works with Main Street programs in Arizona and Oklahoma. She was formerly project manager of the Greensburg, Pa. Main Street Program. Kelly also served as a regional director of the Ohio Historic Preservation Office. Her professional background includes experience in inner-city urban neighborhood revitalization as director of the Sherman Hill Association in Des Moines, Iowa, and in historic rehabilitation gained while working with an architectural firm in Milwaukee, WI. Kelly has a bachelor's degree in art and architectural history and a master's degree in American history.

Mattox said, "We have to pay the director and the secretary, we have received donated office space and furniture." "Other expenses such as a typewriter, copier, postage, letter heads will cost money," Lester said. "The industrial authority has received backing from Magic Image to put something back into the organization and Jersey International has offered to give money." Council went into executive session to discuss property acquisition. Council came out of closed session and approved a lease agreement on the Garrett building (next to Garrett's Restaurant) for the new location of the Carlisle Police Department. Council, which had abandoned the old jailhouse on the corner of Main and Elm streets as a possible location for a new police department, has decided to relocate at the Garrett building. Council met with the Nicholas County Fiscal Court last month to discuss sharing the cost burden of operating the new station's dispatching system. The court is expected to discuss council's proposal at its regular meeting May 22. Darsey Watkins and Betty Barton of the American Legion asked the council's permission to use the streets for the Blackberry Festival. Watkins said the Kentucky State Police are not going to give any more protection this year than last year. Mayor Frankie Hughes agreed to make a request to the state to use the streets like last year. Charles Watkins of the Nicholas County Water District said he received a letter in regard to the cost to send the members will \$1,200. Crawford said the money has already been budgeted and the firmers will receive 20 hours of certification. Crawford reported he had

**notified the county fire department when the city firm will be gone.**

The city council agreed to cover up the mayholes on the property of Harry Sparks. Paving, bolts and a surface will be laid down so there will not be a problem with the man holes. Gage Vanlandingham, city water supervisor, said Sparks gave the city permission to go through his property to fix the man holes. Vanlandingham said it would take about a week for the materials to come in and the job could be completed. Council approved purchasing of a timer for the sump gear so the equipment would not run all the time and put wear and tear on it. The request by Kelly to allow Bobby Kelly to go to school and give a first aid lesson to the children for two hours and take for the city fire department was approved. The council also approved purchasing a cordless phone for the sewer plant. Barton brought up the problem with the crosswalks in front of the courthouse. Hughes said he would have to look into this with the state to see if they could paint the word crosswalks on the road so it could be visible. Barton also expressed concern over the police department not having a radar detector. Continued on Page 2

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