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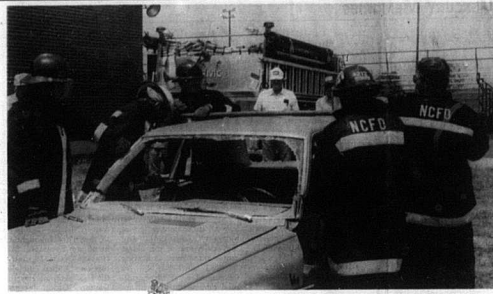
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Nicholas County firefighters demonstrate their new gas driven "Jaws of Life" at the Farm Safety Week and sponsored by the Nicholas County Extension Office and Hospital. Firemen automatically respond upon an old car, which happened to be Miles Hughes' old postal delivery car, and showed how quickly firemen can get to a car accident victim in an emergency.

## Boyd gives chemical safety tips

**By Job Shepherd  
of the Carlisle Mercury Staff**  
CARLISLE — According to visiting Emergency Medical Trainer and Farm Safety Expert Wendall Boyd, one of the most important precautions a farmer can take to protect himself is to make sure people know where they are and what they are doing.

Boyd was guest speaker for the Farm Safety Week and last week sponsored by the Nicholas County Extension Service and Nicholas County Hospital.

Before several visiting farmers, Boyd spoke on prevention of the hazards involved with the use of farm chemicals and pesticides.

"Farming is dangerous. There are potential hazards in almost every aspect of the work. There are the obvious exterior physical risks presented by heavy machinery, but there are even worse risks involved with the use of chemicals," Boyd said.

However, the threat to a farmer's life can be significantly decreased if proper common sense precautions are observed when dealing with dangerous chemicals, he said. The best preventive measure, he said, is never to work with chemicals alone.

"Always have a partner with you, even if all they do is observe. And let someone know where you are and what you are doing. These two simple steps make a difference between your surviving or dying should something go wrong," Boyd said.

Exposure to chemicals through breathing is perhaps the fastest way a chemical can affect you. You might get about a step away, but that's all you'll get before the chemical can do its work," Boyd said.

In emergency situations, rescue personnel have what is called the "golden hour." In an accident, the surest bet of survival is if rescue personnel can get a person from the area and to a hospital in one hour, he said. If you are hurt in an accident and nobody knows where you are, he said, it could be hours before someone realizes there is a serious problem.

However, some chemicals can be so toxic, the rules of the "golden hour" would be moot if exposure occurs. Depending on the type of exposure, death can result in minutes, even seconds, Boyd said.

There are four ways dangerous chemicals can enter the body: by breathing, eating, injection, or absorption through the skin.

Most farm chemicals, he said, are in a powder or concentrated liquid form and are activated in a mixture of water. It is important, then, that farmers wear protective clothing to keep these chemicals from coming in contact with the body where they become active by mixture with water. It is important, then, that farmers wear protective clothing to keep these chemicals from coming in contact with the body where they become active by mixture with water.

Most often, he said, the best protection is the use of long rubber gloves and a long sleeved shirt which will keep chemicals from contact with the skin.

Chemical fumes, primarily in cases where a farmer wears his field with pesticides, can sometimes be so toxic breathing a small amount can be extremely harmful. More often than not, he said, the use of a breathing mask can keep these gas from entering the body.

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Read and follow directions on the chemical container, he said, and if you don't understand them, call the extension office. It is the agent's job, he said, to know the proper handling of these chemicals and he can advise you on how to use them without severe risk, he said. Make sure to follow the directions and advice of the agent to the letter, he said.

If a chemical calls for a mixture of twelve parts water to one part chemical, mixing it at 6:1 will not produce a bet-

ter mixture, he said. Instead the chemical is still in a state where further water can activate it and put that chemical in places you don't want it to go, he said.

As an example, Boyd related an experience he had working for a park when he was younger. He was told to spray a weed killer at the base of some fence posts and the chemical mix he was to use said to mix the chemical with 12 parts water.

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## Final Carlisle City Council candidates

The final list of candidates for the race for seats on the Carlisle City Council have been filed, Nicholas County Clerk Doug Fryman said, Tuesday.

Incumbents Ronnie Clark, Charlie Fay, Tommy Vanhook, Betty Barton, Doug Garrett, and Sharon Faulconer have filed for reelection.

## Railway train makes final seasonal run

Kentucky Central Railway's steam locomotive #11 will carry approximately 250 passengers of Carlisle, on August 10, and again on August 11.

The train departs the Kentucky central Railway Junction in Paris, Kentucky, at 2 p.m. each day and will arrive in Carlisle at 3 p.m.

An old-fashioned homemade ice cream and cake social will be the main feature on this August adventure. A tour of the old jail, carriage rides, music by the town fiddler, crafts, several people will dress in clothing from the 1800's, and many other

interesting activities make this one-hour visit enjoyable. The August 10 and 11 weekend will be the last opportunity for riders to take the 35 mile round trip to Carlisle.

The theme in Carlisle will be expanded to include a fox hunt exhibition featuring county fox hunters in costume for the event.

The Kentucky State and Central Kentucky Fox Hunters Associations will both be represented in the exhibition on the Nicholas County Court House lawn. Fox hunts will be displayed prominently in front of the costumed riders.

## Toilesboro woman drowns in Carnico

**By Job Shepherd  
of the Carlisle Mercury Staff**  
Efforts by Nicholas County Rescue Personnel to resuscitate a drowned Toilesboro woman at Lake Carnico Sunday night failed to revive her.

According to a report from Nicholas County Fire and Rescue Chief Mark Hughes, fifteen minutes before they succeeded in finding the unconscious Hornback, the rescuers on the beach at Lake Carnico with Kent Oliver administering CPR. According to the report, Hornback, Oliver, and Roberts Hewing, all of Toilesboro, entered the Lake Carnico beach after regular hours to swim.

At the time Hornback went under, the report said, Oliver was on a wooden platform some and continued attempts to resuscitate the victim while Hornback and Hewing swam at the rope boundary of the swimming area, approximately forty feet from the beach.

Hornback, on the outside section of the rope, dove under water along with Hewing. However, when Hewing resurfaced, Hornback did not.

Hewington attempted to find her friend, but could not seem to locate her beneath the water. She yelled for Oliver and took up the search himself, the report said.

Oliver and Hewington searched for approximately fifteen minutes before they succeeded in finding the unconscious Hornback, the report said.

Oliver quickly pulled Hornback to the beach and administered CPR. A nearby fisherman was alerted to the emergency and drove to a phone to call an ambulance.

The Nicholas County Rescue squad arrived on the scene and continued attempts to resuscitate the victim while rushing her by ambulance to Nicholas County Hospital. In the emergency room of Nicholas County Hospital, measures to revive Hornback continued for approximately 30 minutes when Nicholas County Coroner Taylor Mathers arrived and pronounced the victim deceased at 8:15 p.m., the report said.

## Doctor's office breaks ground

**By Job Shepherd  
of the Carlisle Mercury Staff**  
CARLISLE — A small ground breaking ceremony for a new doctor's office at the entrance to the Nicholas County Hospital and Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home complex was held last Friday.

Dr. Osias Villarfor, in a joint venture with Johnson-Mathers Health Care, plan to have the two-unit doctor's office and parking lot finished and ready for patients in the next three months, Ruby Villarfor, Dr. Villarfor's wife said Monday.

Although Villarfor is now the only physician scheduled to occupy the building, a second unit is included in the building plan to provide office space should a new doctor de-

side to locate in Nicholas County.

However, Villarfor said the office will not remain empty in anticipation of a new physician.

Until such time as a doctor does locate in the building, Nicholas County Hospital plans to use the additional office space for the administration.

"It's about time Nicholas County had a medical building. We have needed to have a doctor's office next to the hospital for a long time. This place will not only provide an office for myself, but for others when I have long since retired. It will be of service to Nicholas County residents for many, many years," Villarfor said.

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COMMERCE  
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Comptroller of the Chamber of Commerce at City Office visited in Carlisle has changed. Chamber coordinator Kathy Howard, with some volunteer help, has set up this sign to let newcomers know they are here

Wendall Boyd