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Dr. Wendell and Ginny Kinglover, John and Emily Wolf enjoy hors d'oeuvres and conversation prior to the annual Nicholas County Historical Society dinner at the Carlisle Depot Friday night. The dinner entertained a large crowd of members before the evening's entertainment provided by the Kentucky Chautauquians.



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"Wizard of Oz" exclaims performer Dick "Wizard" Albin in a Kentucky Chautauquian one-man show as Kentucky entertainer Emmitt Davenport, an allegorical character based on the lives of early country music performers in the early 20th Century.

Democratic party committee to meet Monday, June 22

There will be a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee Monday, June 22 at 7 p.m. at the Nicholas County courthouse. Everyone is invited. Topics to be discussed will focus on bolstering voter participation in the county for the coming November election. With new county re-districting and re-printing schedule to be in effect, the threat of low voter turnout is very apparent. Ideas will be considered on how to increase voter participation in the county on November.



Albin performance an enjoyable mix of history and song

By Jack Shepherd

The Carlisle Mercury Staff

CARLISLE — Chautauquian performer Dick "Richard" Albin, storyteller, musician, and humorist, gave a unique and engaging performance Friday night at the annual Nicholas County Historical Society dinner at the Carlisle Depot.

Albin, a Kentucky folk musician and storyteller, has performed for over 25 years alone and with his partner and former spouse, Anne Marie. He specializes in popular Kentucky folk music and is just one of 10 entertainers performing special one-man and one-woman shows across Kentucky in celebration of Kentucky's Bicentennial.

If Albin is any indication of the quality of performance the Kentucky Chautauquians is sponsoring, then making all 10 shows will be well worth the effort. Operating as both a storyteller, humorist, and, subtly, as a lecturer in various aspects of early 20th century Kentucky history, Albin develops the fictional character of Emmitt Davenport. Originally, the character Davenport was just one of the pseudonyms for true Kentucky country recording artist Asa Martin.

As Albin explained, early recording artists could not perform under their own name nor could they receive royalties for songs they had written or performed. In order

for a musician to make any money, Albin said, they would have to go from one recording company under one name to another recording company under another name and be paid a flat fee for the songs they recorded. Albin's one-man show takes place as Emmitt Davenport walks backstage during a live radio broadcast of the Benfro Valley Barn Dance in 1952. He is awaiting his turn to perform after the famous Kentucky all-girl string band, the Cooper Creek Chick.

From that point, the audience is treated to a mix of old Kentucky folk songs Davenport strums on banjo, to stories of Davenport's formative years traveling and performing in Vauville and with the infamous Medicine Shows. There have been few history lectures as much fun or engaging as Albin's performance and story telling prowess. What Albin may lack in an actor's character development he more than made up for in sheer showmanship. Personality and a history lesson with which several in the packed Depot Station audience could connect were the keys to Albin's performance. It was a show that demanded showmanship over drama.

But the most telling clue as to where the strength of Albin's show lay was at the end, when audience members, invited to ask questions, focused

more on Albin than they did on the content of the show itself. "Wizard of Oz" Davenport yells as he holds up his hand. In the background a recording of the radio show advertises a product, drawing the parallel between the medicine shows of old and modern day broadcast advertising. Albin dedicated the performance to Lily Mae Ledford of the Coon Creek Girls, and "Goose" Bachman, whose stories aided him in developing his performance. "Dane" who missed Albin's performance last week need not worry. He will return to the Nicholas County area for a more straightforward musical performance with his music partner Anne Marie, also busy giving Chautauquian performances, on August 21 at Blue Licks State Park.

Past and present Lady Jackets squared off on the hardwood

By Pam Bowles

The Carlisle Mercury Staff

CARLISLE — The Nicholas County Lady Jacket 1991-92 entertained a pack of rabid girl's basketball fans as they hit the courts against the Classic Lady Jackets in a basketball game Friday night. The Classic Lady Jackets of former Nicholas County girls' basketball teams from the graduating classes of 1979-91. The Classics came out fighting and put up an unscoring, and holder of the Nicholas County girl's basketball record for most points scored in a single game, 38, buckled her only two points of the half to end the first 20 minutes, 25-21.

The Classics were behind, but not out. Classics coach Barbara Kenney attempted a bluff. Pretending to be fatigued, the Classics attempted to lure the latest Lady Jackets team into a state of overconfidence. But the current team, with their coach, Mike Kenney, were apparently wise to their tricks and brought their conditioning to bear on the second half. Fast-shoot Penny Bretz hit the first jump to move the Classics to within two of the Lady Jackets. But the Jackets came on strong, scoring 13 straight times to vault over 10 points ahead, 38-23. With two minutes remaining in the game Coach Barbara Kenney sent in Marsha

Lynn Haney as team's secret sixth player. Classics coach Then Kenney threw three more Classics to the other end of the court. They had taken the Jackets by surprise. With 16 seconds left the Classics made their most daring move, they cleared the bench to play 13 on five. Although the score read 40-35, it was clear the Classics had made their mark on the court. The final score, however, was not the idea of the game it was a night for everyone, the past and present players along with the crowd excitement as one of the former members drove through the lane for a bucket.

The present Lady Jackets were led in scoring by Tracy Earlywine with 15 in her final appearance as a Lady Jacket. Renee Livville added nine, Nikki Smoot with eight, Christie Hinton and Kim Dunkins had seven, Alicia

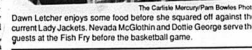
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The former Lady Jacket team was composed of players from 1979-91 and pictured from left to right: Stephanie Hamilton Duncan '82, Vicki McFarland '82, Missy Rowlings '83, Marsha Lynn Haney '83, Jackie Berry '79, Amy Simons '91, Christie Russell '88, Penny Torgerson Bretz '81 and assistant Lady Jackets coach, Deanna Darrell '80, Sandy Warner '80, Dawn Curran Lecher '85, Tammy Risser Shannon '80, Carla Hall Robinson '86, and Phonda Faye Markland '87.



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Carla Hall Robinson goes up for a jumper over Renee Livville in a basketball game between the current Lady Jackets and former players. The basketball game was held Friday night and sponsored by the Lady Jackets boosters to raise money for the team. Also pictured: Jennifer Wiloughby and Alicia Sibert.

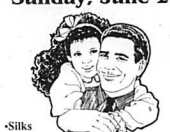


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Down Lecher enjoys some food before the squared off against the current Lady Jackets. Nevada McClain and Bonnie George serve the guests at the Fish Fry before the softball game.

K-93 to oppose Lion's in softball

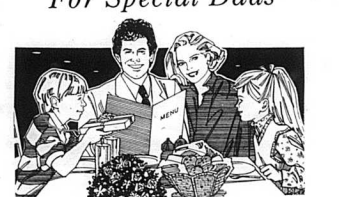
The third annual K-93 Lion's Club Softball tournament will be held 7 p.m. this Saturday, June 20, at West End Park. The annual event has featured a number of special celebrities in the past and has also featured a competitive game. Scheduled to appear are K-93 die jockeys Sam Stevens, Mark Austin, and K-93 news die jockey, a person known to bat a mean softball, according to Lion's Club representatives. Admission for the softball game is \$2. Proceeds will go to help finance free eyeglasses and eye exams for Nicholas Countyans.

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