

Congratulations, Graduates!
NCHS Graduation Exercises, Sunday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m.

Headstart students will graduate
Ceremonies will be held at 9:00 a.m., Friday, June 4, at the Carlisle Assembly of God. Public is invited.

Something to look forward to
The annual steam engine ride will be sponsored by Carlisle-Nicholas County Tourism, June 12. Look for details in next week's edition of The Carlisle Mercury.

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Fiscal court balances budget; areas get cut

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An allotment of \$24,000 to the emergency dispatching service was cut from the Nicholas County Fiscal Court budget.
A projected payroll tax was substantially lower this fiscal year because of the layoffs at Jockey.
Since the projected payroll tax amount was lower than in previous years, the fiscal court budget would have run approximately \$23,000 in deficit unless cuts were made in a number of areas.
Reese Smoot, Judge Executive, said of the emergency

dispatching service, "Our contract says that we've got to provide phone emergency service 24 hours a day. But we could just hook up that phone out at the hospital and we could answer it. I've talked to people out at the hospital and they said it was a feasible idea."
The Court also rejected a budget submitted by the soil conservation office.
ASCS budget was increased from last year's amount of \$9,300 to \$19,000 in their submitted budget.
The court decided to fund last year's amount but said the raises in employee expenses and clerical help were too

high to fund.
Daryl Stacy, magistrate said, "We don't want to have to levy this millage tax to keep these programs afloat. Let's cut wherever we can."
"Farmers in this county have already been taxed to death and I don't feel that the soil conservation program is any more beneficial than some of the others. If they can get by with the amount they had last year let's fund that, but not this much of an increase."
Janina Smith, magistrate, agreed, "I don't want to do away with any of these programs. I would like to see us give them something. But no one program can have that

much of an increase because so many more programs will suffer for it."
The extension service was cut by \$3,000.
The Senior Citizens center was funded 38,000 plus a .25 increase to pay for all employees. Courthouse employees were also given a .25 raise.
Courthouse repairs were cut to \$5,000, janitorial services were cut \$10,000 leaving \$11,272 and courthouse utilities were left at \$20,000. Also, armory property supplies and maintenance were cut \$100.
The Office for Economic Development was funded the same as last year.

Football is new game for little leaguers

By Heather Mathes-Harris
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"Let's go out to the ball game..." In the past, the only games in town for little leaguers included summer baseball and winter basketball. Children had to sit on the sidelines and watch older kids participate in football.
But a group of concerned parents in Nicholas County are working to see that every child in Nicholas County interested in playing football gets his chance.
They are striving to establish a little league football program in Nicholas County.

Danila Harmon, one concerned parent, said, "Last year we transported a sizeable group of kids to play in Paris leagues at the Gray YMCA. We were over there two days a week for practice and more for games and heard many parents voice interest in having their kid play also.
"But the problem was it was big, especially when more people know about it."
Key Earlywine, another concerned parent said, "The ride up there and back so many times a week was just tiring. And many kids who wanted to participate didn't get a chance to because there was no way to get to Paris that many times a week. After all, once the kids made All Stars they were in tractor about ev-

ery night," said Earlywine.
Harmon explained further, "So we decided to gage the interest and find out about establishing our own little league football program," said Harmon.
As of right now there are 90 kids signed up to play on four teams including two teams of third and fourth graders and two teams of fifth and sixth graders.
Those who played last year include Jeremy Harmon, Josh Earlywine, Darkey Caswell, Timmy Crump, Ryan Hunter, Kyle Rector, Brandon Rector, Daniel Sabanks, Weston Smoot, and Ryan Hunt.
The team Hunter and Kyle Rector played on, the Raiders, won the tournament and all those that participated from Nicholas County played on the Paris All Stars Team.

Earlywine commented, "I think it will go over really big, especially when more people know about it."
"People through the YMCA in Paris are willing to help us get started and Mike Florence (from Paris) is even willing to come down here and help us get teams established. They are tickled with the Nicholas County Little League idea and look forward to having more competition. Plus, we could play teams in other neighborhoods," she added.

"We have already collected about \$2,000 and we have not even done a really big fund raising event yet, other than selling candy bars."
Harmon reported the pool is approximately \$70-\$80 per child for equipment.
"Right now we are trying to

solicit businesses for a sponsor for each team. We have already done a basketball tournament, sold candy and two businesses said they would donate."
"In the future we are planning to have a fund-raising event for equipment."
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Amanda Soboty, Shamara Bean and Becky Brierley look closely at a display of leatherworks during "Reading is fundamental" day. Activities were a part of the project "Odds: The Patchwork of our heritage, the patterns in our lives" and were held in the NCHS Library.

Fryman takes seat as school board member

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"Since I have three children in the system, I thought the best way to make a positive difference for them as well as the other children in my district was to be a member of the school board."
"I will be talking with the other parents in District two and finding out their concerns so that I can do what is best for all our children while I am a board member."
Fryman's term ends in November. She will then run in the school board election.
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Miscout causes site-based election re-vote

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CARLISLE - During the Parent Teacher Association Meeting held Monday, May 24, two parent representatives were elected to the Nicholas County Elementary Site-Based Management Council.
However, because of a miscout, only one, Jim Galbraith who received 45 votes, was installed into office by the PTA.
Four more nominees will run for the one available position at the PTA meeting which will be held on June 7 at 7 pm in the NCHS cafeteria.
These parent nominees include, Jimmy Dale, Paula Hunter, Mary Ann McCord, and James (Jimmy Joe) Mitchell.
At the last meeting each nominee had a chance to talk with the parents present.
"We didn't have a full year last year and I feel that if our term was not cut short we could have gotten a lot more done. If we could be given that chance we could really make great strides for the school," Dale remarked initially.
Hunter also commented, "I have been involved on the primary and reading committees... What it really comes down to is doing what is in the best interest of the kids."
The other two nominees for council positions had no comment.

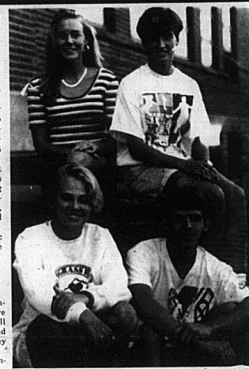
Child killed in accident

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Pending an autopsy report, the death has been ruled accidental.
Services were held at the Carlisle Assembly of God Church and performed by the Reverend Richard Gardner and Reverend Darrell Sexton on Tuesday, June 1.
If anyone in the community would like to help defray funeral expenses please contact in order to clear it out. Reverend Richard Gardner of the Oakland Mills United Methodist Church.

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Class officers of the 1993 senior class are, top row, Renee Liville, treasurer, Nikki Smoot, vice-president, and bottom row, Amy Trail, secretary and Robby Feltz, president.