

**Farmland values expected to rise from July 1993 to July 1994**

According to an article in ERS Information, a publication of the US Department of Agriculture, US farmland values are expected to rise over 1993 by 1.2 percent. ERS also states that, with more dramatically opportunity bills, floor insulation is also expected.

**It's time to check your insulation**

According to a recent report from the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, one area of home insulation often neglected is insulation of floors. While attic insulation impacts more dramatically opportunity bills, floor insulation is also important.

**October is Fire Prevention Month**

With winter coming on, now is the time to check your stoves, chimneys, and heaters for fire hazards. Call you fire department's non-emergency number for more information.

**Area Weather Forecast**

Thursday & Friday - 60 Percent chance of rain, highs in the low seventies, lows in the mid to upper sixties.  
Saturday & Sunday - Dry, high near seventy, lows in the upper fifties.

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**Daycare center opens, fills area child care needs**

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CARLISLE - The Jack and Jill Creative Childcare Center alleviated the child care crisis in Nicholas County when it opened for business on Friday.

The center, formerly Tender Loving Care Daycare on Walnut Street, was bought by Steve and Mary Morrison and opened for business on Friday after being licensed by the state.

Mary Morrison, a native of Carlisle, daughter of Charles and Sarah Law and sister of the late Sarah Bell, was interested in opening a daycare center even before she learned Tender Loving Care Daycare was for sale.

"We were interested in running and providing this kind of service, and since Teresa Morrison's daughter-in-law has a college degree in this field it just makes sense," Mrs. Morrison said.

Morrison and her husband, Steve, both graduates of Kentucky Wesleyan College, also own Fashion Plus in Millersburg and Steve is self-employed, running a carpet measuring service.

Teresa Morrison, graduate of Union College, is center director.

"My degree is in Sociology and Psychology with an emphasis on Early Childhood Development. I worked at a center in college and have since worked at Saint Peter's Daycare in Paris for three years," Teresa Morrison said.

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**Staff attends KERA meeting**

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PARIS - Many administrators, teachers and students as well as Superintendent Robert Gilbert participated in the Region 5 KERA Sharing on September 16 at the Paris Independent Area Center in Paris.

More than 300 participants from Region 5 conducted 29 classroom presentations and 20 exhibits. Kentucky Education Commissioner Dr. Thomas Boyson, was on hand to speak to the group.

Also, members of the Kentucky State Board of Education and Department of Education personnel were available to answer questions.

According to Phillipa Boney, Nicholas County Instructional Supervisor, Nicholas County was well represented at the

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Nicholas County and Carlisle City Firefighters battle to control flames that engulfed the upper story of the home of Billy and Barbara Hopkins on Monday. The second floor of the home was heavily damaged by the flames, and the lower story sustained major water and smoke damage. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

**Fire destroys home on Upper Jackson Road Monday**

By James Hart  
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CARLISLE - Nicholas County Fire Department and the Carlisle Volunteer Fire Department responded to a house fire on Upper Jackson Road Monday morning.

The house, owned by Billy and Barbara Hopkins, was heavily damaged by the fire, according to Tom Crawford, Chief of the Carlisle Volunteer Fire Department.

The fire started at the rear of the house, on the second floor, said Crawford. The attic was totally destroyed, as was one room on the second floor. The whole second floor was heavily damaged.

According to Crawford, the first floor was heavily damaged by smoke and water. The fire was pretty much contained to the second floor, but the first floor sustained a lot of smoke and water damage," Crawford said.

Calvin Dutton, Bureau Coordinator for the Nicholas County Fire Department, said Tuesday the cause of the fire is unknown.

"We're still looking into the cause of the fire, but it's still up in the air right now," Dutton said. "It may have been electrical, but we really don't know."

Firefighters Billy Kelly  
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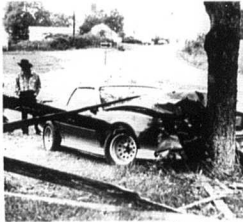
**Oct. 11-15 School Lunch Week**

By Heather Mathes-Harris  
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CARLISLE - Governor Brevette Jones has declared October 11-15 as School Lunch Week.

According to Martha Sue Taylor, Food Service Director, Nicholas County Schools will be celebrating the week with special meals for both the high school and elementary.

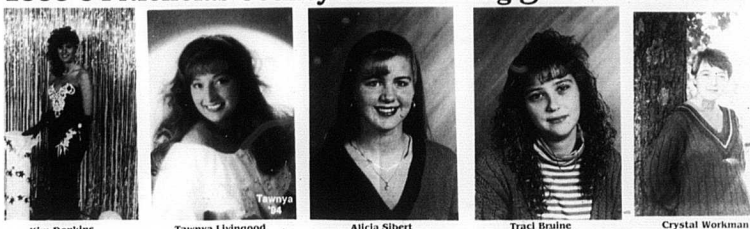
"The proclamation calls for heightened awareness of nutrition and has a theme of shaping your future through better nutrition habits," Taylor said.

The proclamation reads, "The National School Lunch Program has served our nation admirably for over 40 years; and the National School Lunch Program has been joined through the years by many other excellent child feeding programs, and there is evidence of continued



Kentucky State Trooper Tim Layne investigated this single vehicle accident Saturday. The driver, Pastor Morales, 19, of Berlin, Georgia, lost control of the vehicle approximately 2 miles east of Carlisle on US 36. One passenger, Librado Perez, also of Berlin, Georgia, sustained minor head injuries.

**1993-94 Nicholas County Homecoming Queen candidates**



Kim Denkins Tawnya Livingood Alicia Sibert Traci Brulne Crystal Workman