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NCWD opens Carlisle office; hires personnel

By Heather Mathes-Harris
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CARLISLE—Since the Nicholas County Water District's contract with AQUA KNS, the district's previous management company, has been officially terminated, the district has opened an office off Broadway and hired Bruce Hall as office manager and Paul Barker as maintenance manager.

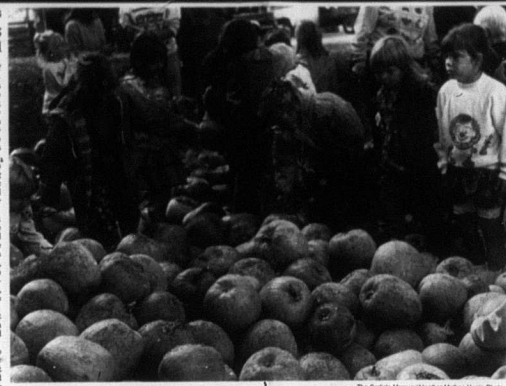
Water Board members opened the Thursday evening meeting by outlining specific duties and then hiring Hall and Barker after they agreed to their respective job descriptions.

"You would be filling out work orders for Paul and taking phone calls from customers. You will also be doing the billing after he reads the meters each month and coming to the meetings, acting as secretary each month since Paula Hunter has resigned," Garvey Curtstinger, water board chairman, said in Hall.

He also said it would take at least a month to purchase a computer system for billing and get it installed.

"I'm looking into getting help from the Kentucky Rural Water Association. Vernon Brown at Farmer's Home said they would help us set up this computer system in any way they could," Curtstinger said.

Jim Caswell, board member, asked if Hall would be making



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Nicholas County Volunteer Firefighters responded to the scene of this barn fire on Watkins Lane early Friday morning. According to Nicholas County Fire Chief Mark Hughes, the barn, belonging to Darnell Hughes was full of tobacco. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

NCWD gives AQUA walking papers

By Heather Mathes-Harris
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CARLISLE—A contract for management services provided by AQUA KNS for the Nicholas County Water District has been officially terminated.

According to Dawn Letcher, attorney for the water district, records previously held by AQUA have been retained.

"AQUA wanted us, as a district, to approve an outstanding balance owed to them by the district. My legal opinion was without having access to those records we have no way of knowing what is owed and what services have been performed," Letcher said.

The records include 15 boxes of customer and other receipts, meter logs, bills, etc.

"In short, the core of the district's business is in those records," Letcher said.

"We will be performing an independent audit on the records to determine what is owed, and we won't know the exact figure

Program organized

By Jason Hart
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CARLISLE—The Nicholas County Senior Citizens, and Bluegrass Oncologists have organized a program for senior citizens and those interested in learning more about programs for seniors.

The program, called "Planning Today For a Successful Tomorrow," will be held November 6, at Nicholas County Elementary School. The program will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Request turned down

By Heather Mathes-Harris
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CARLISLE—Jim Simon, Nicholas County High School Site-based Decision Making Council member, asked the council if there is any way possible it could honor Nicholas County coaches by sending them to the state tournament.

"Most schools in this area honor and award their coaches by sending them to their respective state tournaments, Harrison County, Bourbon County, Bath, they all do it and I don't see why we couldn't do the same," Simon said.

He also said that coaches should not be forced to take personal days off or be docked of pay in order to attend state tournaments.

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October 17-23 designated as School Safety Week in state

By Heather Mathes-Harris
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CARLISLE—Governor Brenton Jones signed a Proclamation last week designating October 17-23 School Safety Week.

Nicholas County Judge Executive Bruce Simon and Carlisle Mayor Frankie Hughes were on hand to sign the proclamation on Thursday, October 14.

"A part of the Proclamation reads that the tragedy of accidental injury and death among the young is a major concern in our society." J.W. Ballard, At Risk Coordinator for the Nicholas County School system, said.

"Violence has become a way of life in this modern day society, we wanted to call attention to the fact that safety is very important - this comes from the state, but we have to get the message to the young people in our community."

In Brief

Coats needed by Coat Closet

The Community Coat Closet needs more coats in children's sizes, according to Charles Casper, Coordinator for the Nicholas County Family and Youth Resource Center.

Coats may be brought to Carlisle Cleaners, Department of Social Services or the Resource Center.

The Coats will be cleaned and distributed to deserving children.

For more information contact Casper, 289-3700.

Farmers may be eligible for aid

Nicholas County wheat producers that had a 1993 wheat crop disaster of 85 percent or more need 1994 crop insurance. The deadline to purchase 1994 wheat multiple peril crop insurance is October 31, 1993.

For additional information contact the Nicholas County ABCS Office located 605 Morefield Road or call 289-2234.

Meeting for adoptive parents to be held

An information meeting for persons interested in being foster or adoptive parents will be held Monday, October 26, at 6 p.m. at the Paris - Bourbon County Public Library Meeting room, 701 High Street. For information call Marie Halpin at 997-6052.

Revival to be held

Revival services will begin at the Saltwell United Methodist Church, Monday, October 25, October 30, 7 p.m.

Reverend James Doughton, Pastor of the Carlisle United Methodist Church will be the evangelist.

Citizens can take closer look during telecast October 24

Area citizens will have an opportunity to take a closer look at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) at an open house and satellite telecast on Sunday, October 24.

The 8 p.m. program will be presented at the Owensville Ward Chapel on Ky. 26 one-half mile south of 14th at Exit 121.

The membership of the Owensville Ward includes nearly 500 persons in Bath, Menifee, Montgomery and Rowan counties and part of Nicholas County.

For more information contact Keith Happs at 782-2011.

Red Ribbon Week to be held Oct. 23-31

Students across the state will celebrate drug and alcohol free lifestyles during Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31.

This special observance is sponsored by the Cabinet for Human Resources, Division of Substance Abuse, CHAMPIONS program, and the Kentucky Federation of Parents for Drug-Free Youth.

Wearing or displaying a red ribbon during Red Ribbon Week symbolizes opposition to the illegal use of drugs and alcohol.



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