

5 Years Ago
Thursday, March 3, 1989
Kentucky State Police Trooper Timothy Layne, 31, has been assigned to Nicholas County. Layne is a five-year veteran of the Kentucky State Police and has served that post at the Hazard Post of the Kentucky State Police.

20 Years Ago
Thursday, February 28, 1974
Kentucky Utilities Company's franchise payment of \$4,713,652 was delivered this week to Mayor William Power of Carlisle by KU Manager Morris Whaley. The check represents three per cent of KLU's 1973 revenues from the residential and commercial electric customer territory. This compares with the previous year's payment of \$4,175.

10 Years Ago
Thursday, March 1, 1984
Six Nicholas Counties returned from a month-long tour to New Zealand and Australia and sponsored a series of dinners for the trip were Billy and Jeanne Parker, Taylor and Arlene Mahan, and Charles and Betty Hopkins.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Editor: In today's issue I was pleased to see a photo of four youngsters (one of which was your staff member Heather Mathes-Harris) who had been winners in a 41st talent show and were on a performance on Channel 19's Show Showcase several weeks ago.

I was privileged to have been involved with some of these youngsters, and I am proud to have been the mother of one of the children in the photo today was a young fellow named Jeff. He is the tallest show, I thought I'd tell you what happened from my involvement, and last for the next five years.

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The time I was privileged to share with these children will always be a special memory to me, and I often read the "Memories" section of the Mercury to see if there are any items concerning them. I am always pleased and proud when I see any of them mentioned.

Over the past five years, over 20 children were in the Oaks, and Connie Howard became a co-sponsor of the group. A more caring person with young people could not have been found.

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COMMUNITY FEATURES

Lions continue fight to prevent blindness

By Heather Mathes-Harris
of the Carlisle Mercury Staff
CARLISLE — "They walked together over the sunset, and over above the sun, across tines that had been used by me, washed by time, gentle patterns of roses and white flowers flowing into the white glow, with each color and shade of pottery were rolled to people, all their colors and designs soaked back into the earth. The position of the sun in the sky was delicate, transitional, and the season was unmistakable. The sky was the early morning color of autumn. James Turquoise, edged with thin quartz clouds." — from *Geometry*, by Leslie Harmon Kline.

and are working hard to organize and even "mobilize" their communities to help fight the battle against preventable blindness. "With over 1.4 million Lions on continents, Lions Clubs are uniquely suited to conquer blindness," Lester said. "Lions Club International is working with the World Health Organization, leading Ophthalmologist and National Missionaries of health to implement special projects to save eyesight."

In the Bluegrass State, thousands are helped by the eyeBank in Lexington and Louisville and clinics all over Kentucky. "The Nicholas County Lions Club bought a Latis Eye Examination machine. This machine is available at the following locations: In Nicholas County: - Amana's Grocery - Berry's Grocery Station - Bowler's Grocery - Carlisle IGA - Camps Quick Stop - Cockert's Shopwise - Crossroad Chevron - Gray's Grocery - Hoopkie Drug - JIMM's Gift Shop - Jockey International - Laylart's Grocery - McDonald's Grocery - Neal's - Plunk's Grocery - Snapp's Grocery Station - The Carlisle Mercury - Tracks Restaurant in Hillsburg - Miersburg Market - The Bridge in Sharpshooter - Sharpshooters Country - The Corner Store

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Advertisement for KWIKSET TITAN. It features a picture of a Titan product and text describing the product. It says: "KWIKSET TITAN. Where Security Means a Great Deal. A designed booklet starts with what you can't see. Like designed-in strength, security and easy installation. A 50-year warranty against mechanical failure and an endorsement from the National Police Officers Association of America."

Advertisement for Reid & Vice. It features a picture of a Reid & Vice product and text describing the product. It says: "Reid & Vice. CARPENTER • HARDWARE • PAINT • PLUMBING • ELECTRIC 289-7175 Carlisle, KY 1-800-273-7924"

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