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Date set for Memories '94
The annual supplement honoring the graduating class of Nicholas County High School will be a part of the June 9 edition of The Carlisle Mercury. Graduation day for Nicholas County Seniors is June 5. The supplement, Memories '94, will come out after graduation this year so that pictures of the graduation ceremonies can be included. See the ad inside for more information.

Memorial Day services, remembrances slated
According to Dorsey Weathers, Adjutant of American Legion Post #17 that stand the Post and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #6666 will honor their fallen comrades with a 21-gun salute in front of the Soldiers Monument in Carlisle Cemetery on Sunday, May 22 at 11 a.m. Ladies Auxiliaries of both units will place a wreath at the monument.

Statewide jobless rate at lowest level in 16 yrs.
According to a report from the Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky's jobless rate hit a 16-year low in April. The rate, which was revised from the 5.2 percent mark in March, fell to 4.9 percent. Agriculture accounted for the biggest increase in employment, adding 5,500 jobs to the state total.

Area Weather Forecast
Thursday & Friday: Sunny, with a light chance of thunderstorms. Highs near 90, lows in the 40's.
Saturday & Sunday: Continued warm, partly cloudy, highs around 85, lows near 50.

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County awards EMS contract

By Leigh Stone
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CARLISLE - The Nicholas County Fiscal Court unanimously approved the ambulance service bid of Ronald and Joyce McDonald during a special meeting held beginning 4 p.m. Friday, May 20, but expressed some hesitancy in accepting the bid, too.
"I think they got us over a barrel," stated magistrate Danny Hughes.
Only two bids made deadline on Friday with the McDonald's bid coming in at 3:16 p.m. Friday according to Dana Price of the county judge executive's office.
The McDonald's bid was for \$84,000, the same as their last bid. A bid from Ronnie Burden of Cynthiana was for \$78,000, lower than his previous bid of \$84,000.
The McDonald's have previously served Nicholas County as contract holders for the Nicholas County Ambulance Service for 10 years.
The bid accepted last Friday was the third bid the county made to the Fiscal Court for the 1994-95 contract. Their current contract for 1993-94 was for \$72,000. Their first bid for the new 1994-95 contract was for \$98,000 to buy equipment for heart patients and emergency raises. Their bid, the only one received by deadline April 18, was rejected by the fiscal court.
The approved 1994-95 contract goes into effect July 1.



National Honor Society sponsor Kathy Green, far left, talked with some of her NHS students during the School Community Recognition Program held Monday, May 23, at Nicholas County Elementary School. The program was sponsored by the Nicholas County Lions Club, Nicholas County Rotary Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Monday afternoon, Joyce McDonald commented, "They called us that afternoon after the meeting. I talked with the judge's secretary (Dana Price). I was surprised they had turned our other bids down."
Joyce McDonald attended the May 18 meeting with her first \$84,000 bid. Magistrates asked if she would reduce the bid, more in the range of the lowest bid, received by Philip Turner of Cynthiana for \$76,000.
"Joyce called Ronnie and told the magistrate that \$80,000 was the lowest the McDonald's could accept."
However, Nicholas County Attorney Jack Conley warned magistrates that bids could not be lowered.
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Democratic nominations slated

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CARLISLE - The totals were in by 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, in what could be the lightest voter turnout for a primary election in Nicholas County history.
This is one of the lightest voter turnouts we've ever had," said Board of Election member Tom Henzley.
In the State Representative race for the 72nd Rep. District, Jim Lovell led with 216 votes, with Andy Stone receiving total 179 votes.
Denny Nunneley led in the State Senator 30th Senatorial District race with 228 votes. James Stuart Thomas received total 130 votes. Jerry L. Atwood received 24 total votes.
Tabulations for Nicholas County's six precincts is as follows:
Headquarters - 32 total; Denny Nunneley, 15; James Stuart Thomas, 13; Jerry L. Atwood, 4; Andy Stone, 10; Jim Lovell, 19.
Hartsville - 29 total; Denny Nunneley, 8; James Stuart Thomas, 17; Jerry L. Atwood, 3; Andy Stone, 21; Jim Lovell, 8.
Hafferty-Myers - 72 total;

Denny Nunneley, 45; James Stuart Thomas, 19; Jerry L. Atwood, 4; Andy Stone, 14; Jim Lovell, 22.
Moorefield-East Union - 81 total; Denny Nunneley, 51; James Stuart Thomas, 17; Jerry L. Atwood, 6; Andy Stone, 30; Jim Lovell, 43.
Engine House/Mayor's Office - 126 total; Denny Nunneley, 65; James Stuart Thomas, 46; Jerry L. Atwood, 7; Andy Stone, 28; Jim Lovell, 33.
City Building/Mathias - 69 total; Denny Nunneley, 39; James Stuart Thomas, 23; Jerry L. Atwood, 4; Andy Stone, 30; Jim Lovell, 30.

Board pleased with applicants

By Leigh Stone
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CARLISLE - Nicholas County Board of Education members are pleased with the quality of applicants they've interviewed for the position of Nicholas County superintendent.
Members all stated they thought the position would be filled by July 1.
Superintendent Robert Gilbert will complete his contract June 30.
"We've interviewed applicants from both Ohio and western Kentucky and both interviews have been good. Both seemed like people who really wanted the job and are both qualified," said board member Sammie Vee Monday morning.
In addition to being good interviewees, both applicants interviewed at Monday, May 23, were shown the Carlisle/Nicholas County area and seemed to like the area, Vee mentioned.
The superintendent screening committee recommended applicants to the board May 9.

The recommended candidates included Patrick S. Clow, assistant superintendent of Harlan County Schools; Randy Beverly, assistant superintendent of Fulton County Schools; Dr. Larry Raderberger, retired superintendent of Fairfield Schools in Ohio; and John B. Radjunas, high school principal in Montgomery County.
Three interviews were held as of press time with another scheduled for Wednesday, May 25.
Board member Jimmy Dale commented, "The quality of applicants have been, in my opinion, outstanding. The man from Fairfield, Ohio, has a Ph. D. I made the comment, 'to him, you're over-qualified.' To have someone like that would be unique for this area. But, we'll be interviewing all the applicants. It's only fair."
Vee mentioned that he'd talked with several community members about the qualifications they'd like to have in the next Nicholas County superintendent. One of my concerns was, how would the community feel if someone was selected from out of state, just in case that happened.
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Sue Bowles, left behind counter, talks with customers at the store set up at the Old Northwest Territory Primitive Rendezvous at Clay Wildlife Management. Sue and her husband, Bob, sold a valuable commodity - ice, as well as potato chips, hot dogs and sodas pop.

Bygone era revisited at gathering

By Leigh Stone
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CARLISLE - A forgotten era of buckskin, beads and feathers, the adornments of early Americans, can still be found at the Old Northwest Territory Primitive Rendezvous.
Held at Clay Wildlife Management off Cassidy Creek Road in Nicholas County, a vicinity of 800 people gathered in a wilderness clearing to live the lifestyle of pre-1840.
Sunday, May 22 was Visitor's Day of the event, which began May 21 and continues until May 29.
"Settlers from Iowa, Wisconsin, other parts of Ohio and a few local people talked with the Carlisle Mercury Sunday afternoon."
"In Wisconsin you could be at one of these very weekend," said Rita Larvey of Wisconsin. Rita is employed as an interpreter for Old World Wisconsin. She and her husband, Bill Larvey, travel the Rendezvous circuit as a hobby. Most of the time, it's a family affair with their grandchildren and their children camping out in the tee-pee, too.
"You get a great sense of satisfaction by being here. We've met people from all over the U.S. This is really a forgotten era. There's not a man in this camp that I couldn't ask for help. I wouldn't be afraid to ask. A lot of single women are here and they wouldn't be afraid to ask for help if they need it and they don't feel afraid being here. I say there are children in this camp and they would protect every woman and child here. It's just a good, old-fashioned feeling of a small, old-time small area community town," Rita described.
She gladly showed off the Larvey tee-pee. It takes 45 minutes to assemble the bone
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NCWD awaits green light on project

By Leigh Stone
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CARLISLE - The Nicholas County Water District is finalizing plans to get the push ahead from Farmers Home Administration and the Public Service Commission to begin the \$1.7 million water line extension project that will provide another 35 miles of water line.
"I want to be there when the shovel goes in the dirt. It's been a long, hard road," stated Jim Kirby, member of the NCWD.
The project needs to get started to the contractor's supply prices won't go up.
"I see no reason we can't dig before June 29," commented NCWD Chairman Garvey Curtinger.
The contract bid by Kenney Inc. of Mt. Sterling had previously been accepted by the water district. Kenney's contract price are good for 90 days, making June 29 the last day that Kenney could guarantee prices.
"I hope you get a nickel a foot, that's \$30,000," Curtinger commented. "If we get him committed by June 15, he has to honor that price."
The effort of NCWD started to the contractor's supply prices won't go up.
Sue Bowles, Jim Simons, Chairman Garvey Curtinger,

employee Grant Paynter and Howard K. Bell Engineering Consultant Inc. representative Steve Dale in attendance.
Almost all the assessments have been attained, Curtinger told Kirby.
Kirby made a motion to pay the engineering company \$50,000. The motion was unanimously approved. It was the first money they will receive for their work. They've worked two years and not received any payment until now.
The effort of NCWD started Thursday, May 19 at the South Broadway NCWD office with Sue Kirby, Sue Bowles, Jim Simons, Chairman Garvey Curtinger,



Bob Bowles, co-owner of B & B Livery, U.S. 32, was really busy at the store set up Sunday at the Old Northwest Territory Primitive Rendezvous. Both Bob and his wife, Sue, were in the spot of the rendezvous, wearing pre-1840 clothing.