

Come out to Tourism's Pig Roast
 Carlisle-Nicholas County Tourism will hold a Pig Roast on September 17, from 5 to 8 p.m. The Roast will be held at the Old Jail.

Bench Show and Field Trials scheduled
 The Central Kentucky Foxhunter's Association will hold their Annual Bench Show and Field Trials on September 21 through the 24. For more information, see their ad inside the issue of The Carlisle Mercury.

Millersburg holds Chautauqua Days
 The Seventh Annual Chautauqua Day is scheduled to get underway in Millersburg on September 16, and will run through the 18th. Check it out for family fun!

Saturday & Sunday: Seasonably cool, cloudy. Highs near eight degrees.

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Hospital administrator tenders resignation

By Leigh Stone
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 CARLISLE - Nicholas County Hospital Administrator Dan Miller has tendered his resignation.

The resignation was announced following a special called meeting of the Nicholas County Hospital Board held Monday, Sept. 5.

Shepherd said Miller would be leaving a formal statement concerning the resignation.

Hospital board members said The Mercury Miller had one year left on his contract, which they bought. Miller's approximate annual salary is \$65,000.

Miller's resignation comes at a time of both growth and decline at the hospital. Two weeks ago, reductions in employee hours were given to various personnel, excluding nurses.

The patient load this summer, according to Shepherd, has been about seven patients. In the past week or so, the patient load has doubled. When inpatient was begun, the patient load is usually in the 20 to 30 patient range, Shepherd confirmed.



Nicholas County Hospital Administrator Dan Miller displays the plans for the new nursing home addition here, but tendered his resignation last week. Miller will serve the hospital until Sept. 20.

Miller's many accomplishments helped local hospital grow

By Leigh Stone
 OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF
 CARLISLE - Nicholas County Hospital will say good-bye to administrator Dan Miller Sept. 20, the day his resignation takes effect, but his accomplishments will remain.

In Miller's four years at the hospital he has proved many accomplishments, said Director of Public Relations Josh Shepherd.

The highlights include:

- The attainment of a CAT scan device.
- Employees trained in mammography.
- Acceptance by the Joint Commission Accreditation HealthCare Organization (JCAHO).

• The construction of a new modern 56-bed nursing home facility adjacent to the hospital.

Miller, originally from outside New York, has many years in the health care administration field, Shepherd said. Miller was hired by the hospital board to replace Robert Hester, who had held the administrator's position 10 years before his resignation.

The changes started virtually as soon as he got here, Shepherd said. Miller, after taking the hospital from a financial deficit and making it improve financially, he was able to get a CAT scan device. The diagnostic radiology tool used for brain scans in one step below the larger, more costly MRI device, Shepherd said.

Next, Miller encouraged employees to get mammography and ultra-sound training. "He encouraged a lot of people to continue with their education. And he approved the purchase of an ultra-sound machine."

Shepherd said Miller's most positive improvement was getting construction started for the 56-bed nursing home that will replace the current 55-bed nursing home. "Now we have a Participants came from

New board member sworn in Teachers dispute longevity increments passed in June

By Leigh Stone
 OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF
 CARLISLE - A new school board member, Diane Willis, was sworn in during Monday night's regular Nicholas County Board of Education meeting just a little before teachers confronted the board about a discrepancy in the salary increases adopted in June.

Teachers with 20 to 24 years of experience asked why they didn't get the longevity increase they thought was passed by the board June 27.

"If you need to make a new motion of give us our \$2,000," requested teacher Charity Griffith.

Approximately 20 people attended the meeting held at the Central School Office.

The board passed a motion June 27 for an across the board five percent salary increase for both certified and classified employees. However, after study by administrator Bill Guthrie on Tuesday, the motion passed by the board was that the longevity increases be by increments at the 25th year and the 30th year. Before June, the longevity increments stopped at 20 years.

The increase of \$2,000 given at the 25th year and the 30th year were the increments stated in the salary schedule adopted by the board.

Guthrie was present as former Superintendent Robert Gilbert devised the salary schedule, said Nicholas County Superintendent Randy Eversly.

Open Gates Garden Club to meet Sept. 19

By Leigh Stone
 OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF
 CARLISLE - The Nicholas County Open Gates Garden Club will meet September 19th at 2 p.m. at The Depot.

Helen Gifford will tell of her trip to Australia.

Hostesses will be Ruth Heller and Betty Clavner.

Conservation district meeting scheduled

The Nicholas County Conservation District monthly meeting will be held 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 605 Moorefield Road, Carlisle.

ASCS committee to meet Sept. 20

Robert Wiseman, a representative of Congressman Eddy Bassler, will meet with local farmers and businessmen at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20 at County Judge Executive Chuck Smith's office at the Nicholas County Courthouse. Wiseman and the local committee will discuss ways to keep the local ASCS office open.

Local men indicted in furniture theft

A Montgomery County grand jury issued an eight county indictment Friday, Sept. 9, against two Carlisle men, William "Mike" Power, 35, and Jeff Allen Glass, 23. The men received the indictments charges in connection with a felony charge of receiving stolen property worth more than \$300.

Graves family reunion set for Sept. 25

The William Henry Graves Family Reunion will be held September 25, 1994 at the upper level of the Working Building at Blue Licks State Park. A basket lunch will be served at noon. Professional picture taking will be at 1:30 p.m. and a craft auction will be at 2:30 p.m.

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Elk Creek Stables saddle up for charity

Participants came from throughout the area to bring sponsor sheets pledging funds for the ride. Proceeds went to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

"Elk Creek Stables would like to thank everyone who helped to make the benefit a success."

stated the Hunters. There were 40 riders and more than \$1,000 raised for the 10-mile ride.

The Blue Licks State Park gave a special permit to the owners of the stables, David and Marty Hunter, to bring riders through on the final leg of the ride.

From the park, the riders went back to the campgrounds of Elk Creek Stables for a cook-out.

Food for the cook-out was continued on Page 9

Council introduces city payroll tax

By Jason Hart
 OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF
 CARLISLE - The Carlisle City Council introduced the first reading of an ordinance establishing a 1 percent payroll tax in a regular session Monday night.

Mayor Ronnie Clark initiated the subject by asking council members if they want to continue the city sticker program.

"We make about \$20,000 in the salaries," Clark said. "If we eliminate them, we have to have something to make up the difference."

Councilman Tommy Vaughn made the suggestion council institute a 5 percent payroll tax.

"Right now, we're stripping the utilities fund to help pay for everything else," Clark said. "If we do away with the insurance premium tax, which is 10 percent right now, or if we lower it by much, we need to go with a 1 percent payroll tax."

Clark said with a 5 percent payroll tax, it would make a formal reply to the board.

Courthouse roof to get patch job before bad weather

By Leigh Stone
 OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF
 CARLISLE - The Nicholas County Courthouse roof will be patched until new about a great fire-roof building is received.

Only one roof bid made the Nicholas County Fiscal Court deadline Tuesday. The bidder, Olesensky Association, will be notified no bids were accepted or rejected until further notice.

The court applied for a state grant with help of Bluegrass Area Development District. A spokesperson there said it would be another couple of months before grant recipients were named.

All members of Fiscal Court were in attendance at Tuesday's regular meeting including County Judge Executive Chuck Smith and magistrates Juanita Smith and Mary Thurnburg.

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The Carlisle Mercury/Mason Branch Photo
 Bluejacket 32, Duane Kenney, gets involved in a tackle and a touchdown at Fairview near Ashland last Friday night. The Nicholas County Bluejackets took the first victory of the season at Fairview with a score of 32-16. The Bluejackets take on Paintsville Friday.