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Tea Luncheon
Make your reservation now to attend the Tourism Inc. tea luncheon 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24 at The Old Jail, downtown Carlisle. Call Helen Hopkins at 289-7752 or Carol Sparks at 289-5544.

Back to school
See page 9 in this issue for a list of local sports programs, school safety. Classes began in Nicholas County today, Thursday, Aug. 24. Be sure and get next week's edition with a special section of this year's Nicholas County football teams.

LIONS CLUB
FALL HORSE SHOW
BE AT WEST END PARK, CARLISLE, 7 P.M. SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, FOR THE NICHOLAS COUNTY LIONS CLUB FALL HORSE SHOW. SHOW MANAGER IS STEVE FRYMAN. SHOW SECRETARY IS EDDIE CARTER.

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Thursday - Partly sunny. High 87, Low 66.
Friday - Still partly sunny. High 88, Low 68.
Saturday - Partly sunny. High 84, Low 67.

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Computers to be ordered Ricky Hicks takes District 2 school board seat

By Leigh Stone
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CARLISLE - Ricky Hicks was sworn in as interim board member at the regular Nicholas County Board of Education meeting held Monday night.

Hicks was selected to the board upon the recommendation of a committee of school board members from other Kentucky counties. He replaces former vice chairman Jimmy Dale in District 2, who resigned his position for personal reasons May 15.

Hicks is director of finance for Kentucky Textiles, Paris, and is one of three other candidates in the November general election for District 2. The other candidates are Charles Rogand Dr. Marian Williams.

With classes for students beginning Thursday, August 24, the board made its annual building inspection as part of the meeting. Board member Don Elder commented, "Elder said one roof leak was found at the elementary school, however, the board voted unanimously to purchase 30 desktop computers from Epoch Corporation of Wauconda, Illinois at a cost of \$999 each. The company had sent in a bid for the computers, but listed tower models rather than desktop. As vice pointed out, the tower models

could be kicked over if placed on the floor. Everly recommended to the board to purchase desktop computers from Epoch at a price not to exceed \$1,028 per unit.

"We're talking about \$30,000. It depends on how badly they want to sell them. It shouldn't be a problem. Some bids list the same price for either type unit, Everly told board members.

"It depends on how bad they want to sell them. It shouldn't be a problem."

Fifteen computers would be at the elementary with 15 placed at the high school. The board also voted unanimously for Superintendent Randy Everly to look at two portable mobile units in Warren County. The double-wide units would be used for special education classes at both the high school and elementary school. They would be placed where an adequate sewage system would be located. At the high school, that could be near the Industrial Art class. At the elementary, it would be where the Family Youth Resource Center is located, Everly said.

The mobile units are about 10 years old. If adequate, they would be moved to the school rather than buying new units, the board agreed.

With a motion by Elder and a second by Hicks, State Farm Insurance was named the district insurance company for the 1995-96 school year from Sept. 1, 1995 to Aug. 31, 1996. The \$10,561 cost was a little more expensive

than coverage offered by Curnel and Higbie, which was recommended because the company offered more coverage. The Indiana insurance company currently holds the building insurance for the district. Everly said it was adequate to cover the costs of the recent vandalism of the Family Resource Center.

The company is offered through state approved cooperative.

"I'd be remiss if I didn't recommend to you the other company it's more insurance for more money."

However, after some discussion, State Farm was selected for prior service record. Board member Don Elder, a former Nicholas County School superintendent, said the board might like to go to the district because of his past experience with the company.

Chairman Claver said he wasn't against trying a new

agency. When bids came through for the building insurance, a competitor bid out to Curnel and Higbie. A representative for the other competing insurance company told Claver his company would be to be more competitive next year and that it had lost bids to several other districts in the state to Curnel and Higbie. That told me he was sure sticking the price in

somebody, when he said he'd have to figure a little tighter next time, Claver said.

There was a \$387 difference between the two insurance companies, Claver noted.

Attorney Letcher told the board it wouldn't necessarily be better to purchase more insurance because in Kentucky, a school board couldn't be sued for more than it was insured.

The board also unanimously voted to amend the investment policy to meet all state requirements.

The following personnel were accepted as bus drivers: Annast Dumper, Chastita Ritchie, Addie Jefferson, Earl W. Mattingly, Sue Doyle, Louise Colton, Don Smith, Tommy Stone, W. C. Jefferson, Carl Cochran, Annette Flora, Elaine Hardsick, Mary Jo McDuff, Linda Stone, Bill Fryman, Billy K. Anderson.

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School Board Attorney Dawn Letcher, left, gave the oath before new interim school board member Ricky Hicks.

Fiscal Court make road recommendations to state

By Leigh Stone
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CARLISLE - Four Nicholas County roads may get black-top with state funds if approval is okayed.

A request also made to build a bridge on Ithmae Chapel Road.

Magistrates of Nicholas County Fiscal Court presented their recommendations to Judge Keith, District 9 Engineer, Tom Carpenter, engineering assistant, and Henry Roark, operations engineer, during a special called meeting held 4 p.m. Monday. Funds, if approved, would come through the state rural highway budget, Keith said.

Recommendations for roads included the following, to be completed in the order listed:

- Ithmae Chapel Bridge in Magistrate Daryl Stacy's district.

- Osborn Road in Magistrate Joanna Smith's district.

- 1.1 mile of Berry Road back to Concord Road, located in Magistrate Joanna Smith's district.

- Locust Grove in Magistrate Avery Thornburg's district.

- Dogwalk Road, in Magistrate Melvin Fryman's district.

- I can take these recommendations back to State Rural Secondary Systems and try to get the money. I'll try to get these let in either September or October with a completion date of June 30 next year, Keith said.

- Magistrate Stacy asked Keith

- if there was something Fiscal Court or Keith could do to get some additional financial help from the state. "If I knew, I'd take it myself" Keith kidded.

- Keith's District 9 takes care of 14 counties in the surrounding area including Nicholas, Bath, Fleming, Mason, Lewis, Greenup, Boyd, Carter, Rowan and Elliott counties.

- Iris Cumbs of Mt. Sterling, high school English; Amanda Blanton of Frankfort, Spanish; Kim Relshey of Morehead, physical ed.; Debra Richardson of Paris, math; and John Norman of Paris, health and physical education and varsity basketball coach. Norman's appointment was recommended by the high school site based council Monday evening.

- Baby items

- needed by

- Resource Center

- Chris, baby supplies, toys and other infant items are needed by the Nicholas County Family Youth Resource Center. Barbara Hopkins, social worker for the center, asks those able to contribute to drop items off at the center or call for pick-up of some larger items at 288-1416.

- ashland station gets closer to closure date

- By Leigh Stone

- Of The Carlisle Mercury Staff

- CARLISLE** - "Out of gas" signs enclosed the three fuel pumps at McDonald's Ashland last Friday afternoon, marking another step toward the station's impending closure.

- "We just ran out, said mechanic Kenny Street last Friday afternoon, taping the big white cardboard posters to the pumps alerting customers of the predicament."

- McDonald's Ashland executives alerted Ronnie and Joyce McDonald, co-owners of the station, about the closure this past spring. The company has

- been at the hotel we were at were from

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SHAISTA MCNABB

JENNIFER LIVINGOOD

Lady Jackets tell of Belgium trip to remember

By Leigh Stone
Of The Carlisle Mercury Staff
CARLISLE - The people who will remember the trip will be the most.

The winning Silver Cup trophy, earning the Lady Jackets second place, will be the reminder of the trip of a lifetime.

From Aug. 15, the girls visited historic Brugge, Brussels, Belgium, Antwerp, Amsterdam, and even Paris, France.

Just back from representing Kentucky in a week-long Bel-

gium Basketball Tour, McNabb and Livingood, Nicholas County High School Lady Jackets, made news and learned a few new basketball tips.

"They're much more physical than we are," McNabb and Livingood agreed both Lady Jackets.

"And faster paced," described Livingood.

The winning edge came from being quick with the ball, Livingood said. "We're used to running here. The other teams might run - but not like us."

As the girls explained, the

rules were a little different from playing locally. They wouldn't call a foul on you no matter what. You could kill somebody on the other team and they wouldn't make a call, Livingood said.

Admittedly, McNabb and Livingood stood out. While the Scandic Hotel talking to other team players, the Lady Jackets were often reminded about their "southern" accent.

Some players of other U.S. teams even went as far to say that Kentucky would be easy to

beat. They didn't know these Nicholas County girls very well.

The fast running girls from the Bluegrass and their team won the second place spot in the tour. Only the Gold Cup, the first place prize, would have been more prestigious.

"We got a lot of respect after that," Livingood said.

"What I tell people about the trip, I talk more about the people I saw than the places. People in the hotel we were at were from

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