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## Championship

The Bluegrass Conference Championship will be held Thursday, Oct. 19 at Nicholas County High School. Seventh grade games start at 6 a.m. with the eighth grade game afterward. The eighth graders will meet up with East County for the championship game. The high school open house is also being held that night with parents of students and community members invited.

## Candidates '95

Gubernatorial candidates respond to questions in their own words in the Kentucky Candidate Information Survey. The Carlisle Mercury is pleased to publish the survey on Page 11.

## 1905 BABIES

THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED TO A 1905 BABIES BIRTHDAY PARTY BEING SPONSORED BY CARLISLE, NICHOLAS COUNTY TOURISM INC. 2 TO 4 P.M. SUNDAY, OCT. 22 AT THE OLD HALL'S HOME, MAIN STREET, CARLISLE. SEVERAL NICHOLAS COUNTYANS BORN IN 1905 WILL BE HONORED.

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The Carlisle Mercury Annals Meets Photo Tara George, far right, 1994 Nicholas County High School Homecoming Queen, crowns 1995 Homecoming Queen Lisa Brooks on Oct. 13. Also shown are Lena's escort, Bradley Burden, and Brian Smoot and Stacy Robinson. Read Marie's game coverage on page 8.

## Car/bus accident injures man's arm

By Leigh Stone  
OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF  
CARLISLE—An accident last week involving a Nicholas County School bus left the student passengers unharmed, but the driver of the other vehicle suffered a severe arm injury.

Nicholas County Transportation Officer Rob Lane informed the Nicholas County Board of Education during Monday night regular meeting that bus driver Cletus Ritchie handled the accident well.

"It behooves us to use the best buses we can for safety and maintenance," Lane said.

The man, Steve Jolly of McCracken St., Carlisle, had his arm outside his car. The arm was injured. The man was

"Mr. Ritchie told the students, 'It's gone to hit us, as he did everything he could to avoid the accident,'" Lane said.



The Carlisle Mercury's Leigh Stone Photo Ron Allison, left, presented Nicholas County Schools Superintendent Randy Ewery, right, with a \$400 check in recognition of the Board's Monday night board of education meeting. The NCHS board will receive \$300 with \$100 earmarked for a worthy student project.

## Courthouse roof bids make deadline

By Leigh Stone  
OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF  
CARLISLE—Nicholas County Courthouse may get a new roof before the snow falls. Two roof bids made the 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17 deadline.

The lowest bid was from Ottensmeyer Restoration, Marion, Ohio, of \$91,700 to \$95,700 depending on the type of copper and materials used.

The next bid was from Kiddell Roof Construction of Lexington with the bid range from \$94,000 to \$98,000.

Magistrates were silent after the bids were read. The figures of each bid. Both bids were \$15,000 higher than expected.

Following the meeting, Judge Smith said he thought he arranged for bids would be from \$75-\$78,000.

"We have \$52,000 in the budget for courthouse repairs," said Nicholas County Treasurer Wanda Deaton.

Fifty-two percent of the roof funding will come from the Administrative Office of Courts.

Fortunately, Dorsey Watkins had memorized the toll-free telephone number and saved Price a search. He knew the AOC number by memory since his wife, Sally Watkins, Circuit Clerk, also works with the AOC.

Hoffman had told the court a month ago he would need to look at the bids before releasing the 52 percent funding. A spokesperson from Hoffman's office told Judge Smith on the telephone that Hoffman would be in sometime Wednesday afternoon. Hoffman had earlier said it wouldn't take him long to make a determination about the bids, but didn't qualify a specific amount of time needed.

Piper said the roof bids were in effect for 30 days. He also mentioned that perhaps the bids were pulled since no bids were received the first time the court

made a bid request. Hughes said he hoped work could at least begin soon on the

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## Wants OEA explanation Board to consider Saturday school

By Leigh Stone  
OF THE CARLISLE MERCURY STAFF  
CARLISLE—A new Saturday discipline program for the Nicholas County Schools and some board member reaction to a letter from The State Office of Education Accountability headed the topics of Monday night's regular board meeting.

Nicholas County Elementary Principal Gerald Hammons said several surrounding school districts had used and approved of the Saturday School program.

The school could be open a half day, from 8 a.m. to noon, two Saturdays each month. It could be used as a step before suspension and expulsion.

School Board Chairman John Cleaver Jr. asked Hammons to explain the need for Saturday school. "We've talked with other

like before we suspend or expel someone that this will create another step before those two options," Hammons said. "We'd like to see it help," Hammons added.

Nicholas County High School school districts and we're at the point here we need to cut down on the number of detention, cut down on the number of suspensions and cut down on the number of expulsions. We feel

"I try to represent all the people in my district and all of Nicholas County. I treat everyone as an equal and it doesn't matter if they have a million dollars or a dollar."

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Principal Greg Reid agreed with Hammons that Saturday school would be a good discipline alternative.

Cleaver asked School Board Attorney Dawn Letcher about the legality of a parent refusing to transport a student to Saturday school. Letcher said she would research the topic and report back to the board.

Hammons said if a parent refused to measure, then the original options of detention, suspension and expulsion would be applied.

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## Free bean supper scheduled Saturday at Cynthiana rally

CYNTHIANA—A free bean soup and bread supper and multi-county Democratic rally will be held in Cynthiana 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 at Harrison County Middle School. Democrats from Harrison, Nicholas, Bourbon, Brecken, Fleming, Robertson and Scott counties are invited.

Gov. Jones "open door" held today

FRANKFORT—Gov. Bruce C. Jones has set the date for his next "Open Door After Four" for Thursday, Oct. 19 at the State Capitol. Jones will speak with any Kentuckian about any subject and will speak with all registered. Registration begins at 2 p.m. in Room 110. The do, will talk with people on a first-come, first-served basis.

Free attention deficit screenings provided

PARIS—Free attention deficit disorder screenings for both adolescents and adults will be provided free of charge at Bourbon General Hospital's annual Community Health Fair Saturday, Oct. 28.

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## County Attorney installs cold check program

The Nicholas County Attorney's office pursuant to RES 944 (4) is creating a cold check program to help area merchants in collecting those checks.

Assistant County Attorney Liba Farrah said, "we noticed an increasing amount of the gross to be collected on our local court system and we were looking for something to help local collection efforts."

Merchants wishing to participate and have a check returned for insufficient funds should bring the check immediately to the County Attorney's office. The County Attorney will then notify the maker of the check that they have 10 days to pay the check to the merchant.

A \$10 service fee is charged to the maker of the check. Since the County Attorney's office will notify the maker of the check by mailing a 10-day notice, the County

Attorney will then cause a warrant to be issued, or a criminal summons for that person to appear in court.

As stated by a news release from the attorney's office, "This program should result in faster reimbursement for the merchant at the least cost to the cold-check case coming through the County Attorney's office will notify the maker of the check by mailing a 10-day notice, the County

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## Water District grant bid rejected

Members of the Nicholas County Water District rejected that its proposed Phase 4 water extension project was rejected as a finalist in the statewide competition for Housing and Urban Community Development Block Grants.

There is enough disappointment to go around, said district Chairman Sam Reynolds. Work on the funding applications began late spring. The application was submitted mid-July. A detailed door-to-door survey showed that the project



The Carlisle Mercury's Leigh Stone Photo Lyle Associates architect James K. Piper, right, went over courthouse roof bids with Nicholas County Judge Executive Chuck Smith at Tuesday's special called meeting of the Fiscal Court.