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Big Blues Sisters say "Test Well!"
Janet Kay Smoot, left, and Dawn Gassen of Nicholas County Social Services put on their shades for a go-around of "We Will Test Well" to motivate juniors at NCHS to do their best on the KHIS tests. See pages 8-9 for more on last Friday's pep rally.

City not liable for
storm drain run-off
Resident asks
for solution

By Leigh Stone
Managing Editor
The city is not liable for an estimated \$60,000 of work that would be needed to repair the water overflow on Carlisle resident James Bean's four properties in the Broadway, Brooks Lane area of town.
Council members Sharon Faulconer, Libby Earlywine, Tommy Vaughn, Sandy Kitchie and Mayor Ronnie Clark visited the neighborhood at 6 p.m. Tuesday as a continuation of Monday night's meeting. Councilman Doug Garrett was absent at the Monday meeting and was at a hospital board meeting Tuesday night.
Bean came to the regular Monday meeting to see what council had decided from the March 11 meeting when he'd asked the bid to fix the overflow or if the city would make the repairs.
After he left Faulconer said, "Can't we go see what he's

talking about and make a decision." Clark called a special meeting for Tuesday to vote Bean's property and the 1.25 acres of land owned by Kim Soble and Brenne Hillier near the water crete Road. That land will be given to the city land contract lagoon for water filtration.
As Bean left Monday night's city council meeting, he commented, "I want someone to give me direction. I'm not gonna leave it like this."
Bean wants to develop his four pieces of property but can't because of water flow off state highway 36. He repeatedly asked council if it was his water flow or if council would approve more drainage.
City Attorney Skip Watson said council couldn't tell Bean to redirect the storm water runoff. For that thing, Bean would need to take his own money.

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County courthouse has
hopes for AOC renovation

By Leigh Stone
Managing Editor
Hopes for restoration of the Nicholas County Courthouse came in a letter dated March 19 from Nick Schwendeman, facilities general manager of the Administrative Office of the Courts, Frankfort.
"I understand your request for a grant through the Kentucky Department of Transportation was denied. I want to work with you to find funding to enable the repairs outlined," the AOC executive stated in his letter to Nicholas County Judge Executive Chuck Smith.
The AOC paid a little more than half on the courthouse road and would be willing to spend 22 percent of repair costs to the rest of the courthouse. A figure total of \$400,000 was given in the requested grant application.
Magistrate Darrel Stacy was informed by County Attorney Jack Conley that a loan would have to be paid at the end of one year.
Smith read some information from the ISTEA grant about the proposed repair costs of the courthouse. The dome and clock would cost an estimated \$37,000, the gutter, roof material \$90,000, new clock and face and miscellaneous stone framing, \$25,000, painting and repair and windows \$50,000, water proofing \$40,000, interior restoration \$20,000, with contingency of \$30,000 and an emergency fee of \$27,000.
JAIL FUND
The jail fund is nearing its limit again according to Nicholas County Treasurer Wanda Dodson.
"We're running very close again," she informed members of fiscal court.
Juvenile housing has cost the month alone \$2,700 and Dana Price, secretary to Chuck Smith, county judge executive Price's figures show the original jail budget at \$121,550 for the year with a total of \$162,107.78 spent as of March

31. "We've amended this thing before," Dodson commented as the court approved her request to transfer more funds from the general fund to the jail fund.
As of April 15, juvenile housing costs, amounted to \$11,720. For the year, adult housing cost the court \$120,809.
In other action, magistrates approved Mrs. ...
Booth to take Lenia Ockerman's place on the Nicholas County Library Board. Miss Linda Soper will remain on the board for another term, magistrates agreed.
Appointed Price as the Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA) representative for local flood disaster.
Agreed to get back with Shirley Tucker about her request to have a tractor pull at West End Park. Smith said the pulls could bring in money for needed lights. The recreation board would be asked for advice on how much to charge for the tractor pulls. Tucker said they were popular attractions in Fleming, Harlan, Harless and Ewing and would benefit Nicholas County by providing entertainment and revenue.
Accepted Ronald and Joyce McDonald's bid for the Nicholas County Ambulance Service at last year's price, \$84,000. The McDonalds have served the community in that capacity for more than 12 years.
McDonald's bid for road oil from Ashland Oil gave Northfield Oil the bid on petroleum and diesel fuel, and accepted all bids for rock, which came from Flemingsburg Mass.

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-In Brief-

Annual Tourism Dinner April 19
Mark your calendar now for your annual dinner Saturday, April 19, 6:20 p.m. at the Jailer's Home. The dinner will catered by the Tourist luncheon ladies, buffet style. The cost will be \$7.50 per person. Reservations need to be received by April 14. Call Gladys Shroat at (606) 289-5174. Following the dinner will be our annual meeting (brief) with electing officer board members.
The program for the evening will be a local group called, Doe Ology. They will present a wonderful gift music for our enjoyment. I ask if you have not heard this group, now is the prime time to do so.
1997 DUES ARE UP
FOR RENEWAL
Each year Tourism depends on the annual dues to help operate through out the year. Your membership will be honored through March 1998. The cost is \$5 a couple, \$5 single, \$3 for students. If you have a friend...

Tourism Derby Party Being Planned

On the evening of May 23 Tourism has planned our annual Pig Roast in conjunction with Derby Day Festivities. We will have a TV available to watch the annual Derby Race which will offer a tasty meal for those who choose to come and enjoy. There will be a Derby Jack Pot available beginning at 5 p.m. We will have an evening of music and dance by D.J. Charles Napier from Mt. Vernon. The dinner will be served from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at a cost of \$6 per person. The dance will begin around 8-12. The cost of the dance is \$15 single or \$25 a couple. Reservations need to be called in by April 30, call (606) 289-5174. Bring a friend to enjoy the evening.
Child Abuse Inauguration Ribbon Day Friday
The Nicholas County Child Abuse Prevention Committee would like to announce that Friday, April 18, will be Blue Ribbon Day in the City of Carlisle. There will be a ceremony at the courthouse on Friday at 12 p.m. During this ceremony, Mayor Ronnie Clark will present a proclamation naming it to be Child Abuse Prevention Month. Also, present will be poster contest winners from Nicholas County Elementary School.

Student of the Week



Kayte Sexton

This week's Student of the Week is Kayte Sexton. Sexton, a student at Nicholas County High School, is the daughter of Darrell and Anne Sexton of 178 Miller Station, Carlisle.
She enjoys being in HOSA, French Club, Drama Club and the Ecology Club.
Upon high school graduation she plans to study cosmetology at Kentucky Tech.
Her hobbies include singing and playing the piano.
She is a member of the church youth group at

Carlisle Assembly of God. NCHS Assistant Principal Ron Baker nominated Sexton for this honor. "She's a good kid. She's my office aid and she does a good job."
The Carlisle Mercury will profile one student each week, chosen by the faculty of their respective school. Watch this space in future issues.

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