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Jack McGraw, left, of General Restoration, Columbia, Ohio, explained the brick cleaning process of the Nicholas County Courthouse restoration to county magistrates Tuesday night. Shown are County Judge Executive Chuck Smith, Magistrate Juana Smith and Magistrate Daryl Stacy.

Magistrates select new senior center director

By Leigh Stone
Managing Editor

A new director of the Nicholas County Senior Citizens Center has been selected leaving other center employees unsure of their hours.

Angela Bowles was unanimously selected by the Nicholas County Fiscal Court

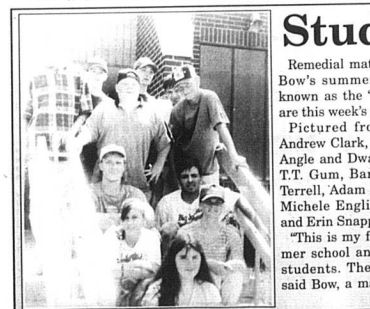
Council accepts new pay grade for city employees

By Leigh Stone
Managing Editor

There will be "room for a raise" for city employees if a new ordinance survives second reading at the next meeting of city council.

So far, the prospect has good council members Doug Garrett, Sharon Faulconer, Libby Earlywine, Frankie Hughes, Sandra Ritchie and Tommy Vaughn unanimously approving a new pay scale for city employees as recommended by Mayor Ronnie Clark.

Clark said the pay grade is \$8.25 an hour for a grade 16



Remedial math students in Roxanne Bow's summer school class, better known as the "Summer School Club," are this week's Students of the Week.

New bond issue approves 55 beds

By Leigh Stone
Managing Editor

The Nicholas County Hospital will have the ability to offer approximately 55 new nursing home beds this fall.

Nicholas County Magistrates unanimously agreed at Tuesday's regular meeting to authorize a \$700,000 bond issue for a renovation project.

Approximately 55 nursing home beds were approved, based on the certificate of need the hospital received in 1996, said Johnson Mathers Health Care Administrator Jim Wentz Tuesday night.

Tuesday's vote, the bond issue is structured for renovation of existing space as well as add 36 additional nursing home beds in sections of the hospital in the facility that has since space, medical records and those will be relocated to space available.

JMHC has the architectural drawings complete. It's now in the bid process to identify the bid contractor which will work with the architect firm. "We anticipate the bond issue complete and have the contract to begin renovation by the end of August, first of Sept. 1," Wentz estimated.

"It's something that the original CDN certificate of need application prepared at end of 1991. I think this is

change that's been approved by the board of trustees. I think the community has indicated what they want. We have long wanted, but for our long term beds.

At the court meeting, Wentz told magistrates Juana Smith, Avery, Thorsberry, Danny Hughes, Daryl Stacy and Melvin Fryman and County Judge Executive Chuck Smith. "Your action, your support of this, so we're 1997 bonds which will be tax free could be merged with the 1994 bond issue. We do have a commitment from Whittaker Bank but after accepting the issue, it would still have to be bid," explained Wentz.

The hospital went through a construction project in 1994 with the new nursing home addition. That issue was \$1.5 million.

In a worst case scenario, such as if the hospital were to fail financially, the county would have to pay the remainder of that year's bond issue. Wentz didn't know how much the figure would be. "It's not a large figure, but I don't know exactly and I would be reluctant to say," Assistant Administrator Doris Ecton said at the meeting it could be in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

"Laura Hodges Thomsen, an attorney with Reed Law Office



Special visitor Barbara Kinsglover, right, Carlisle native and worldwide author of popular novels such as Bean Trees, was a special guest at a reception last Friday at the Nicholas County Library.

-In Brief-

Water District
The regular meeting of the Nicholas County Water District has been cancelled. The meeting date has been rescheduled for July 23, 1997 at 6:30 p.m.

Livingdon Reunion
The Annual Livingdon Reunion will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 27 at the Central 4-H Camp in Nicholas County. Lunch is noon and will be potluck.

Earlywine Reunion
The Annual Earlywine Reunion of the late Harley and Lula Kelley Earlywine will be held Sunday, Aug. 10 at the Lower Shelter House at Blue Lick State Park. A pot luck lunch will be at 1 p.m.

Foster Parents
An information meeting for those persons interested in being Foster and Adoptive Parents will be held Tuesday, July 22, 1997 at 6 p.m. at the Agriculture Extension Office, 603 Millersburg Road, Paris. For more information call Marie Halpin at (606) 987-3655.

Courthouse Closed
The Nicholas County Courthouse will be closed Thursday, July 17 through Saturday, July 19 due to renovation under way. The courthouse will re-open at normal business hours on to 4:30 p.m. Monday, July 21.

Correction
Ralph Jay is the name of the manager of General Contracting, Columbia, Ohio. The company is doing the renovation underway at Nicholas County Courthouse. Mr. Jay was incorrectly identified as Roger Jay in the July 16 edition. The Mercury apologizes to Mr. Jay and regrets the error.

Bartonsville Revival
Bartonsville United Methodist Church will be holding a Revival Meeting starting Monday, July 28, 7 p.m. Rev. James Doughton Pastor of Carlisle Methodist Church will be the evangelist.

There will be special music each night. Friday night the Dawley will play and sing and Pastor Rev. Dale Florence.

Students of the Week

Remedial math students in Roxanne Bow's summer school class, better known as the "Summer School Club," are this week's Students of the Week.

Pictured from left are, top row, Andrew Clark, Nolan Fryman, Donald Angle and Dwayne McCall. Next row, T.T. Gum, Barkley Caswell, Jeremy Terrell, Adam Anderson. In front are Michele English, Charlotte Trussell and Erin Snapp.

"This is my fifth year teaching summer school and I like to reward the students. They've worked so hard," said Bow, a math teacher at Nicholas County High School.

Students attended four weeks of class held at the elementary school to hone math skills. Bow held an awards ceremony for students the last day of class, Friday, July 11.

Awards were given for proficiency in math and good citizenship. A reception followed.

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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