NCHS seniors are bound for Hollywood, San Diego

O.J.'s home on tour schedule

By Leigh Stone
Managing Editor

They might even see a movie star.

The annual senior trip for Nicholas County High School seniors is March 31 through April 3 with a trip to Los Angeles and San Diego, California.

The schedule, supplied by adviser/teacher Sue Kirby, was an action packed itinery getting enough to hold special memories for all 40 to 50 seniors.

"I'd like to see somebody, like a movie star so I could tell them I saw somebody on my trip to Hollywood,' said senior Jennifer Caswell.

"I'd like to be a movie star,' quipped senior Aaron Wills.

Senior Sarah Smoot may be the only student who has been to San Diego before. "I don't remember a whole lot because I was so young but I look forward to seeing the zoo."

The California trip beat out votes for Florida and New Orleans.

Seniors leave Carlisle for Louisville Airport at 6 a.m. Monday, March 31, arrive in Atlanta 11:12 and arrive in Los Angeles by 2:35 p.m. Then they board a chartered bus and transfer to Universal Studios where they'll spend the rest of the day. Dinner will be there, too. But by 10:30 that night, seniors will arrive in San Diego.

After breakfast Tuesday, April 1, seniors will board the old Town Trolley for a guided tour of North Island Naval Air Station. Then they'll board a bus and visit Balboa Park. They can choose from several museums before taking a 3 p.m. transfer to the San Diego Zoo. After an exhausting afternoon, they'll dine at Planet Hollywood by 7.

Thursday, April 3, will be a major travel day, with students finally arriving in Louisville at 6:19 p.m.

"They've been saving money and doing fund-raisers for the trip all year. I'm looking forward to it," Kirby said as she headed off to teach another class.

"I want to see O. J.," Kirby kidded. "No, I really want to see San Juan Capastrano," she said explaining the song written about the mission before being told by Brenda Day, "No, I don't remember that song. That was before my time."

At 4 p.m., seniors can board a bus for a guided tour of Hollywood, famous shopping district Rodeo Drive, and Mann's Chinese Theater where there are hand and footprints of past and present celebrities. Dinner's at the Medieval Times.

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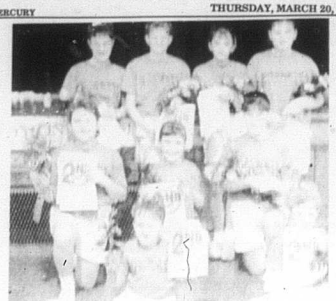
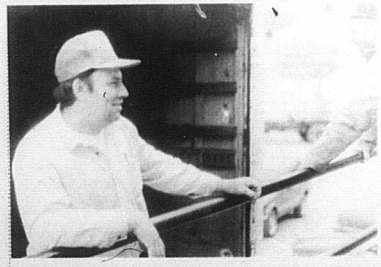


The Hornets of Nicholas County Little League for 1996-97 took second place in Little League cheerleading competition at the high school March 15.

The Suns took third place in the Nicholas County Little League for 1996-97 in cheerleading competition held at the high school last Saturday.

The Bears take first in little league cheerleading competition with their sponsor, Susan Trussell. The girls are in first through sixth grade. They won trophies, ribbons and certificates.



Carlisle Mayor Ronnie Clark, left, helped unload items sent from God's Pantry last Thursday along with city and county employees and Jockey employees at The Old Armory.

Preacher

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Clifford was reared in Morehead along with three brothers and two sisters. When he was 14, doctors wanted to amputate his left leg because of bone cancer. Hutchinson convinced his parents not to allow it to happen and eventually fought off the infection.

Four years later doctors told him he had intestinal cancer and predicted he had less than six months to live. The same Lexington doctors were dumbfounded to see Hutchinson walk through the door a few years later, with the cancerous growth in remission.

The path of the Lord didn't come swift to Clifford, recalls his brother Alpha Hutchinson. In fact, he was sort of a hell-raisin' in his youth; drinking heavily and gambling often.

"He knew our younger brother was a great basketball player, and he would go to the game and kick and trick somebody into a bet," Alpha recalled.

Agree writes in Hutchinson's own words how in October of 1949 he prayed for God's forgiveness and was saved.

After his conversion to Christ, Hutchinson began attending the Clearfield Tabernacle. Soon after, he began testifying and preaching in churches around the area.

"The day he decided to preach the word, it didn't surprise me," Alpha said "It just came so natural to him."

"Anytime he had a revival in those days the place would just fill up. No question he had a calling from the Lord."

Not something that happens everyday, said Agee.

"Here's this guy with no theological training that is just blowing away the valley away, he said. "Teven go out to isolated regions today and meet people who didn't attend the Church of God who knew of him."

"Maybe his style wouldn't work today, he had that back that people tend to make fun of today when referring to southern Evangelists. But talk to preachers today and they would probably wish that they could make the impact that he did."

Hutchinson traveled the Ohio Valley region preaching the word until he set his sites on a small church in Middletown, Ohio, the Grand Avenue Church of God.

Within a few months the congregation grew out of doors.

"He scraped up enough money and a loan to build a $100,000 tabernacle that seated about 12,00. You're talking before the time of mega churches."

In the meantime his sermon went on the airways with a weekly radio program and he developed charity organizations throughout the region.

But life kept throwing cruel curves to the pastor. In 1957 he barely survived a horrific car crash at a railroad crossing. In 1961 physicians gave him a 50-50 chance for surviving major urinary tract surgery. Eventually, his kidneys failed and he required dialysis.

But each time Hutchinson would bounce back to preach the word, said Agee, oftentimes having to be helped to the pulpit by friends.

"I believe it was his belief God wasn't ready for him to call it quits...that God had called upon him. These were times it looked her was beaten by the support form the church and family carried him forward."

In December of 1992, he was delivering poinsettias to shutins when he suffered a heart attack. He died Jan. 2, 1993. Agee said he was preaching up to the weeks before he died.

"It's important to have a book like this" said Alpha Hutchinson.

"Very few people had the faith that boy did. I used to tell him that I didn't have it a he would say, 'you will have it when you need it."

County Attorney Jock Conley explains Kentucky's seat belt law penalties

By Jock Conley

The statistics are alarming. In 1995 alone, nationwide, nearly 42,000 people lost their lives in motor crashes–an increase of 2.7 percent from 1994. That's an average of 115 people each day–one every 13 minutes. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for every age from 5 thru 27 years old.

But even more frightening than the statics is an accident close to home.

"We all are aware of the dangers posed by Kentucky highways and roads," said Nicholas County Attorney Joseph H. Conley. "But the danger never seems real until it affects us personally."

Those accidents, Conley said," often are the reasons people begin driving safer and wearing their seat belts.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration emphasizes that seat belts, combined with airbags, are the most effective protection people have today from injury and death from vehicle accidents.

Conley said,' the recent controversy over air bags has made some unsure of their safety. Recently, air bags have been proven deadly to children and people under five feet three inches tall. The force of a deployed air bag is strong enough to kill a person seated too close to the dashboard.

"What some people don't know, though, is that adults and children are less likely to be injured by an air bag if they're wearing seat belt," Conley said. However, he cautioned that the safest place for children is buckled up in the back seat.

Even though seat belts have been proven life savers, Kentucky was one of the last states to pass a seat belt law–47th out of 48 states that have seat belt laws.

Conley said drivers cannot be pulled over simply for not wearing their seat belts. However they can be cited..."

"It took Kentucky longer than most to pass a 'seat belt law,' Conley said. "There were concerns that such a law would infringe on people's rights."

Several reasons led to passage, including the threat of losing $10 million in federal road construction money. Because seat belt usage lowers the number of serious injuries and fatalities, the law continues to save money in health care and automotive costs. Studies showed that unbelted motorists' injuries were two to five times more costly to treat than those who wear seat belts.

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"If the seat belt usage in Kentucky could be raised from the current 55 percent to 70 percent, we would see an estimated 163 fewer fatalities and a savings of $286 million," Conley said, citing numbers from the Kentucky Transportation Center.

While actual health-care and automotive costs decrease with fewer and less serious accidents, recent information from the Kentucky Department of Insurance revealed that automotive insurance premiums have not decreased as expected since the passage of the seat belt law.

"Overriding factor is safety," Conley said. "It's been proven that seat belt laws increase the number of seat belt users. Kentuckians who wear seat belts decrease their risk of a fatal or incapacitating injury by 63 percent."

Kentucky's seat belt law took effect in 1994.

Conley said drivers cannot be pulled over simply for not wearing their seat belts. However, they can be cited for not wearing a seat belt if they are pulled over for another reason, such as speeding. The fine for not wearing a seat belt is $25.

Kentucky's seat belt law took effect in 1994. Since then, seat belt usage across the state has increased from 42 percent in 1994 to 55 percent in 1996. The county attorney's office is responsible for prosecuting traffic violations in district court.

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The new bridge is sixteen (16) feet wide and sixty-eight (68) feet long. Plans, required insurance information on bid items, etc., can be obtained at the above location, Monday-Friday 8:00 AM- 4:30 PM.
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