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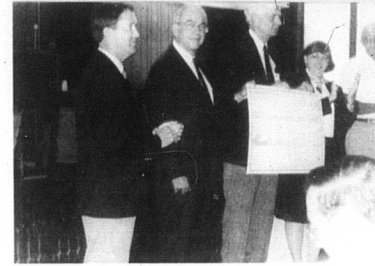
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Governor Paul E. Patton visits the Nicholas County Courthouse

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Governor Paul E. Patton visited the Nicholas County Courthouse on Monday afternoon, July 27.

In honor of his attendance, the Nicholas County High School Championship Band marched through town and performed on the Courthouse lawn as the Governor arrived.

Governor Patton listened to their performance with attention and appreciation, commenting when they were finished that they did a superb job.

He then proceeded toward the Courthouse, shaking hands with guests and greeting the large crowd that had turned out for his appearance.

The crowd made their way behind Governor Patton to the upstairs Courtroom, awaiting his speech and comments.

By Bob Sparks spoke to the large group of people, stating that the Governor was the best thing to happen to the State.

Sparks also stated that Governor Patton was a "people person" and thanks should be given to him for the Blue Lick Lodge and the Mayview Community College Licking Valley Center branch in Cynthiana.

After concluding his high praise of the Official, Sparks introduced the Governor, who spoke of the successes seen in the state recently and future plans being processed at this time.

He stated that one major goal for Kentucky is to preserve family life in the rural areas of the State.

Tobacco was also an issue of discussion, with Patton saying that Senator Ford will be missed.

Safety was an issue discussed by the Governor, who stated, "We're going to try to make Kentucky as safe as we can."

The Governor also gave special recognition to many political candidates and State Representatives who were in attendance, including Ed Miller, Democratic State Senatorial Candidate, Carolyn Holcher, Democratic State Representative Candidate and Jim Lovell, State Representative.

After making a brief presentation of the many ideas and areas of focus for the government at this time, the Governor announced the presentation of a check for \$400,000.

This money was given to new health care facility in Carlisle and Nicholas County to begin construction on the Health Department.

He then proceeded with presenting the Industrial Authority with \$50,000.

The Governor then opened the floor to the public, asking for their questions and comments.

Some of the topics of concern on the public's mind included lumber and the Medicaid program.

A number of people voiced their complaints with the current system established for Medicaid, stating that it is a serious problem in Nicholas County.

The Governor said that although he could make no promises at this time, he would relay their requests and concerns back to Frankfort.

After answering a number of questions and commending Mr. Sparks for his remarkable work and interest in the County, the Governor said his farewells and made his way out of the Courthouse.

Photo By: Amy Rankin
Governor Paul Patton presented a check for \$400,000 to Carlisle and Nicholas County for the purpose of building a new health center during his visit Monday, July 27.



Photo By: Amy Rankin
Governor Paul Patton presented a check for \$50,000 to the Industrial Authority during his visit at the Nicholas County Courthouse Monday, July 27.

-In Brief- Locust Grove Baptist plans August revival

Revival at the Locust Grove Baptist Church Friday and Saturday, August 7th and 8th, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. The Evangelist will be Rev. David Fields will conduct morning service. Pulpit Lunch will be Church, Maylick, KY. Interim Pastor will be Brother Paul Fields and Pianist will be Karen Livingston. Homecoming will be August 9th, 1998 at 11:00 A.M. Brother Paul Fields will conduct morning service. Pulpit Lunch will be at noon. The Daxology will have the service at 1:30 P.M.

Falmouth man arrested for forging dead cousin's identity

David Lee Honaker, 43, of Falmouth, pleaded not guilty on June 11 to charges of forgery and theft.

Honaker allegedly used the name of his deceased cousin to create a bank account at the Farmer's Bank and Trust Co. in Georgetown.

According to police, Honaker deposited six checks into an account under the name of Jim A. Stewart.

Honaker's cousin, James A. Stewart, of Dry Ridge, died from an accidental shooting on January 31 after a 38-caliber pistol discharged in his coat pocket.

Three of the six checks deposited into the questioned account were allegedly stolen by Honaker from rural mail boxes.

Reports state that more than \$7,500 was deposited into the account and \$7,255 was withdrawn by Honaker.

Honaker was arrested on June 6 in Falmouth after Georgetown police were notified by bank officials of the questionable transactions.

Residents win at Bluegrass Games

The Bluegrass Summer Games have wrapped up with amateur athletes from 103 counties in the state carrying home gold, silver and bronze medals.

Those from Nicholas County placing in the events were Ginger Coder, Martial Arts Weapons (Intermediate) 1st place and Kate (Intermediate) 1st place, Ashby McCluffey won 2nd place in the 100 Meter Dash.

Carlisle Assembly of God hosts Kid's Crusade celebration

Groups were organized by their age and given animal names to differentiate between their specific needs.

On the first night of the festivities, students began by registering and receiving name tags with their appropriate animal shape.

Afterwards, they gathered into the Family Life Center at the church to participate in singing a number of "Down on the Farm" songs about Jesus.

After singing the songs, students began learning Hebrew 12:1, which served as the Biblical theme for the entire Crusade.

Students were encouraged to practice and memorize this verse and to be prepared to compete in the Scripture Scramble game to be played later during the Crusade.

After practicing and verbally repeating the scripture, students separated into their classroom to take part in activities such as crafts, story time and games.

A spaghetti dinner was also prepared by some of the ladies of the church for the students.

Saturday's events focused on the farm theme of the Crusade.

Students in attendance were taken on a country hayride through the fields of G.W. and Faye Sexton's farm in Nicholas County, where they learned first hand about animals and patience, the very focus of the Crusade's mission.

This hayride came complete with a cook-out for the children and teachers and a good time was had by everyone.

Organizers of the event stated that a good crowd was in attendance for both days of the Crusade.



Photo By: Amy Rankin
Students in the "Duck" age group make Donkey Sock Puppets during the Kid's Crusade at the Carlisle Assembly of God church, July 24 and 25.

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