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-In Brief- Auxiliary to meet

The JMHC Hospital Auxiliary will meet Tuesday morning, June 9th at the Nicholas County Library at 10:00 AM.

"Decoration Day" set for Rose Hill church

"Decoration Day" at Rose Hill United Methodist Church will be Sunday, June 7. Plans include potluck dinner at the church at 12:00 and singing in the afternoon (beginning shortly after lunch) by the Calvary Echoes from McCre, KY. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

Retired Teachers to meet Monday

The Retired Teachers will meet Monday, June 8th at 2:00 p.m. in the basement of the Nicholas County Library. All retired teachers should attend this meeting.

Cameron Mills to speak in Ewing

Cameron Mills will be speaking at Mt. Pisgah Church, Route 1 (Fayetteville) Ewing, Friday, June 12 at 7:30 p.m. We invite everyone to be a part of this service.

Fund raiser to be held for senior citizens

The Nicholas County Senior Citizens will be having a Fund Raiser. Any donations of money or goods will be appreciated. No appliances needed.

Rose Hill schedules annual picnic supper

Rose Hill United Methodist Church will hold its annual Community Picnic Supper, Saturday, June 13, 1998 at 6:30 P.M. at the church. This is done each year to kick-off Vacation Bible School which will be held nightly June 15-19, 7:00-9:00 P.M. this year.

We want to welcome all to the Rose Hill and surrounding communities to come to the supper this year for some good food and fellowship.

Security deposits increased in May

Public notification from the Nicholas County Water District:

Effective May 7, 1998, the Public Service Commission has approved the security deposits will be \$70.

This applies to all new customers, excluding those who are part of the Phase IV Water Extension Project.

This increase is in accordance with RRS 74.650. For additional information, please call the NCWD office.

Softball tournament to be held in June

A Men's Softball Tournament will be held Saturday June 13, 1998 at the Flemingburg Industrial park. For more information contact Jeff Fryman at 267-2421.



Photo by Amy Rankin

Nicholas County High School Principal Greg Reid addresses the audience and graduating class Sunday evening, May 31, during Commencement Exercises at the school.



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Edward Hatchett, Jr., State Auditor for Kentucky and special guest speaker for the 1998 Graduate Commencement Exercises, shares humorous occasions from his experience in life while addressing the graduating class Sunday evening, May 31.



Photo by Amy Rankin

One graduating senior smiles as he leaves the stage with his diploma Sunday evening, May 31, seeming to be very excited about his accomplishment and his new future.

1998 Graduation Commencement Exercises conducted at Nicholas County High School

By Amy Rankin
Managing Editor

The 1998 graduating class of Nicholas County High School celebrated their success and achievement Sunday evening, May 31, in the high school gymnasium with special Commencement Exercises.

After the graduating seniors had made their way down the aisle, walking to a professional tune performed by the Nicholas County High School Band under the direction of Eric Hale, the audience of friends and family members remained standing for the National Anthem and prayer.

Greg Reid, Principal of Nicholas County High School, delivered an address of well-wishers who had come to join in the celebration.

Reid proceeded to introduce the guest speaker for the evening, Edward Hatchett, Jr., State Auditor for Kentucky.

Hatchett spoke directly to the students, comparing the various "moments" of life and particular events.

He went on to congratulate the graduating class and to say that the typical criticisms of youth are actually assets to commend and look forward to in the future.

Reid returned to the podium after Hatchett's speech to make a brief presentation to the parents of each graduate and to congratulate everyone for the success of their efforts.

After students received their diplomas, a dismissal prayer was delivered and the graduates walked back down the aisle to the tune of "My Old Kentucky Home."

Although a storm raged outside during the ceremony, the school gymnasium was filled with friends and family who had come to watch as each student crossed the threshold into their future.

Jennifer Jean Linville, also a member of the National Honor Society, received the title of Salutatorian.

Other graduating seniors who were members of the National Honor Society include Faith Ann Adamson, Rebecca Ann Brewer, Nicholas Howard Plank, Cleveland Jackson, Hank Amy Leigh Hatfield, Uraha Nicole Mitchell, Brandi Leigh Rogers, Amber Shay Smith, Cassi Nicole Tubbs and Ashley Breck Walker.

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Programs for the Commencement listed a total of 47 graduates. The Sarah Whitney, a member of the National Honor Society, was honored as Valedictorian.



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Graduates, family and friends stand for the National Anthem and prayer during Commencement Exercises at Nicholas County High School on Sunday, May 31.



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Carlisle and Nicholas County see high turn-out in recent Primary Elections held in May

By Amy Rankin
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Tuesday, May 26, was election day in Kentucky.

Voters for the Democratic Primary Election were encouraged to come out and cast their votes for the candidate of their choice.

In Nicholas County, the turn-out was numerous and lines formed behind the voting booths with voters awaiting their turn to poll the lever.

Many citizens of Carlisle and Nicholas County could be found making their way to the voting centers, including various candidates such as Rose Brady, P.V.A.

Doug Fryman, Nicholas County Clerk, gave *The Carlisle Mercury* permission to photograph the groups of people as they prepared to cast their votes.

Paula Earlywine, who was working to organize the voters and direct them to their appropriate booths at the new armory, stated that there had been 137 voters at her booth alone as of 9:20 a.m.

Although many people speculated a low voter participation this year, Nicholas County did not follow those expectations.

The community responded in a positive manner, filling the parking lot and voting booths to help make a difference.