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Citizens show concern over the future of Nicholas County Ambulance Service

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Rhonda Walton spoke at last night's Fiscal Court meeting to discuss concerns over the ambulance bids. The McDonalds have dedicated themselves for almost 15 years, and have provided excellent service. Money should not be the issue, health service should.

Nicholas County Public Library receives grant for new computers

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The Nicholas County Public Library now has two new Gateways.



Kari Jordan photo shows Carrie Watkins, of Cassidy Creek, enjoying playing with Barney on the new computers. Carrie is the seven year old daughter of Leonard and Sandra Watkins.

way computer with lots of software and Internet access for library patrons. The computers were made possible through a \$7,078 grant from the Gates Technology Initiative also is providing technical assistance and training through the Gates Center Technology Access and Microsoft Corporation has donated the equivalent dollar amount in software.

Extension Office budget for 2000 same as last year

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The county currently provides almost 22 percent of the Extension Service program.

The board voted to increase the Nicholas County Extension Office budget by \$5,500. Mike Phillips, Agriculture Agent addressed members of the board concerning the 2000 budget. Earlier this year the board approved the Extension Office for a budget of \$2,550. This amount was \$2,500 less than 1999. "Costs are increasing not decreasing" and Phillips informed the magistrates that because of property assessment in Nicholas County that the Extension Service was moved to a higher income bracket. The cost of a third agent increased from \$12,000 to \$15,000. The agents themselves are the magistrates have any control over the salary guidelines. These are mandated from the University of Kentucky who also helps subsidize the program.

KSP arrest three over the weekend

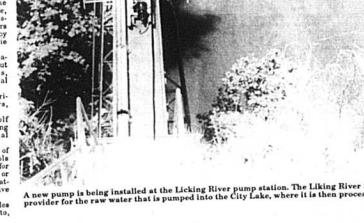
On June 2, at 11:45 p.m., Trooper Best Kirkland arrested David B. Sapp, 26, of Carlisle for failure to pay child support. On June 3, at 1:48 p.m., Trooper Best Kirkland arrested Amanda Beatty, 26, of Carlisle for an outstanding warrant. On June 4, at 9:10 p.m., Trooper Clinton Graves arrested Dwight T. Gillmore, 23, of Carlisle, for Alcohol Intoxication.

Water situation isn't looking any better

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The Nicholas County Water District and The City of Carlisle water users are still in moderate drought conditions, and the rest of the state of Kentucky is not far behind.

Despite recent sporadic rainfall, the amount of rain actually received did little more than turn lawns green. The state did not receive enough rainfall to replenish normal stream flow and fill reservoirs. Present conditions are more typical of September and October, which are the state's driest months.



A new pump is being installed at the Licking River pump station. The Licking River is the provider for the raw water that is pumped into the City Lake, where it is then processed.

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