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**- BRIEFS -**

**Healthy Seniors to discuss travel opportunities**  
The Healthy Seniors program sponsored by Johnson Maters Health Care, Inc. will meet on Thursday, September 30th, at 7 p.m., to learn about travel opportunities for seniors. There is no admission charge and the public is welcome to attend.  
Call Cassinda Bechman or Josh Shepherd at 289-7181 for more information.

**Miller to hold office hours**  
Sen. Ed Miller will be available to meet with constituents at 1 p.m. on Oct. 1, in the fiscal court room at the Nicholas County Courthouse in Carlisle. Constituents can reach Miller at his office by calling toll free at 1-800-372-1181 or at his home number 606-234-3753.

**Nicholas County Democratic Fish Fry**  
The Nicholas County Democratic Executive Committee and the Democratic Women's Club will sponsor a free Fish Fry, Saturday, Oct. 2, at 5 p.m., at the National Guard Armory.

**Nicholas County Conservation District Board to meet**  
The Nicholas County Conservation District Board of Supervisors will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 6, at 7:10 p.m., at the Old Army in Carlisle.

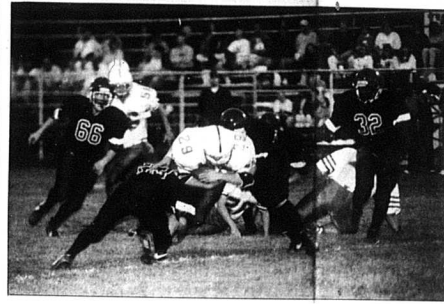
**JMHC Ladies Auxiliary Rummage Sale**  
The JMHC Auxiliary will hold a rummage sale on Saturday, Oct. 9, starting at 7 a.m. Community donations will be accepted Monday, Wednesday, Oct. 4 - 6, from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the National Guard Armory.  
For more information contact Cassinda Bechman at 289-7181.

**A mile of festival**  
**The Kentucky Wool Festival to be held on October 1-3**

Mark your calendars! It's time for the 17th annual Kentucky Wool Festival on Oct. 1, 2 and 3 in Pendleton County. Join the thousands of visitors that travel hundreds of miles to enjoy the arts, crafts, heritage demonstrations, food and live tapping music that attracts over 30,000 visitors to the festival each year.  
The festival is spread over several acres with Kincaid Creek meandering along the grounds. In the middle of the festival is the old Kirtwell log cabin, which is now a gift shop. To the right of the cabin is an old wooden well from the area and in front stands a large windmill.  
This beautiful and serene part of Pendleton County offers the perfect backdrop for a variety of continuous early heritage demonstrations such as blacksmithing, sheep shearing, corn grinding, broom making, basket making, quilting, muzzle loading, candle making, sorghum making, weaving and spinning. All demonstrations can be seen throughout the three day event.  
There is an array of appealing foods, drinks and desserts from over 23 booths to choose from.  
Two stages provide continuous live entertainment filled with bluegrass, gospel and country music for visitors.  
Over 150 artisans have booths displaying their beautiful hand-made crafts. Children's activities include pony rides, face painting and animal displays.  
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Parking is free. Admission is \$4, children under six years of age will be admitted free. Three day passes are available for a savings.  
Festival hours are Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. For more information or brochures call 606-654-FEST (3378). Visit their web site at www.woolfest.com.  
Ewe can get there from anywhere. From Cincinnati follow U.S. 27 south to Falmouth. From Lexington follow U.S. 27 north to Falmouth. From low Kincaid Lake State Park signs to grounds. From Mayville take Kentucky 9 (AA) to New Hope Road, turn left onto Hughes 10 to Highway 159 right for 11 miles to grounds. Watch for signs from all directions.



Weston Smooth (29) wraps his arms around the football as two Fairview tacklers combine to bring him down after a good gain. The Bluejackets scored first and often in their first district victory.

**Tobacco settlement forms must be completed by Oct. 8**

The application for the recently signed National Tobacco Growers Settlement Trust has begun. Application forms and instructions have been mailed to over 124,000 farm operators beginning Sept. 17 and must be returned post-marked no later than Oct. 8. Applications are identified by the USDA Farm Service Agency, Farm Serial Number designated for each farm. Farm operators must include on their application the appropriate information for everyone involved in tobacco production on their farm. This information should be submitted for only those individuals or entities who share the risks of production which is defined as one who makes financial gain only if a tobacco crop is marketed. Eligible parties certainly include tenant farmers and we need your help in making sure this population is aware of and included in the application process.

**Gas prices up, according to latest AAA travel survey**

Gasoline prices are now at their highest point since September of 1997, increasing another 2.7 cents per gallon in the last month, according to a survey by AAA.  
AAA's monthly Fuel Gauge Report shows self-serve unleaded regular gas to be selling for \$1.282 per gallon nationwide, only slightly less expensive than the average price of \$1.288 reached in September 1997. The price is 22 cents higher than in September a year ago when the average was \$1.057.  
Nationally, gas prices have increased each of the past seven months since February when the average fuel price was relatively low 96 cents per gallon.  
In Kentucky, the average price for a gallon of unleaded regular is \$1.21, up two cents from August. This month, Kentucky has the nation's 14th cheapest gas prices. Once again, Georgia leads the

**Bluejackets defeat Fairview in first district game of the year**  
**Nicholas County now 5-0**

The district opener Friday, September 24, for Nicholas County was no contest. The Bluejackets scored at almost every attempt in a 51-13 victory over Fairview.  
Senior running back Weston Smooth, who had a total of three touchdowns for the night scored his first six points on a 10 yard run completion pass from senior Josh Fryman.  
Senior Dustin Hill intercepted the ball on Nicholas County's 23 yard line and ran in for the touchdown. Hill's moment of fame continued as he scored on the two-point conversion.  
Fairview had a good run on the play as they passed the Bluejackets defense to run 62 yards into the end zone. Fairview would not be that fortunate again. The Bluejackets would hold Fairview to just 13 points for the rest of the evening.  
Ryan Hunter, junior, made the fourth touchdown of the night of a 23 yard run. Josh Fryman completed extra point, bringing the score to 29-13.  
Weston Smooth had to have his final moment of fame as he scored

**Shooting injures Nicholas County man**

The Kentucky State Police are currently investigating a shooting incident that occurred sometime around 2:55 p.m., on Monday, September 27, in Nicholas County.  
The victim, Randy W. Kruec, 22, sustained a single gunshot wound to the head. The incident occurred at the victims residence on Mayville Rd., Carlisle.

**Patton to speak at Blue Lick State Park ceremony**

Governor Paul Patton is scheduled to be the featured speaker in dedication ceremonies for the new lodge at the Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort. Park in Robertson County. The event is slated for 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 7, 1999.  
The lodge is developed in stages. A 16 room complex opened in May and a second addition with the same number of guest rooms will be completed by year's end. Blue Licks becomes the 17th resort in the Kentucky State Park System.



A wildfire on Beaver Creek Farm outside Carlisle, destroyed about 3 acres of land. The fire which lasted about 10 hours was managed by the Nicholas County Fire Department and the Kentucky Division of Forestry.

**Electric line causes wild fire on Beaver Creek Farm**

On Friday night the Nicholas County Fire Department answered a call to a wild fire that was about six miles from Carlisle on Calcutta Rd. near the Beaver Creek Farm.  
The fire department gained entry on Headquarters Rd.  
According to Nicholas County Fire Department Chief Mark Hughes, the fire lasted about 10 hours and the Kentucky Division of Forestry out of Morehead was dispatched to assist in the fire.  
Within twenty minutes a division of forestry helicopter equipped with water flew over and doused the fire.  
The division of forestry controlled the fire by bull dozing the area surrounding the fire, to keep the fire from spreading. The forestry division was back Saturday morning to do a mop up of the area.  
Around sixteen men from the Nicholas County Fire Department helped control the fire.

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