Calendar

Conservation District meeting

The Nicholas County Conservation District Board of Supervisors will meet Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at the old armory in Carlisle.

Bourbon Co. High School Alumni picnic to be held

The Bourbon County High School Alumni Association invites all graduates to an old fashioned picnic on Saturday, June 10, 2000 at 5:00 p.m., on the high school campus. Meat will be provided. Bring a covered dish and a lawn chair and come out for a fun, friendly, relaxed evening. A charge of $3 will be for the meat. Hope to see you June 10th. To make a reservation call Rita Williams at 987-2185, Mike Williams at 293-6713 or Ramona Hurst at 987-4672 or mail to BCHS, 3343 Lexington Road, Paris, KY 40361.

City Council monthly meeting

The Carlisle City Council will have its regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 12, at 7:00 p.m., at the city building.

Fiscal Court monthly meeting

The Nicholas County Fiscal Court will have its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, June 13, at 4:00 p.m., at the Nicholas County Courthouse.

Board of Education to meet

The Nicholas County Board of Education will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 19, at 7:00 p.m., at the Board offices.

Sen. Miller is coming to town

Sen. Ed Miller, D-Dicynthiana, will hold another of his regular town meeting in Nicholas County on Friday, June 16. All citizens are invited to the meeting, which starts at 1:00 p.m., in the county judge's office at the Nicholas County Courthouse in Carlisle.

The meeting will give Miller an opportunity to discuss his work in the General Assembly's 2000 legislative session, which ended on April 14, as well as the issues lawmakers will likely deal with in the future.

"There's really no set agenda for this meeting, other than to talk about what's on people's minds," said Miller. "Anyone with a comment, question, or an interest in the well being of Kentucky is encouraged to attend."

Miller represents Kentucky's 30th Senate District in Bourbon, Bracken, Harrison, Nicholas, Scott and Woodford counties.

He can be reached at 606-234-5751 (Home) or 502-564-8100 ext.710 (Frankfort Office).

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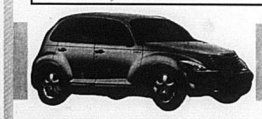

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Larry Eugene Blanton

Larry Eugene Blanton, 48, of 34 Wainscott Avenue, Winchester, husband of Kathy Allison Blanton, died on Saturday at the Samaritan Hospital in Lexington.

A native of Danville, Virginia, he was a son of Paul E. and Virginia Rankin Blanton. He was a self-employed pest control operator, a Kentucky Colonel and a member of the Boonesboro Boat Club.

Additional survivors include three sons and two daughters-in-law, Charlie and Nikki Blanton, Clark Co., Jason and Angie Blanton, Powell Co., and Brandon Wells, Mt. Sterling; a grandson, Jacob Blanton, Powell Co.; a brother, Robert G. Blanton, Winchester; a sister, Paula Fuson, Winchester; several nieces and nephews.

Services were conducted at the Scobee Funeral Home in Winchester by Rev. Eugene Hampton with burial in the Winchester Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Johnny Perry, Jack Hall, Robert Carmichael, Arthur Shrout, Earl Allen-Pasley, Jimmy Taulbee, Richard Lansaw, and Fred Cress.

Honorary bearers were James Pasley, Terry White, Stanley Stevens, Bruce Adkins, Alvin Johnson, William Damron, Sherman Charles, Elza Ballard, Frank Doyle, Charlie Gibson, Charles Estes and Robert Allen Johnson.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to a favorite charity.

Alice Maxine McCarty Smoot

Alice Maxine McCarty Smoot, 76, of 253 E. Main Street, Carlisle, widow of Kenneth Smoot, died on Wednesday, May 31, 2000 at Bourbon Community Hospital.

She was born in Bath County to the late Sherman and Ethel Sorrell McCarty and was retired from the Nicholas County Hospital as a physical therapist aide.

Survivors include two sons-Joseph Henning, Akron, OH and Kenneth David (Deanna) Smoot, Carlisle; five sisters-Josephine Westfall, Carlisle, Sophie Miller, Anderson, IN, Opal Kelley, Carlisle, Wanda Martin, Carlisle, and Wilma Donovon, Paris; one grandchild-William David Smoot and a special friend, Ralph Sorrell.

Services were held on Friday, June 2, 2000 at the Carlisle Cemetery Chapel by Rev. James Gaunce.

Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home weas in charge of the arrangements.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of the Bluegrass.

Casketbearers were Charles Ring, Billy Davis, Mark Hughes, Jamie Davis, Lyle Anderson and Dickie Grimes.

Charles Allen Sparks

Charles Allen Sparks, 74, widower of Freda Purcell Sparks, died on Monday, June 5, 2000 at his residence.

He was born in Kenton County to the late Charles W. and Anna Laura Thompson SParks, was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II, a Purple Heart recipient, a retired farmer and grocery store owner, a member of the Disabled American Veterans and a member of the Carlisle First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Allen Ray (Vicki) Sparks, Carlisle; a daughter, Laura June Sparks, Delray Beach, Florida; a sister, Constance Moxley, Houston, Texas; a cousin, Bill (Ione) Donahue, Paris.

He was also preceded in death by a granddaughter, Audra Hope Sparks.

Services were held on Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. Kevin Thomas with burial in the Carlisle Cemetery.

Casketbearers were Bobby and Stephen Cobb, Jimmy Hamilton, Mike Purcell, John Metcalfe, and Joe Smart.

Contributions are suggested to the Carlisle First Baptist Church.

Christian Women's Club luncheon to be held

The Bourbon County Christian Women's Club invites all ladies in Bourbon and surrounding areas to attend "A Dream Come True". It will be held at the Bourbon County Park in the activity Building. It will be on Wednesday, June 14, 2000 at 11:30 a.m.

Our special feature will be "Dreamy Prom Fashion". This month we will be having several local girls showing us their spectacular prom fashions. Come join us and get some ideas for future prom fashions. Come join us and get some ideas for future prom fashion or perhaps bridesmaid attire. As always there will be a wonderfully catered meal and lots of fun.

Music will be "Day Dreamy" featuring the lovely, young voice of Connie Linville, from right here in Paris, Kentucky. Connie is a high school junior, soon to be senior, from Bourbon County. She sings at many local functions. She also occasionally travels and sings with a small group of young teens.

"Dream a Dream" is the title for our June speaker. She is Ellen Lemke from Maumee, Ohio. She will be relating some of her life long dreams.

There will be a free nursery provided for preschool age children. Please bring a sack lunch for the children.

For all reservations please call Lucille Derickson at 987-2201, Carol Perkins at 987-0360 or Martha Shelley at 988-9972.

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Spiritual Warfare

If you are a Christian and I say again, if you are, when you gave your life to Jesus Christ you joined a war already in progress. As a citizen in the kingdom of God, you are at war with the devil. But most of us professing Christians still believe and live in the natural state. And never realize that our lives are constantly engaged by evil. I think at this point it is very important that we go straight to the Bible and look at the scripture found in 2 Corinthians 4:4 "In whom the God of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." The God of this world refers to Satan who holds power over and controls much of the activity of this present age. Those of us who do not submit themselves to Jesus Christ, strictly remain under the power of Satan.

Suddenly the enemy camps out on our doorstep, his parcel could be the flu and could have been delivered to every doorstep in the community. Knowing that Jesus died for your sickness and disease, in His name you can slam the door in the enemy's face or you can choose to do nothing and effectively receive it. This is a small token of what I am talking about. The authority we assert over the enemy depends upon the victory Jesus won over Satan. No Christian defeats the devil on his or her own. We merely appropriate and administer the victory Jesus won. Even is we pray for a person and a demon comes out, it's not me, it is Jesus in me. We merely appropriate and administer the victory Jesus won. "Christ in you, the hope of glory," (Col. 1:27) we are merely enforcing the victory over the power of the enemy.

Although Jesus triumphed over Satan, He expects God's people to enforce the victory. After Jesus rose from the grave, He had this to say to his disciples: "All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of age." It's our decision whether or not to exercise the authority Jesus obtained over Satan. Jesus' authority doesn't do us any good unless we appropriate it.

In spiritual warfare, you have to be aggressive in praise, aggressive in prayer, aggressive in proclaiming the word of God. Without an aggressive counterattack, the devil ain't gonna get you nothing but killed in the kingdom of God.

You might think you're the toughest character since Rambo, taking on the powers of Hell, but unless you have the right weapon you will be defeated. Paul writes, "for though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh (2 Cor. 10:3). They're not fleshly, natural weapons that can be held or touched. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God nd bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ". (2 Cor. 10:4-5).

We have a tremendous assignment before use. Paul writes, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Eph. 6:12). Most Christians stop at the phrase, for we wrestle not. They say to themselves "We ain't gonna wrestle". When you refuse to wrestle, you settle for whatever life or the enemy hands you.

Praying in the Spirit is one of our strongest weapons, stronger than any bomb ever designed, one prayer armed with the power of God can defeat a nation, heal a loved one, change the course of history, save that child that mother or dad has been praying for long for or even heal someone in a distant land.

Put on your gospel armor and continue to take back what belongs to us that the devil stole. (Mat. 11:12) "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

Our daily walk with Christ must be spiritual in all aspects of our life to be victorious against the trials and tribulations that the evils of Satan brings into our life, be prepared, be ready and be willing to do your part to overcome the power of Satan and know with all our heart "If God be for us, who can be against us".

spotlight on health

Putting Up A Good Fight Against The Flu

(NAPS)—Compared to last year, cold and flu illness levels for this season are already well ahead of schedule. In fact, cumulative levels of illness are already more than 20 percent ahead of last season, which means that the peak of flu season will most likely be earlier than it was last year (the last week of February).

In addition, as of the end of October 23, cities have already reached Pre-Alert Status, indicating a strong start to the cold and flu season in those areas.

At greatest risk for the flu are people 65 years or older, and individuals of any age with chronic health conditions. Plus, when you have the flu, your body's ability to fight off other infections is lowered and more serious complications can occur.

Once you're hit by the fever, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, headaches, fatigue and muscle aches, all you can do is try to alleviate the symptoms and help your immune system fight it off.

A homeopathic medicine that is the number one flu remedy in France may play an important role in self-care treatment here in the U.S. Individuals are discovering that their flu symptoms may be halted by a low-cost, over-the-counter natural medicine called Oscillococcinum (Oscillo for short).

Sick of being sick? A natural medicine may help get rid of the flu quickly.

In clinical studies, the homeopathic medicine has been reported to be beneficial in reducing both the symptoms and duration of the flu without causing any side effects.

Medical experts recommend that high risk patients, such as the elderly, consult their physician before self-medicating. If flu symptoms last more than a week, the patient should see a doctor.

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