

LIFESTYLE

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Skyrocketing Gas Prices Highlight Need to Use American Resources



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4th District Congressman

In Kentucky, gas prices are creeping dangerously close to \$4 a gallon while the price of gasoline reaches a new high, the cost of filling up the gas tank takes a bigger bite out of our family budgets. We are in the midst of a national energy crisis and one thing is clear: the Democratic Majority in Congress has failed to offer a solution that will lower the price at the pump. We must work towards a national energy strategy that relies on

diesel fuel for school buses. Police, fire and EMS budgets are also being squeezed due to increasing gas prices.

This is not the first time an energy crisis has threatened Americans. In 1973, the cost of energy spiked when the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) stopped shipping oil to the U.S. In response, President Nixon unveiled Project Independence, a plan to achieve energy self-sufficiency in the U.S. by 1980. The OPEC embargo ended after eight months, prices returned to normal and unfortunately, Project Independence was

abandoned. Demand for gasoline in the U.S. has increased approximately 30% since the OPEC embargo, but our domestic production continues to decline. Despite promises of a "commonsense plan" to lower gas prices, the Democrats have failed to act on the number one issue affecting Kentuckians' pocketbooks since taking over the Majority in Congress. Our country must invest in alternative energy sources in order to reduce our energy dependence and lower fuel costs. It is time Congress works in a bipartisan manner to create a balanced energy solution that promotes conservation

efforts and increases energy production on our own soil. Speaker Nancy Pelosi has rejected commonsense solutions that increase production in America and use our own resources. The Law of supply and demand is a staple of economics. It is commonsense that when we increase domestic supply, gas prices will fall. I have voted for and supported a number of proposals that would do just that. For example, the No More Excuses Energy Act (H.R. 3089) would encourage new refinery construction, allow for environmentally responsible exploration of the Arctic National Wildlife Ref-

uge (ANWR) and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), and provide tax incentives to encourage the construction of new nuclear power plants. These proposals have been shut out of the energy discussion by the Democratic Leadership. While Speaker Pelosi has spent the last two years telling us that the Democrats need to lay out their commonsense proposal, gas prices have increased by \$1.42 a gallon. Enough is enough; Speaker Pelosi needs to lay out her commonsense plan to the American people immediately. We literally cannot afford to wait any longer.



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17, Morgan County with 12 and Elliott County with five. Junior Cody Smith headlined the Nicholas County sprinters. He took fourth in the 100m dash in 12.46 and again in the 200m dash in 28.20.

Both squads also fared well in the field events. In addition to Hunter's points in the shot put and discus, sophomore Lauren Harrison also scored in both events. She placed fourth in the discus with a throw of 59'07" and sixth in the shot put with a mark of 22'01.50'.

Eighth-grader Caleb Pope helped the boys by placing fifth in the long jump (17'01.50'), while junior Steven Tolson took fifth in the shot put (37'01). Juniors David Miles in the discus (86'04') and Cade Gilliland in the high jump (5'00") also scored for the Bluejackets by earning a pair of sixth-place finishes.

Eighth-grader Robyn Cochorn rounded out the girls' scoring by taking sixth in the 300-meter hurdles in 1:05.56.

Letcher was impressed by some of the individual performances from the members of his team. "Caleb Pope had a good long jump and Mardi McClain and Laken Howard did real well in the long jump and triple jump. Our relay teams all finished pretty good. Cody Smith took fourth in the 200m and 100-meter dashes. My hat's off to them for coming up here and doing the best that they could."

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25 years ago
May 13, 1983

Betty Barton was elected on a secret ballot Monday night to fill the vacancy created by the recent death of Councilman Clifton Waugh. Mrs. Barton was sworn in by Mayor Frankie Hughes. Eight residents in four precincts in Nicholas County, in which a liquor election was held on April 16, have filed suit in Nicholas County Circuit Court to have the elections set aside on the grounds that they were illegally held.

"E.T. the extraterrestrial" is now showing at Judy Drive In at Mt. Sterling. Winners of the 4-H style

revenue held on Friday April 22 at the elementary school were: Robyn Brokshire, Amy Simon, Helen Winkie, Melody McElroy, Tonia Gray, Michelle Maze and Julie Willis.

Ground chuck is only \$1.50 a pound at Crockett and Glance Foodtown. South Central Bell announced it will seek another rate increase that if granted, would result in a possible doubling of existing rates. The request for the increase will come in late June, according to company officials, and is necessary because "South Central Bell will split away from American Telephone and Telegraph next Jan. 1."

50 years ago
May 8, 1958

Miss Lynda Stelling, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Stelling, a sophomore at Carlisle High School, was named Miss Nicholas County Tuesday night. The Little League planning meeting opens tonight at 8 p.m. at the courthouse. All parents and adults of Nicholas County who are interested in Little League baseball for boys ages 8 thru 12 are urged to be present. The date Saturday the 24th at the Nicholas County Courthouse, 39, principal of Nicholas

County High School, left residents of this city and county grief-stricken at the loss of the popular, deeply religious educator, Sunday school teacher, and member of the Carlisle Baptist Church. He was a veteran of World War II and took over his duties at the high school three years ago. He quickly became an enthusiastic supporter of the church and community until he was stricken with cancer several months ago. "Giant" starring Rock Hudson, Elizabeth Taylor, James Dean and Sal Mineo, is now playing at Cynthiana.

75 years ago
May 11, 1933

The wool market is showing steady advances with wool now bringing 18 cents per pound; this is an increase of five cents per pound in one week. The overall price for wool is eight cents per pound higher than last year.

Members of the Lions Club will help rid the town of rats have launched a campaign. Mayor H. K. Veach urges all citizens to join in the fight.

Billy Howard, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howard was killed Thursday afternoon when he was struck by a southbound train. The boy is said to have been playing near the tracks and when the train was stopped he attempted to crawl beneath it to reach the other side of the tracks when the train suddenly began moving again.

Enjoy big savings at Kroger's 51st Birthday Jubilee. Bologna sausage is only 25 cents for two pounds. Pure pork steak is only 10 cents per pound and sugar is \$1.17 for a 25-pound sack.

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