

Patriots 6th & 8th Grade Teams Win 56th District Titles

It was Estill playing Powell in all three championship games of the 2013-14 Middle School 56th Tournament, with ECMS taking two out of three and Powell winning in the 7th grade.

The ECMS 6th grade advanced to the championship by virtue of a forfeit by Lee County, which didn't have a

6th grade team this year.

Estill went on to defeat Powell 55-31 in the finals. Joe Benton led all scorers with 13 points and was named MVP of the 6th grade tournament.

The Patriots' 7th grade defeated Lee County in the first round by a score of 43-15. Estill was led in scor-

ing by Cobbe Click, Logan Napier, and Matt Rowland, each with 8 points.

In the championship, Powell would defeat Estill by a score of 47-28. Conner Chaney would lead Estill scorers with 10 points. DaShawn Williams and Nate Skidmore would lead Powell with 12 points each,

and Williams would be named 7th grade tournament MVP.

In the 8th grade tournament, Estill opened play by defeating Lee County by a score of 55-38.

Caleb Bonny would lead all scorers with 27 points. Kevin Richardson and Will Burkhart also added 8 points

each with Burkhart pulling down 23 rebounds.

In the 8th championship game, Estill would defeat Powell in a close contest; the Patriots would eventually pull away in the second half and win by a score of 47-35.

Caleb Bonny would lead all Estill scorers with 12

points and be named 8th grade MVP.

The 8th grade also got a big win Thursday night as they opened conference play at Rockcastle County. The Patriots won by a score of 52-41 with Bonny scoring 29 points and Kevin Richardson adding 12.

Congratulations, Estill!

Powell Named National FFA Award Winner

Daniella Renae Powell, 19, of the Estill County FFA Chapter, in Kentucky was named the National winner of the Diversified Horticulture - Entrepreneurship/Placement Proficiency award program at the 86th National FFA Convention, October 30-November 2, 2013, in Louisville Kentucky.

Proficiency awards recognize FFA members who

excelled as agricultural entrepreneurs, and employees or volunteers while they gain hands-on career experience. Diversified Horticulture - Entrepreneurship/Placement is one of the 49 FFA proficiency award categories offered at local, state and national levels.

Daniella Renae Powell of the Estill County FFA

chapter in Irvine, Kentucky, was a student worker at her school greenhouse and is a seasonal worker at Ravenna Florist and Greenhouse. When she began her jobs, she was given the simple task of watering and fertilizing. As she developed more knowledge from her horticulture classes, she was given more responsibilities and the opportunity to also

develop sales and service skills. A 2012 graduate of Estill County High School, Daniella retained her FFA membership to further her Supervised Ag Experience Program and will be applying for the prestigious American FFA Degree this year. Powell is supported by her parents Joyce and Shelton and her FFA advisor Lynn Miller.

In recognition of being a finalist, each finalist received a plaque and \$500. As National winner of the Diversified Horticulture - Entrepreneurship/Placement award, Daniella received an additional \$500 during a special ceremony at the National Convention.

The National FFA Organization provides leadership, personal growth and career success training through agricultural education to 579,678 student members in grades seven through 12 who belong to one of 7,570 local FFA chapters throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Joe Benton Scores 1,000th Point For The Estill Patriots



Joe Benton

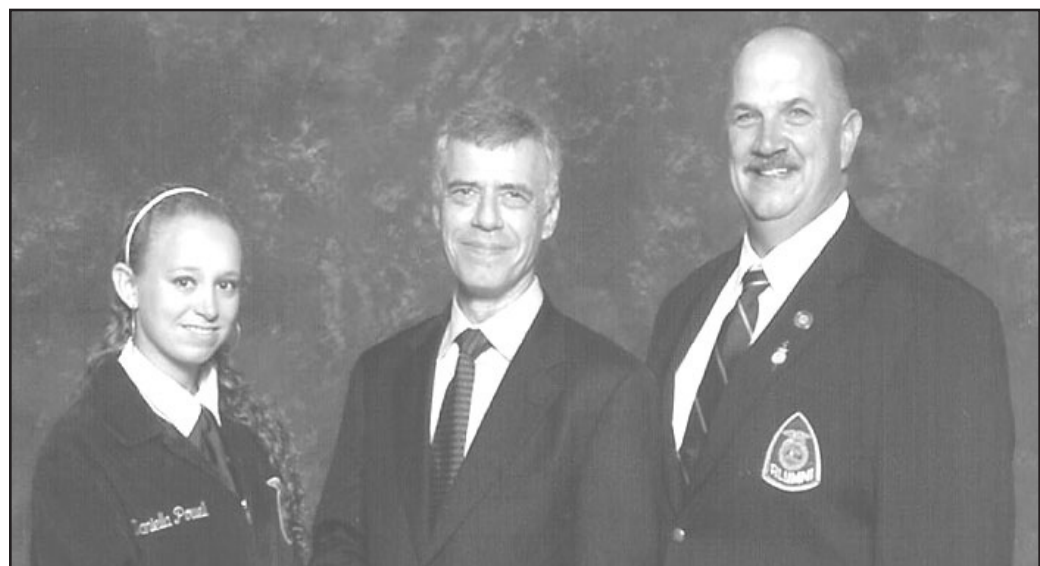
In only his second season in a Estill County Middle School uniform, on Thursday night, playing at Rockcastle County, Joe Benton scored his 1000th point for the ECMS Patriots.

Joe played for all three teams last year as a fifth grader leading the sixth grade in scoring and was a solid contributor on both the 7th and 8th grade teams during the 2012-13 season. Joe is having another great

season leading the sixth grade and is also a starting guard on the eighth grade team.

"Joe Benton makes every player on the floor better," remarked Coach Jimmy Bonny, "Joe's remarkable court vision coupled with superb ball handling and quickness really helps to make our team perform at a higher level."

Joe is the son of Rick and Chastity Benton.



Daniella Renae Powell, of the Estill County FFA Chapter, received her award from Mr. Jim Lassen, Agribusiness HR Manager, Wilbur-Ellis Company. At right is Mr. Bob Barton, National FFA Alumni—Past President, representing The Toro Company.

Change The World -- One Person At A Time!

Several years ago my wife and I were traveling through Colorado when we stopped near the Utah state line for a bite of lunch. We had gotten our meal and sat down when a man came along and sat down at an open booth. He was wearing a green military jacket and looked as if he hadn't eaten or bathed for some time. He sat in the furthest booth away from everyone else. We had just about finished our meal when he got up and left the building. My wife mentioned how we should buy his lunch because he looked as if he needed it. She got up and went across the parking lot and stopped him. She asked him if he wanted something to eat. He said no, he was alright and thanked her. He continued across the lot. He

wasn't holding any signs saying he was needy, would work for food or a homeless vet in need but he just looked like he could use a meal. It was obvious that he was out on his own and did not have a vehicle. She came back to the booth and a few minutes later the man returned to the restaurant. He approached us and asked if the offer for a meal was still good. He had thought about it and the offer for a meal sounded nice. I went to the counter and purchased his lunch.

The young lady taking my order had already waited on us earlier and must have seen the encounter with the man. She asked if we were getting his meal. I told her that we sometimes bought meals for people because we could and sometimes they just look like

they need it. She went on to say this man was a local and that he would often come inside to get out of the weather. She said he rarely purchased a meal or asked anyone for anything. She inquired where we were from and we told her Kentucky and that we were traveling across country. She went on to say this was the nicest thing she had seen in some time.

Over the years we've taken my parents and my wife's parents out for a meal. They offer to pay but we insist that we pay and I'd make a comment that their money was no good in that restaurant. I think about all the meals each of our parents made or bought for us. I hear the stories of how my wife's mother would make big picnic lunches back in the

60's when they would go to baseball tournaments for her brothers. Many of the boys would eat with them. Some of their parents weren't at the game and sometimes hadn't even sent money or food with them for meals.

A few months ago in North Carolina, I was in a drive through on my way home after a business meeting, when an older car pulled in behind me. It was smoking and looked as if it were nearly on its last leg. So when I pulled to the window, I told them to add the total for that driver onto my bill. The cashier looked at me so strangely. I told her that I was helping someone out that looked as if they might need it. I told her to tell the lady behind me that she could pay it forward to someone else some day when she could.

This past Sunday I had gone to get a quick breakfast for my wife and me. When I pulled to the window after placing my order, the cashier, with a big smile on her face said the man in front of me had paid for my meals. She said he just felt he needed to do so. I never met the man before and didn't see him afterward. It felt funny that someone had gone out of their way to buy our food. But it kind of gives you that warm and fuzzy feeling.

The whole purpose to all of this is that maybe something we'd done or do might makes a difference in somebody's life. Maybe someone has done something for you that you've not thanked them for. If they're no longer here, do something for someone else. Change begins with one person, sometimes the giver sometimes the receiver. Take time this upcoming holiday season to make change in someone. Get outside your box or comfort zone to do something for someone else. Assist the widow down the road with her yard work. Take someone that doesn't have transportation to the store. Buy or make someone a meal. Thank someone, make someone else's day. Change the world one person at a time.

Anonymous Submitted

Estill Middle School Patriots 2013-14 Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Mon., Dec. 2	Jackson County	Home	5:30
Tues., Dec. 3	Caudill	Home	5:30
Thur., Dec 5	Foley	Away	5:30
Tues., Dec. 10	Berea	Home	5:00
Thur., Dec. 12	McNabb	Home	5:30
Mon., Dec. 16	Wolfe County	Away	5:30
Tues., Dec. 17	Madison Middle	Home	5:30
Thur., Dec. 19	Farristown	Away	5:30
Mon., Jan 6	Morgan County	Away	6:00
Tues., Jan. 7	Model	Away	6:00
Thur., Jan. 9	Rockcastle	Home	5:30
Tues., Jan. 14	Clark-Moores	Home	5:30
Thur., Jan. 16	Caudill	Away	5:30
Tues., Jan. 21	Foley	Home	5:30
Thur., Jan. 23	Berea	Away	5:30
Mon., Jan. 27	Model	Home	5:30
Thur., Jan. 30	Madison Middle	Away	5:30
Tues., Feb. 4	Farristown	Home	5:30
Thur., Feb. 6	Conf. Make Up		
Feb. 7-15	Conference Tournament		

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 THESSALONIANS 5: 16-18

Detail of "St. Jerome in Prayer" by Rembrandt, 1632

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