

# Estill Middle "Sweeps" Farristown On 'White Out' Night

Playing in front of a near capacity crowd and a special appearance by the Estill County High School pep band provided the support to push the Patriots to three victories last Tuesday night.

Despite being out for snow many students turned out, clad in white, to support their Patriots.

"This is one of our biggest nights of the year, we love having the band and seeing all the support is a tremendous boost for all our players and coaches," remarked Coach James Bonny.

The eighth grade, continuing their fast break style, jumped out to a big early lead and withstood a run or

two by Farristown to win by a score of 55-44.

Estill was led in scoring by Joe Benton with 28 points, including seven three pointers, Caleb Bonny would add 17, Will Burkhardt 5, Logan Napier would both add 6, Lee Mills 5, Trenton Walker 4, Matt Rowland 3, Trevor Evans and Noah Williams would both add 2.

The seventh grade won by a score of 35-21. Parker McCreary led a balanced scoring attack with 7 points, Conner Chaney and Logan Napier would both add 6, Lee Mills 5, Trenton Walker 4, Matt Rowland 3, Trevor Evans and Noah Williams would both add 2.

The sixth grade team would win big by a score of 43-19. Joe Benton would lead the scoring with

16, Cobbe Click 6, Micah Adams, Cody Hatton, Chase Rawlins and Ethan Webb would each add 4, Cobben Clem and Micah Swim 2, and Matthew Woolery 1.

## Patriots 8th Are Defeated By Foley In The Much-Anticipated Rematch

Playing in front of another large crowd on Thursday night the 8th grade Patriots would go down in defeat to the first place, undefeated in conference play, Foley Warriors.

"We just failed to match their intensity, focus, and level of execution. They flat out outplayed us in every aspect of the game. We must play our best to compete with

them," remarked Coach Bonny.

Estill, down by as much as 19 points rallied in the fourth quarter to cut the lead to as little as 9 points but ultimately lost by a score of 50-40.

The Patriots were led in scoring by Joe Benton with 21 points, Caleb Bonny 17, and Will Burkhardt 2.

"If we both can survive the first two rounds of the tournament we will likely get one more shot at Foley in the Conference championship game and I believe my guys will respond a whole lot different than they played tonight," remarked Coach Bonny.

The seventh grade won their second in a row and defeated Foley

by a score of 50-41. Estill was led in scoring by Logan Napier with 23 points, Micah Adams 15, Conner Chaney 9, Trevor Evans 2, and Cobbe Click 1.

The sixth grade won a nail biter in overtime by a score of 46-38. Joe Benton led in scoring with 24 points, Chase Rawlins 10, Cobbe Click 8, Micah Adams and Justin Stamper 2.

All teams will open play this upcoming week in the Commonwealth Athletics Conference tournament with the championships to be played at ECMS on Saturday, February 15th starting with the sixth grade championship at 11:00 a.m.

**Wanderings from the Woods & Water**  
by Jay Bicknell  
WetStoneKennels@yahoo.com



## This, That, And Trapping

### Thanks

My hat's off to all those in Estill, keeping the roads clear and salted this winter. I appreciate all your long hours at all hours of the night working on the ice covered roads. The good thing is spring is just around the corner!

### Help Wanted

I know the economy is bad and work is hard to come by. I was on the phone with a metal building company (US Buildings) that is looking to expand into Kentucky. They are looking to hire and train some folks to install buildings. If you are interested or know someone interested call David Watson at 828-264-6198 Ext. 2402.

### Trapped

I have caught myself day dreaming of warmer days and gobbling turkeys! This winter just won't quit. It seems like I spend a majority of my time cutting wood, splitting wood and loading

fireplaces. There is a silver lining to the cold days of February and it's called trapping.

This trapping thing has really got in my blood. The challenge of trapping is what I enjoy. It's like Christmas every day when you go to check your traps because you never know what you got.

A couple of weekends ago I had the best day ever of my trapping career. I caught a beaver, coyote, bobcat, and a possum. I was on cloud nine with my trapping success. That was the first bobcat I have ever trapped.

I credit a lot of success from the advice of a great trapper by the name of Dwight Evans. I talked to him on the phone about an hour one night about trapping bobcats. I took his advice and put it to practice to catch my first cat. Like I always say, it's not what you know but rather who you

know.

I guess the moral of the story is sharing your knowledge. Dwight has shared a lot about trapping with me. I am now showing my boys what I learned. Passing down heritage is important to keeping a tradition alive. By passing on your knowledge you will be leaving a legacy.

Trapping season is quickly coming to an end. I have had a very successful trapping year even if I didn't fill a shed with pelts. The knowledge I gained this year has me excited for next trapping season. I am not sure what I will do with myself between trapping season and turkey season! Hey Dad get the boat ready I guess it will be crappie fishing time on the in between season!

Until next week, get out and enjoy God's creation!

# Irvine approves ordinance to place merger on ballot

The Irvine Council voted unanimously Monday to approve of an ordinance to merge Irvine and Ravenna's governments.

The ordinance will allow the question of a merger between the two cities to be placed on the November ballot.

Irvine attorney Rodney Davis said residents of both cities must vote in favor of the merger.

Both Irvine and Ravenna councils gave first readings to the ordinance on Monday. Each city must give a second reading to the ordinance and publish it for it to become fi-

nal.

Davis said the ordinances must be presented to County Clerk Sherry L. Fox by August 12.

Mayor Ernest Farmer explained the city's salt situation to the council.

"We've got salt paid for but they don't have it," he stated.

He said the city priorities are the hospital hill and nursing home. Streets on the snow day's garbage route are then done.

Farmer said if it is too bad for the garbage truck to go on a street or alley, that a pick-up truck will be used.

"We will get your garbage," he stated. "you've got to be patient with this."

Police Chief Brad Smith said two businesses have returned applications for the quota liquor licenses. He said that others have shown interest and have until February 15. That date is 30 days after the advertisement for applications for quota licenses.

Smith said that one local restaurant picked up an application to serve drinks with meals but has not returned it.

Members of the council asked questions about a recent law suit filed by Irvine Municipal Utilities against the Estill County Water District.

"It kind of paints an ugly picture for our city and our county," said one councilmember.

Attorney Davis said he has not been real involved with the wastewater merger. He told the council that he thought the attorneys for IMU and the water district would resolve the issues.

# IPD makes their first arrest for possession of heroin

A Lexington woman was arrested Friday morning and charged with possession of heroin. Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith said this is the first local case involving heroin.

Officer Karl Rifenburg said that China Sky Combs, 30, was a rear seat passenger in a vehicle he stopped in traffic on KY 52 at McDonald's. He said he stopped the car because of a lookout for the vehicle because of suspected heroin and expired tags.

Capt. Adrian McKinney came to the scene with Irvine's K-9 unit. Verbal consent was given to search the vehicle. Officer Rifenburg said the dog alerted on the vehicle.

The citation states that two Irvine officers, assisted by Constable Danny Conrad, located a small amount of suspected heroin, a spoon with suspected heroin, one needle-syring, all in the back floor where Combs was sitting. Rifenburg said the needle was stuffed under Combs' seat.

Rifenburg said Combs admitted to having cocaine in the vehicle in the last few days.

The officer described the substance found as having a yellow tint and soft in consistency.

Combs was arraigned Friday in Estill District Court. She pleaded not-guilty to first degree possession of a controlled substance (heroin), first offense. A preliminary hearing was set for February 12.

Three new charges were added against Combs at 2 p.m. at the Estill County Jail.

Police Chief Brad Smith said that Deputy Jailer Melinda Miller was preparing Combs for transport when she noticed her trying to hide contraband in her private area.

He said Miller was able to obtain a used needle and a crack pipe from Combs.

According to the police chief, Combs also ate some form of contraband. He

stated it could possibly be heroin since she had some in her possession earlier. He said she intentionally ate the suspected drug to prevent the deputy jailers from getting it.

Smith charged Combs with promoting contraband, first; drug paraphernalia; and tampering with physical evidence.

Bond for Combs on these three charges was set at \$10,000 cash.



China Combs

# Arrest made for assault during domestic violence

An Irvine man has been charged with assault in the first degree.

Officer John Sturniolo responded to 431 N. Madison around 9:40 p.m. on Thursday, February 6 to a domestic violence complaint.

He said upon his arrival, he found a tire tool that Scott W. Cornett, 46, had thrown out the front door.

When he entered the residence, Sturniolo said he found an unconscious female on the living room floor.

A second male at the home told the officer that Cornett had beat him and the woman on the head and body. Sturniolo said Cornett also told him that he had beat the man and woman.

IPD says all subjects involved were intoxicated.

The unnamed woman was transported to Marcum &

Wallace Memorial Hospital. The unnamed male refused treatment.

Cornett had scratches on the left side of his back, said Sturniolo.

Cornett was arraigned in Estill District Court on Friday. He pleaded not-guilty to first degree assault.

He will appear again in district court on February 12 for a preliminary hearing.



Scott Cornett

**The Garden Bug**  
Cowslip is a herbaceous perennial with upright stems bearing bell-shaped, yellow flowers. It is native to the United Kingdom, but can be found in northeastern sections of North America. It is known commonly by many names such as fairycup, lady's keys, palsewort, primerole and St. Peter's wort.  
- Brenda Weaver  
Detail of *Primula veris humilis*, a woodcut by Carolus Clusius (1526-1609)  
Sources: plants.usda.gov; rhs.org.uk; www.picturingplants.com

© 2014 by King Features Syndicate, Inc. World rights reserved.

## Soccer Signups

Estill County youth soccer sign-ups are going to be held at Hardee's starting Fri. Feb. 7th 6-8 p.m. and Sat. Feb. 8th 11-1 p.m. And also Fri. Feb. 14th 6-8 p.m. and Sat. Feb 15th 11-1 p.m.  
A child must be born on or between dates of August 1, 2001-July 31, 2009 to be able to participate.  
The fees for returning players from Fall are \$25 and new players are \$50 with sibling discount available.  
If you have any questions please call Staci Owens at 726-9686.

## IRVINE 606-726-9512 FLEA MARKET

1197 Winchester Road Irvine, Kentucky  
Several Booths to Choose From  
Primitives And Much More!  
Stop by and look around!  
Antiques, Glassware & Much More  
We • Buy • Sell • Trade  
Always Looking for Good Furniture  
Irvine Flea Market  
1197 Winchester Road Irvine, KY  
Call 726-9512 Ask for Tammy

**top ten**  
Gums and Mints

1. Orbit
2. Trident
3. 5
4. Extra
5. Eclipse
6. Trident White
7. Tic Tac
8. Dentyne Ice
9. Orbit White
10. Ice Breakers

Source: IRI

© 2014 by King Features Syndicate, Inc. World rights reserved.

## Becoming An Outdoors Woman

The popular Becoming an Outdoors-Woman program returns April 5 for a special one-day session in Grayson, Ky.  
Women interested in learning basic outdoor skills in a comfortable, friendly environment can register online at fw.ky.gov or call the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources at 1-800-858-1549 for more information.  
Becoming an Outdoors-Woman, or BOW to those who participate, is a nationally recognized program designed for beginners seeking a relaxed, non-competitive environment to learn various skills from seasoned professionals.  
The Beyond BOW workshop scheduled for the first Saturday in April offers a variety of topics including tree identification, hunting, fishing, bird identification, wild game cooking, edible plants, archery, shooting and more.  
The \$50 registration fee covers two class sessions, lunch, equipment and materials. For an additional \$25, participants may stay the night before classes start at Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's Camp Robert Webb, located on the shores of Grayson Lake in Carter County. The lodging fee includes a continental breakfast the next morning. Courses are taught at Camp Webb.  
Classes fill on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline to apply is March 14.