



## Where Were You Last Week?

**Tam's Front Porch Ponderings**  
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Several of you have stopped me this week and asked "Where's your story?" I must apologize, it seems life has gotten in the way and I'm falling behind on my obligations. In my defense, the past two weeks have been pretty hectic and I'm still trying to process it all. I suppose the best place to start is at the beginning.

Our son Dylan, left for Germany last week for training with the Kentucky Army National Guard. The week prior to his departure was filled with the packing and repacking of his gear. I'm not exactly sure what he took with him because my living room looks like an Army Surplus store. Uniforms,

tee-shirts, boots, all still left where he dropped them, but Corky assures me this was just 'extra stuff'. Now my question is, what do I DO with it all? I fear I'm going to that dark place again, where unorganized messes take over and I disappear beneath mounds of military tee shirts. To add to my anxiety was Dylan's flight. I know he's a grown man, but it's a mom thing! I googled the flight pattern and watched as the little image of his plane crossed from Louisville to Atlanta and I held my breath as his flight from Atlanta to Munich was postponed not once, not twice...but three times. He boarded in Atlanta at 3:30 and pulled out at 6:32. I watched the little plane image until midnight when I finally had to give up and lay down (because my nerves were shot) and the little plane was leaving Canadian air space and heading out over the Atlantic. Around 3:30 a.m. we received a snapshot that said he had landed around 3:00 a.m. Eastern time. I think that was 8:00 a.m. in Germany but I was finally able to shut my eyes for a couple of hours before leaving for work. And just when you think you can take

a big deep breath, life comes knocking again. In the process of putting away Dylan's things, our daughter Sarah Beth phoned. "Mom?" she says, when I answer the phone. "Yes dear", I reply. "You sitting down?" she asks. Oh gosh, here it comes, something horrible has happened and the room grows darker and darker. "Yes", I say quietly, "I'm sitting down". I lied, I was stretched out on the couch, ready for the worst. "You'll never guess where we're going next, Jake got his orders", she squealed into the phone, "and before too long I'll be calling you to say 'Aloha!'" Mmmmm, the room is spinning and getting darker and darker. "Hawaii!?" I manage to say through the darkness. "Yes! Hawaii for three and a half years! Isn't it exciting?" I can hear her enthusiasm all the way from Ft. Polk, Louisiana. The room is growing brighter now, it wasn't bad news at all. Everything is good and our daughter is happy. "Sarah, this is wonderful news, you're gonna

love it! The scenery, the flowers, oh it is the trip of a lifetime!" I say with as much excitement as I can muster, realizing my baby will be a lot farther away than a seventeen hour drive to Louisiana. "We're so excited! We are going to have to bring a lot of our stuff back home to store though, I can't take my piano or all my guitars and only one of our bedroom suits. There's dishes I don't want to get broken and..." she kept listing things she was bringing home and I was back in that dark place again. I sat down in the middle of the living room floor and took a good, hard, look around as Sarah chattered on. My head was reeling from the news and that's when I heard her say, "I think my grand piano will fit caddy-corner in your living room, in front of the rose garden windows. You know I can't put that in storage. What do you think? Mom? MOM!? Are you still there?" I figure if I lay real, real still hidden beneath all this military stuff, no one will see me and when I wake up, this will all be a bad dream. A dream where I have a new dining room table in the shape of a...grand piano!

## ESTILL PUBLIC LIBRARY

246 Main Street, Irvine, KY - Call 723-3030  
 If school is cancelled due to icy roads, the bookmobile will run two weeks after the scheduled date.

Week of March 24-27, 2014			
BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE			
MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.
N. Wood Apts. Winchester Rd. Edgewater Drive Crestview Ct. Mt. Crest, Irvine	Stacy Lane Rice Station West Irvine	Horizon Daycare Angel Keepers Ravenna Wagersville Drip Rock	Sugar Hollow Rd. Buck Creek Doe Creek Barnes Mountain
"Mommie & Me" and Storytime			
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. and Fridays at 10:30 a.m.			

## 2014 Estill Senior Calendar

Condensed from Information prepared by Estill High School Counselor Melissa Neal

- Wednesday, March 19th**
- Upward Bound Mtg. at 10:15 a.m.
- Thursday, March 20th**
- Military Recruiters in the building
- Thursday & Friday, March 20th & 21st**
- KOSSA Testing for seniors!
- Friday, March 21st**
- Appalachian Wireless Scholarship Application Deadline; must have had phone service with Appalachian Wireless for at least a year and have a minimum of a 2.5 high school GPA. Pick up an application from Mrs. Neal or go to: [www.appalachianwireless.com](http://www.appalachianwireless.com)
  - Late Registration Deadline for the April 12 ACT Test
- Wednesday, March 26th**
- March 26 ETS sponsors a "College Life" panel for the entire Senior Class at 9:30 a.m. Individual appointments will be available after the presentation.

# Estill FBLA Achieves Excellence At Regional Competition

The Region 6 FBLA Conference was held Friday, March 7, on the campus of EKU. In keeping with the State theme, the Estill County High School chapter was Aiming for Excellence. This is exactly what they did, bringing home numerous awards, two regional officers, an outstanding adviser in Region 6, and the Region 6 Businessperson of the Year.

the podium, the Opening General Session was called to order. From there, members competed in their events while helping Ashleigh Dozier campaign to serve as the 2014-15 Region 6 President. Samantha Puckett tested in Parliamentary Procedure in an effort to be named the Region 6 Parliamentarian for the upcoming school year.

Session began, Ethan once again called the assembly to order. Estill County High School FBLA had 27 members bring home awards, some in more than one event. Prior to the awards being presented, the Region 6 Businessperson of the Year was named. Estill County's very own Darrell Horn received this prestigious award. Mr. Horn's contributions to FBLA, Irvine, and Estill County earned him this honor.

State Historian Sydney Richardson presented a plaque to Mr. Horn as Ethan told the crowd of his many contribution and accomplishments. Samantha Puckett was installed as the 2014-15 Region 6 Parliamentarian. Newly elected Region 6 President Ashleigh Dozier adjourned the meeting, ending yet another successful day for Estill County High School Future Business Leaders of America.

With Region 6 President, Ethan Hall at

As events concluded and the Awards

### Gain An Understanding of How Movies Are Made When Estill Library Welcomes Film Studies Guest Speaker

Estill County Public Library welcomes guest speaker Stephanie Fitch on Friday, March 28 at 4:00 p.m. as she presents an overview of all elements of filmmaking, from the treatment of the script, art design to the production and editing to the final distribution.

Anyone can be a movie maker these days with the popularity of YouTube, Vine, and Instagram. Learn what it takes to make your movie stand out!

Those just wishing to gain a better appreciation of the movies they like to watch will also enjoy the discussion. Guest speaker Fitch teaches the Film-making Certificate Program at Bluegrass Community and Technical College in Lexington.

This library program is free and open to all ages. For more information or to sign up, contact the library at (606) 723-3030.



FBLA region parliamentarian winning team, Samantha Puckett, Kayla Fowler, Ashleigh Dozier, Ryan Freeman, and (not pictured) Christine Tipton

ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS				
Milk is included with every meal; plus assorted juices included with breakfast				
MONDAY March 24	TUESDAY March 25	WEDNESDAY March 26	THURSDAY March 27	FRIDAY March 28
<b>SOUTH IRVINE BREAKFASTS</b>				
Breakfast Pizza Assorted Juice	Gravy & Biscuit Applesauce	Pancake Porky Assorted Juice	Mini Waffles Pears	Cereal & Yogurt Assorted Juice
<b>SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Rings w/Roll Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Applesauce	Pizza Peas Celery Sticks Peach Cups	Chicken Noodle Soup w/Crackers Grilled Cheese Broc. & Grape Tomatoes, Oranges	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Breadstick Romaine Salad Glazed Carrots Mandarin Oranges	Chicken Fajita w/Shell, Salsa Refried Beans Corn Fruit Cocktail
<b>ESTILL SPRINGS &amp; WEST IRVINE BREAKFASTS</b>				
Breakfast Pizza Assorted Juice	Sausage & Biscuit Assorted Juice	Pancake Porky Assorted Juice	Toast & Cereal Assorted Juice	Mini Waffles Assorted Juice
<b>ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Nuggets Roll Peas Mashed Potatoes Peach Cup	Pizza Corn Green Beans Pears	Spaghetti Bread Stick Glazed Carrots Broccoli w/Dip Mandarin Oranges	Hot Dog on Bun Potato Smiles Dill Spears Pork & Beans Applesauce	Taco w/Soft Shell Let./Tom./Cheese Salsa Apple
<b>WEST IRVINE LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Peas Peach Cup	Pizza Corn Green Beans Pears	Spaghetti w/Bread Stick or Fish/Bun Glazed Carrots Broccoli w/Dip Mandarin Oranges	Hot Dog on Bun Potato Smiles Dill Spears Pork & Beans Applesauce	Taco or Chicken Fajita w/Soft Shell Let./Tom./Cheese Salsa Apple
<b>ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST</b>				
Breakfast Pizza Cereal, Pop Tart Fruit, Milk	Sausage & Biscuit Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit, Milk	Yogurt, Cereal Pop Tart, Fruit Assorted Juice	Mini Waffles w/Syrup, Cereal Pop Tart, Fruit	Cinnamon Toast Breakfast Bar Cereal, Pop Tart
<b>ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH</b>				
Bosco w/Marinara Sauce or Chicken Quesadilla Corn Romaine Salad Applesauce	Hot Dog or Pork Chop on bun Baked Beans Baby Bakers Pineapple	Chicken Nuggets w/Texas Toast or Fish on bun Mashed Potatoes Broc. & Cheese Mandarin Orange	Chicken Pattie or Deli Turkey on Bun French Fries Pork & Beans Applesauce	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce & Breadstick or Mr. Rib on Bun, Glazed Carrots, Pears Green Beans
<b>ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST</b>				
Cereal, Pop Tarts Yogurt, Juices Banana or Apple	Sausage Biscuit, Cereal, Yogurt Banana or Apple	Chicken Biscuit Cereal, Pop Tart, Yogurt, Fruit	Egg & Cheese Biscuit, Cereal Pop Tart, Yogurt	Breakfast Pizza Cereal Pop Tarts
<b>ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH</b>				
Chicken Patty on Bun or Burrito w/ Cheese Sauce Green Beans Normandy Blend Veggies, Fruit	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce & Breadstick or Fish/bun Glazed Carrots Corn Pears, Applesauce	Chicken Tenders w/Roll or Mr. Rib on Bun Broccoli & Cheese Sweet Potatoes Fruit	Hot Dog or BBQ on Bun Baby Bakers Baked Beans Gold Fish Cookie Fruit	Chicken Pot Pie w/ Biscuit or Chuck Wagon on Bun Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Fruit



At left, Steven Sexton with his first place win, and at right, Chris Nichols shows off his region trophy

## River View Place

**105 Main Street in Irvine**

Featuring over 40 vendors on three floors in Irvine's historic River View Hotel. Artisans and craftsman, featuring hand crafted furniture, wood carvings and bowls, jewelry, soaps, candles, burlap, repurposed, quilting, clay art, gift cards, hair bows, paintings, photography. In addition we have antiques, collectibles, primitives, berry garlands, floral decorations, tools and more.

**Open Monday-Saturday 9-6 • Sunday 1-5**

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