



**Tam's Front Porch Ponderings**  
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## It All Started Simple Enough

It all started out simple enough, I had seen somewhere about coloring eggs, (the real egg without the shell) and it looked so pretty on the egg plate that I decided that's what I would do for Easter. It wouldn't take much, just some egg dye, vinegar and eggs. You know, I wish things were that easy for me but somehow it always turns into a disaster and I almost lose my religion in the process!

I was prepared, I had purchased my dozen eggs and checked the pantry for white vinegar. All I needed was the PAAS egg dyeing

kit and I was ready to start, or so I thought. Shopping down the Easter aisle at Wal-Mart, I soon discovered there were numerous choices for egg dyeing kits. Let's see, there was the neon color kit; glitter, glow in the dark kit; tie-dye kit (which was very tempting to me); camouflage Duck Dynasty kit, well for Heaven's sake, I just want to color eggs! Where is the REAL stuff? I parked my buggy and "excused" my way through the crowd and began digging for the regular stuff I remembered from childhood. The one with the stickers of crosses and the wax crayon that you drew on the eggs with. I was about to give up when I spotted them on the bottom shelf, way in the back, so I plopped down on my hands and knees and reached as far as I could to the back of the shelf and pulled out the real stuff! "AHA!", I squealed as I tried my best to pull myself back to my feet with the aid of my buggy and some kind little eight year old boy who I'm sure, felt sorry for the silver-haired lady stuck on the floor of the Easter aisle.

With my egg dyeing kit in hand, I found Corky and declared I was "ready" to go home and begin the coloring process. I made my way to the check-out while Corky went to get the truck and pull up to the door to wait on me. Twenty minutes later, I get a text from him, "WHERE are you? All you had was an egg coloring kit and some candy!" I replied, "HELP.STUCK IN CHECKOUT CAN'T GET OUT!" Yes, it was Easter weekend and Wal-Mart did a bang up job (as always with ANY Holiday) by having six check-outs available. I tried to remember my manners by glancing at the magazines on the end cap. After I'd read all the headlines, whoa... I didn't know "Elvis was spotted at a Miami resort" recently!!, and checked out all the pictures of baby Royal George, I was still standing in the same spot. Ok, let's look at the other magazine rack, hmmm... "drop 30 lbs in 30 days", that sounds like a winner to me and "How To Avoid Stress". My first suggestion would be don't go shopping

Easter weekend for an egg coloring kit at Wal-Mart with only six lanes open! I tried to breathe deeply and keep calm but by the time I checked out and reached the truck, my face was red and my blood pressure I'm sure was through the roof.

Finally, back at home, I placed the eggs on to boil and began looking for containers to put the dye in. The kit I remembered from childhood had six colors, but this one had twelve! Great, one color for each egg, no waiting for six to color before dipping the next six! Finding containers was the problem, I didn't have enough plastic bowls, so I resorted to coffee cups. This worked GREAT! Loved it! But what was even better was a pint jelly jar I found in the cupboard. With all the cups and the jelly jar lined up on the counter I was just about to drop the dye tablets in the containers when Corky wandered in and said, "You about ready for bed? It's after midnight!?" Ewww, I hadn't noticed the time! I finished up with the eggs, running them through a cool bath and placing them back in their carton. I popped them in the fridge until I could finish them early the next morning.

that pulled big chunks of the hard-boiled egg off. I mumbled under my breath about 'who's stupid idea was this anyway?' while Corky laughed in the other room. Trying to cheer myself up, I kept thinking how neat my niece and nephews would think this was. Colored eggs that you could eat! I planned to place the hard-boiled, colored eggs on my pretty egg plate with a rabbit figurine sitting in the middle but by the way things were going, it wasn't looking too good!

An HOUR later, I finished peeling the eggs and was finally ready to drop them in their color bath. I watched with anticipation as each one began to change color. "I'll just let them sit awhile", I thought as I looked for my egg plate in the cabinet and found my little, white rabbit for the center decoration. I cleaned up the kitchen and kept an eye on the progress of the eggs. Satisfied with the color they had reached, I gingerly lifted them from the colored water and propped them in a paper tray to dry. After wiping off the counter and washing up the eleven coffee cups and the jelly jar, I began placing the eggs on my egg plate. Even though the eggs looked like they'd had a car wreck on the way to Easter morning, their

colors were beautiful. Wait! Why was there three empty spots on my egg plate? I counted the eggs, then the spots on the plate, twelve eggs, FIFTEEN spots! "WHO IN THEIR RIGHT MIND MAKES AN EGG PLATE WITH FIFTEEN HOLES!" I yelled into thin air. A small voice from the living room called back, "Who in their right mind doesn't count the holes before they boil the eggs?" I didn't care, I was taking this plate of dyed eggs to mom's for lunch and the kids were gonna love it. I grabbed a box of marshmallow peeps and tore three of the yellow chicks from their package. I squished them into the three vacant holes on the egg plate and sat the rabbit in the center, "THERE!", I said out loud, "it's finished!"

At lunch time, my egg plate with rainbow colored, hard-boiled eggs sat untouched. The deviled eggs were a big hit and I heard one of the kids say, "Mom pass me one of the good eggs" so I got excited and thought they were talking about mine...but it was short lived. "No, not one of the bad eggs, one of the GOOD eggs" as they pointed to the plate of deviled eggs.

Oh well, it all started out simple enough...!

ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS				
Milk is included with every meal; plus assorted juices included with breakfast				
MONDAY April 28	TUESDAY April 29	WEDNESDAY April 30	THURSDAY May 1	FRIDAY May 2
<b>SOUTH IRVINE BREAKFASTS</b>				
Breakfast Pizza Assorted Juice	Sausage & Biscuit Assorted Juice	Cereal & Toast Assorted Juice	Mini Waffles Pears	Cereal & Yogurt Assorted Juice
<b>SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Tenders Texas Toast Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Applesauce	Bologna Sandwich Glazed Carrots Broccoli & Cheese Tropical Fruit	Cheeseburger on Bun Tater Tots Pork & Beans Peach Cup	Pepperoni Pizza Corn Dill Pickle Spears Pineapple	Chicken Pattie on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Green Beans Peaches
<b>ESTILL SPRINGS &amp; WEST IRVINE BREAKFASTS</b>				
Breakfast Pizza Assorted Juice	Gravy & Biscuit Assorted Juice	Mini Pancakes Assorted Juice	Toast & Cereal Assorted Juice	Pop Tart, Cereal Assorted Juice
<b>ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Peas Peach Cup	Pepperoni Pizza Romaine Salad Grape Tomatoes Pineapples	Cheeseburger on Bun, Oranges Let./Tom./Pickles Baby Bakers Pork & Beans	Pizza Munchable Carrot Sticks w/dip Raisins Milk	Corndog Corn Normandy Blend Peach Cup Mi
<b>WEST IRVINE LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Peas Peach Cup	Cheese Pizza Corn Romaine Salad Pears	Chili PB&J Sandwich Carrot Sticks/dip Celery Sticks Mandarin Oranges	Bosco w/Marinara Sauce Slaw Green Beans Applesauce	Hamburger on Bun Cool Ranch Doritos Let./Tom./Pickles Baked Beans Apple
<b>ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST</b>				
Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit, Assorted Juice	Sausage & Biscuit, Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit, Juice	Yogurt, Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit, Juice	Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit	Cinnamon Toast, Breakfast Bar, Cereal, Pop Tart
<b>ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH</b>				
Stuff Crust Pizza or BBQ on Bun Corn Carrot Sticks Peach Cup Tropical Fruit	Hamburger on Bun or Deli Turkey Let./Tom./Pickles Potato wedges Pineapple Oranges	Chicken Rings Biscuit Glazed Carrots Broccoli & Cheese Mandarin Oranges Pears	Chicken Pot Pie w/ Biscuit or Chicken Pattie on Bun Mashed Potatoes Slaw, Apples	Taco or Chicken Fajita w/shell Let./Tom./Cheese Refried Beans Salsa, Applesauce or Pineapple
<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>				
Bosco w/Marinara Sauce or Chicken Quesadilla w/Salsa, Corn Romaine Mix Salad Fruit	Chicken Pattie or Hot Ham & Cheese on Bun Broccoli & Cheese Mashed Potatoes Fruit	BBQ or Mr. Rib on Bun Glazed Carrots Green Beans Pears Apple	Spicy Chicken or Deli Turkey on Bun Let./Tom./Pickles Potato Wedges Applesauce Tropical Fruit	Corn Dog or Fish on Bun Baked Beans Slaw, Carrot Sticks Pineapples Applesauce

**ESTILL PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
246 Main Street, Irvine, KY - Call 723-3030  
If school is cancelled due to icy roads, the book-mobile will run two weeks after the scheduled date.

**Week of April 28-May 1, 2014**

**BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE**

MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.
Old Fox Road Furnace Jct. Miller's Creek Cow Creek	Winston Trotting Ridge Sandhill	Wisemantown Station Camp Red Lick Crooked Creek	Spout Springs Hudson Mill New Fox Road Hargett-Parvin Road

**"Mommie & Me" and Storytime**  
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. and Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

**ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS**

**REGISTRATION/SCREENING FOR PRESCHOOL**

**REGISTRATION/SCREENING DATES**

- Friday, May 2<sup>ND</sup> 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM
- Thursday, May 8<sup>TH</sup> 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM
- Friday, May 9<sup>TH</sup> 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

**At the South Irvine P-K Center**  
**1000 South Irvine Road**  
**Irvine, KY 40336**

**CALL Genia McKinney, Family Service Specialist**  
**at South Irvine P-K Center at 726-3078**  
**TO SCHEDULE A SCREENING APPOINTMENT**

**Preschool Qualification Guidelines:**

- Children who turn four years old by October 1st and meet income requirements or have a delay or disability
- Children who turn three years old by October 1st and have a delay or disability or meet Head Start requirements
- Children may attend on a tuition basis, depending upon enrollment numbers of income-eligible students. Tuition fee is \$180 per month for 10 months. This is offered on a first-come, first-served basis for four year old children.

**Please bring the following documents with your child to register:**

- Child's Certified Birth Certificate (Vital Statistics form - not a hospital certificate)
- Proof of Family Income (For eligibility purposes): Check Stub, Tax Forms, Statement from Employer, SSI Award Letter, Food Stamp Letter, Child Care Subsidy Form, statement from person providing room and board
- Appropriate Proof of Address for eligibility purposes (utility bill, insurance bill, lease agreement, etc.)
- Copy of an up to date immunization certificate recorded on a Kentucky form only
- Copy of a school entry physical form that includes blood pressure, Hemoglobin count, and Lead Screening/test
- Copy of an eye exam completed by an Optometrist or Ophthalmologist
- Copy of a school entry dental exam performed by a licensed dental professional
- Medical Insurance Card
- Copy of legal guardianship, (if not biological parent)
- Court documents pertaining to your child, if applicable

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