



Tam's Front Porch Ponderings
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Rankin, our dog, has become very comfortable with his new home. It's been just over a year now that he has filled the void left by the loss of our beloved Buster. He's not one of those small,

house dogs, (although he 'thinks' he's a lap dog), no, he's a 90 lb. lean, mean, protective machine when it comes to me and my neighboring family. He keeps a watchful eye on my Mom's house, my sister's house AND our house. He's truly one of a kind!

The day we brought him home, he immediately marked his new territory, including Corky! I thought this was hilarious until it happened to me! We were at a festival, in a very large crowd and lots of people were pushing me. I held Rankin close on his leash and before I knew it, he had 'marked' me! I was so embarrassed! A man spotted his behavior and commented, "You've got a fine

dog there ma'am, he's letting everyone know he'll fight to protect you". That was all fine and good, but it didn't help my pride any as I tried to wipe the dog wee wee off my sandal! Before long, this big red dog, with the black tongue had won my heart, now he's become my constant companion.

Rankin has a special place to sleep, a large pillow, on the floor by my side of the bed. Sometimes at night, I'll wake up to find his big head close to mine on the pillow. He's the perfect height to peep over the mattress with his feet firmly planted on the floor. Once I rub his head, he will lay back down. It's almost like he's just checking on me. Where I go, he goes and

you've probably spotted us together at Burger Barn. Ice cream is his favorite treat. We went to mow last week at my Aunt Shirley and Mom's home-place. Of course, you know who had to go too! Riding in the back of the truck with his nose in the wind and ears flapping, Rankin enjoyed his trip to the farm. He wasn't so happy on the way back and here's why!

Corkymowed while Aunt Shirley and I swept inside the house. We straightened up a bit, opening windows to air out the place and I must have made a dozen trips in and out the front door with my dust pan. I didn't notice Rankin not there. Before long, Corky finished mowing and loaded up the trailer. We put our brooms away, closed the windows and locked up. I climbed onto the trailer because I would be the gate keeper on the way up the hill and just before we pulled out, Corky whistled for Rankin. We waited...and waited...and waited, no Rankin. Corky turned off the truck and we began to search. I hollered, Corky whistled, Aunt Shirley walked the place until we heard a noise coming from under the house. That crazy dog had pulled the stones of the foundation away from the house and crawled under it. We could hear him digging and bumping his head on the floor boards but getting him to come out was not going to happen! Corky got the flashlight and asked nicely, we cooed and coaxed, we begged and pleaded. Whatever he was after, he wasn't giving up on! Corky laid down on his stomach and crawled as far under as he could to get a grip on Rankin. No use! The dog was focused on what we

assumed to be... a groundhog. It was at this point that Corky got out the pistol. No, not to shoot the dog, just to shoot out into the open field. Rankin is terrified of gunfire and we figured this would bring him out in a hurry. Huh! Even THAT didn't work! After forty-five minutes, all three of us hot and aggravated, Rankin finally got close enough to the side of the house that Corky could get hold of him. Mmmm, it was not a pleasant ride home! Rankin sat in the back of the truck with his head down and the most sorrowful look on his face. I scolded him harshly (still the gate keeper, I rode in the back with the dog). He would try to love on me and I would turn away, letting him know how disappointed I was in him. Now I realize he's a dog and things like this are going to happen, but he is trained to "come" when commanded. This was the very first time I could recall, that he hadn't followed directions. I think he realized the error of his ways and has been trying to

make up to me all week. But the ride home from the farm was very different than our trip down.

We pulled into Burger Barn to get a diet Coke on the way home. Rankin's ears perked up, ice cream! I scolded him again for not obeying and those big, brown eyes broke my heart. Yeah, yeah, that was ME you saw, feeding a dog ice cream, with a spoon. What can I say? He's truly...one of a kind!

P.S. Another big, red dog has appeared at our house. He has a massive head, large feet and weighs about 100 lbs. Has a white mark between his eyes and the tip of his tail. Really a friendly dog but we cannot keep him. If you think he may be yours, please phone 606-723-4196. I will hold him until Friday, but then I will have to place him for adoption. He looks like the dog from the movie "Turner and Hooch", a French Mastiff. Please claim this dog, he needs a home and the cab of my truck is not big enough for four of us!

ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS

Milk is included with every meal; plus assorted juices included with breakfast

MONDAY May 19	TUESDAY May 20	WEDNESDAY May 21	THURSDAY May 22	FRIDAY May 23
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SOUTH IRVINE BREAKFASTS

Breakfast Pizza Assorted Juice	No School Election Day	Pancake Porky Assorted Juice	Mini Waffles Pears	Cereal & Yogurt Assorted Juice
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SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES

Chicken Tenders Texas Toast Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Grapes	No School Election Day	Hamburger on Bun Tater Tots Pork & Beans Banana	Pepperoni Pizza Corn Dill Pickle Spears Pineapple	Chicken Pattie on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Green Beans Peaches
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ESTILL SPRINGS & WEST IRVINE BREAKFASTS

Breakfast Pizza Assorted Juice	No School Election Day	Pancake Porky Assorted Juice	Toast, Cereal Assorted Juice	Muffins Assorted Juice
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ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES

Chicken Nuggets Roll, Peas Mashed Potatoes Peach Cup	No School Election Day	Chili, Crackers PB&J Sandwich Carrot Sticks/Dip Celery Sticks Mandarin Oranges	Bosco w/Marinara Sauce Slaw Green Beans Applesauce	Hamburger on Bun, LTP Cool Ranch Doritos, Apples Baked Beans
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WEST IRVINE LUNCHES

Chicken Pattie or Mr. Rib on Bun Mashed Potatoes Steamed Broccoli Peach cup	No School Election Day	Cheese Pizza Corn Cucumber Slices Pears	Bosco w/Marinara Sauce Slaw Green Beans Applesauce	Hamburger on Bun Cool Ranch Doritos Let., Tom., Pickles Baked Beans Apple
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ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Toast, Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit, Juice	No School Election Day	Pancake Porky Cereal, Pop Tart Fruit, Juice	Cinnamon Roll Cereal, Pop Tart Fruit, Juice	Biscuit & Gravy Cereal, Pop Tart Fruit, Juice
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ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH

Bosco w/Marinara Sauce or Chicken Quesadilla Romaine Salad Corn, Tropical Fruit or Pears	No School Election Day	Chicken Rings Biscuit Glazed Carrots Steamed Broccoli Mandarin Oranges or Fruit Cup	Chicken Pot Pie, Biscuit or Chicken Pattie on Bun Mashed Potatoes Slaw Apple	Taco w/Shell or Chicken Fajita w/Shell, LTC Salsa, Refried Beans, Cherry Cobbler
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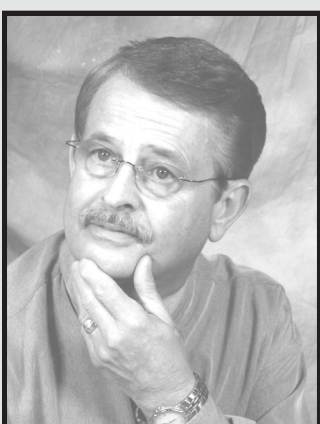
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Cereal, Pop Tarts Yogurt, Juices Banana or Apple	No School Election Day	Chicken Biscuit Cereal, Pop Tart, Yogurt, Fruit	Egg & Cheese Biscuit, Cereal Pop Tart, Yogurt	Breakfast Pizza Cereal Pop Tarts
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ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH

Bosco w/Marinara sauce or Chicken Quesadilla w/Salsa Corn, Romaine Salad Mandarin Oranges, Pineapple	No School Election Day	Chicken Rings w/ Roll or Mr. Rib on Bun, Green Beans Glazed Carrots Pears Apple	Spicy Chicken or Deli Turkey on bun Let./Tom./Pickles Potato Wedges Applesauce Tropical Fruit	Corn Dog or Fish on Bun, Slaw Baked Beans Carrot Sticks Pineapple Applesauce
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On Monday, May 19, 2014, Rhonda Sloan from Commonwealth Educational Opportunity Center at Morehead State University will be at the center from 9-11:30 a.m. She will be available to help individuals who would like assistance with financial aid for their continuing education. To schedule an appointment to meet with Ms. Sloan, please call the center at 723-7323.

In addition, there are now GED test sites within our area that offer the GED test each week. If you are interested in preparing to take the GED test, we offer classes in literacy (language and reading), math, science, and social studies at the center on Monday through Thursday. Come by or call the center at 723-7323 to get a copy of our class schedule and to learn about future test dates.

Larry Stewart
for Estill County Jailer
My name is Larry Stewart and I am a candidate for Estill County Jailer



I have been a resident of Estill County for 28 years. During those years I have been owner and operator of several local businesses, and, for the last eleven years, have been employed by the Irvine Municipal Utilities at a Water Treatment Plant Operator. I am a member of River Drive Christian Church as well as a current member and past president of the Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club. In the past, I have served for six years as Deputy Jailer and have served as a member of the Estill County Drug Court Review Board as well as a member of the State Police Personnel Board.

Four years ago, the people of Estill County showed me a lot of support; Because of that support and the encouragement of many of you, I am once again asking for your vote.

Thank You, Larry Stewart

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