



**Tam's Front Porch Ponderings**  
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## A Stray Named Hooch . . .

today we HAVE had him to the Vet. After that nice little chunk of change, we HAVE decided . . . to keep him! Am I a softie or what?!

The Vet gave us an idea of his age, probably three or four and confirmed he is a Mastiff mix. Great! Another big dog! Corky has already tried to get me to ride in the back of the truck so him and the boys can ride up front. It ain't happening!

When the stray first came to us, I called him Auger head because his head is SO massive. When it came time to fill out papers at the Vet though, Corky officially named him Hooch after the movie "Turner and Hooch". That's what my niece and nephews had been calling him anyway and it seemed

to fit. Our intentions were to get his shots so he could be adopted but once we got Rankin and Hooch loaded in the Tahoe, I glanced back and said, "Welcome to the family!"

"What makes you say that?" Corky said with a grin.

I showed him the bill, "After spending THIS much money on a stray, I'm not about to give him away!" I laughed. As if on cue, Hooch gave my face a lick just like he knew he was part of our family now. Off we went to get them ice cream from Burger Barn for being so good at the Vet. I'm glad we got his shots and officially named him. I feel better knowing he's been checked out and I can quit calling him Auger. Am I a softie or what?!

Rankin is going to have to show Hooch the way we do things around here. I can imagine the conver-

sation will probably go something like this;

"We get dog treats for obeying commands and ice cream once a week (or special occasions). Stay clear of skunks if you ever want to work your way into the house and sit quietly when riding in the Tahoe. Don't play in the street, be nice to children, protect the property and you've got it made. We can go inside when it storms, or gets too hot or gets too cold, but remember . . . I sleep on her side of the bed!"

Well, I gotta go now, we're off to buy a collar with Hooch's name on it and I suppose a new dog bed. Probably another set of dog bowls would be a good idea and a dog brush. Oh my, if we take him to the lake, he'll need a life jacket like Rankin's! I better make a list since Hooch is here to stay. Humph, am I a softie...or what?!

Here's an update on the stray dog that I mentioned a month ago in my column . . . he's still here! I wanted to set the record straight: we HAVE been feeding him; we HAVE provided him a nice, comfy place to sleep (no, it's not by my side of the bed) and as of

### 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 June 16-20, 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.

### Helping Hands Outreach Needs Volunteers and Help For Summer Food Program

Once again Helping Hands Outreach is doing the summer food program in the community. At this time, we have 200 plus children to feed. We are taking volunteers to help pack.

We will begin Monday, June 16 at 6 p.m. at Christian Worship Center located at 105 Broadway. We will pack and deliver to the children the same night. We encourage you and your family, churches, businesses and organizations to get involved in this outreach.

Coordinator Debbie Rison says they deliver the bags on Monday evenings after they pack, but "we

know it won't last two weeks," because the ministry is run by donations only.

"We have churches and individuals that donate monthly," says Rison. "That helps us get thru the year."

"We also try to get people involved to buy a outfit and a pair of shoes for back to school," she added. "Plus, we feed Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas dinner and try to buy outfits and toys for the kids at Christmas."

For more information on how you can help or donate, you may contact the Helping Hands phone at 606-975-6424.

## Adult Ed. News

### Estill County Adult Learning Center

All Of Our Services Are FREE!

Thursday & Friday, June 12th & 13th

#### Paraeducator/Teacher Aide Class

The Adult Learning Center will offer paraeducator classes on June 12 and 13. To make these classes more accessible for everyone in the community, we will offer both a daytime (11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) and an evening (6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.) session. The same content will be covered in the daytime and the evening class each day. Students will be given the paraeducator exam on the last day of class. Successfully completing this exam would allow you to work in any school system in Kentucky. If you are interested in signing up for the classes, please contact Mary Skipper or Rebecca Lee at 606-723-7323 for more information.

Monday, June 16, 9-11:30 a.m.

#### Postsecondary Counseling

Rhonda Sloan, a counselor with the Commonwealth Educational Opportunity Center at Morehead State University, will be at the center on Monday, June 16, 2014, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. She will be available to assist anyone who needs help in continuing his education; this help includes applying for admission, securing financial aid, scheduling COMPASS and ACT tests, etc. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Sloan, please call the center at 723-7323.

Friday, June 20th @ 6:30pm

#### GED Graduation

On June 20, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., the Adult Education Center will hold its annual graduation exercises in the Estill County High School auditorium. If you earned your GED at the center between July 2013 and June 2014, you are invited to participate in this graduation ceremony. Graduates should already have received an invitation and additional graduation information through the mail. If you did not receive an invitation, please contact the center. If you plan to participate in this graduation, please contact the center before June 16, 2014, at 723-7323.

Get the job YOU want . . .

#### GED Testing Is Offered Weekly

Is not having your high school diploma preventing you from getting the job you want? The official GED test is now being offered weekly within our area. 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.

**Barnes Mountain Adult Learner Reunion**  
 We are coming to you! St. Timothy's has offered to open their place to all adult learners who need their GED. Ms. Patti from Estill County Adult Learning Center will be there Wednesday, June 11 and Wednesday, June 18 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Please share this news and come join us for ways to work on your GED closer to home. Lunch will be provided. Call and let us know if you can make it. For more information, call (606) 723-7323.

## ESTILL COUNTY FAIR

### BABY SHOW

JULY 1, 2014  
 7:00 P.M.

**Admission:**  
**\$10 For Ages 3 and Up**  
*(Only contestant will be admitted free)*

*All entries must be Estill County Residents. If your residential home falls within the Estill County Lines - You're eligible for the Baby Show.*

**Pre-register at the Extension Office**  
 (76 Golden Court)  
**June 16 - July 1**  
**Registration at Fair Grounds**  
**July 1 - 5:30-7:00 P.M.**

**Boy & Girl Classes:**  
*(Age of child as of July 1, 2014)*  
 Birth up to 6 Months Old  
 Six Months up to One (1) Year Old  
 Baby One (1) Year Old  
 Baby Two (2) Years Old  
 Baby Three (3) Years Old  
 Baby Four (4) Years Old

**For further information, contact Tammy Cole 723-4326 or Susan Lay 726-9989**

**A trophy will be given to each boy and girl class champion. All contestants will receive a blue ribbon and a silver dollar**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
*(If you don't have a phone, give number of nearest neighbor or relative)*  
 Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year

*Bring or mail with \$10 entry fee to the Estill County Extension Office, 76 Golden Court, Irvine, KY 40336*

## ESTILL COUNTY FAIR

### LITTLE MISTER & MISS ESTILL COUNTY PAGEANT

TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2014  
 (Immediately following the Pre-Teen Pageant)

**Admission: \$10 for ages 3 and up**  
 All entries **must** be Estill County Residents.  
*You're eligible if your residential home falls within the Estill County Lines.*  
**Entry fee \$10.00.**

Due to state rules - Contestants will wear and be judged in age appropriate attire in the pageant. The winners of the Little Mister and Miss Pageant are not allowed to compete again. Little Mister and Miss Estill County will be competing at the Kentucky State Fair as a couple. All contestants will receive a silver dollar and blue ribbon. The winner receives a crown, banner and trophy.

**Committee:**  
 Tammy Cole, Chair; Susan Lay, Co-Chair; Eidy Cole, Lezley Cole, Pearl Tyree, Kenneth Rice, and Cheryl Stepp

**For further information, call:**  
 Tammy Cole - 723-4326 or Susan Lay - 726-9989

**Boys and Girls**  
**Ages: Five through Seven -**  
 Must have reached his/her 5th birthday by midnight, June 30, 2014 and cannot be 8 years old by June 30, 2014

**Practice Date -**  
 Sunday, June 29th, 7:00 p.m. at the Fair Grounds

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Fee \$10.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Signature/Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
*(If you don't have a phone, give number of nearest neighbor or relative)*  
 Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year

*Clip this form and bring or send to the Extension Office, 76 Golden Court, Irvine, Kentucky 40336 by June 27th. Make checks payable to: Estill County Fair Board. You may also bring the form and \$10 entry fee to the practice at the Fair Grounds on Sunday, June 29th, 7:00 P.M.*

