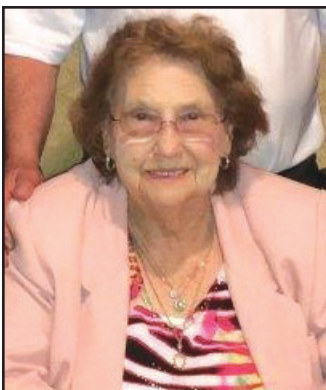




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Alabama fugitive arrested in Estill

An Alabama fugitive was arrested July 10 in Estill County by Sheriff Gary Freeman.

James John Burns, 49, has been living on South Irvine Road. He is wanted in Cullman, Alabama on three charges.

A complaint charging Burns with unlawfully possessing a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia was issued last November 15.

That complaint states that methamphetamine or oxycodone hydrochloride was found in his possession. It also states that Burns had scales and/or straws and/or foil with residue in his possession.

Bond was set for these two charges at \$6,500.

Burns appeared in Estill District Court on July 16. He waived his right to an extradition hearing. District judge Bo Leach scheduled a review of Burns' case for August 13. If Alabama does not pick up Burns within a certain period of time, Judge Leach will release him from custody.

A capias warrant was issued for Burns on the third charge, criminal trespass third. The warrant was issued June 10, 2014 because Burns had failed to appear in court.

That warrant states that Burns may post a \$500 bond on that charge or pay a fine of \$300 and \$120 court costs.

Man charged with burglary

An Estill man was arrested for second degree burglary by Deputy Doc Morris early last Thursday.

The citation states that Wayne Scott Cornett, 46, went to 10 Crabtree Lane, Irvine. It adds the “mother” would not open the door for Cornett and told him to leave.

According to the citation, Cornett kicked the front door open. The citation says that Cornett then assaulted Vicky Cornett. Deputy Morris said that Vicky Cornett had a busted lip.

The mother told the deputy that Wayne Scott Cornett did not live at that address.

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- Ruth Gumm, 67
- Beulah Hall, 93
- Patricia Leslie, 69
- Barbara Mainous, 81
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Piper Samples, daughter of Jason and Judy Samples, portrayed the captain in a skit called, “Captain, O Captain” during a performance by children who attended the River City Players Children’s Drama Camp last week.

Woman stopped for DUI had pills in possession

An Estill county woman faces numerous charges after a traffic stop by Irvine Police late Friday evening.

Off-duty officer John Sturniolo got behind a vehicle in Madison County and observed it cross the center line and drive on the shoulder of the road many times.

As the suspect vehicle and the officer arrived near the Sand Hill Road turn-off, Sturniolo said the woman’s vehicle turned sharply to the left, way before the road turn-off.

During this time, Sturniolo called Officer Karl Rifembark, who was on duty, and advised him of the situation.

Rifembark said he saw the woman’s vehicle on the west side shoulder of the road and facing east. He initiated a traffic stop.

The woman failed field sobriety tests. A

blood test was taken.

Rifembark said the woman gave permission for IPD to search the vehicle. The officer said an oxycodone and two xanax pills were located. There were reportedly several open/empty beer cans in the car.

The owner of the vehicle said the driver would not return it to him, and he had been asking her multiple times to return it.

The woman was identified as Cynthia Henry, 29, of Kiskey Branch, Irvine. She was charged with careless driving, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, operating on a suspended/revoked license, possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in vehicle, possession of a controlled substance both first and third degrees, and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Man breaks in cars at hospital for gas money

A Lee County man faces many criminal charges after cars were broken into while parked at Marcum & Wallace Hospital on July 18 and 19.

Irvine Police Officer John Sturniolo interviewed Kenneth Durbin, 44, of Beattyville at the Irvine Police Station on Sunday, July 20.

The citation says that Durbin admitted to breaking into vehicles in the hospital parking lot on July 18 and 19.

The citation says that Durbin also stated he had sold the items he took from

the vehicles to unnamed individuals in Beattyville.

He also admitted to melting down jumper cables to sell the copper.

The report says that Durbin needed the money to buy gasoline to transport his sick wife (girlfriend).

The Irvine Police Department impounded Durbin’s vehicle.

Durbin was charged with criminal mischief third degree; criminal trespass third degree; four counts of theft by unlawful taking from auto over \$500; and tampering with physical evidence.

Deputy says men sold 4 appliances they did not own

Two Estill County men now face two counts each of theft by unlawful taking.

The two men were identified as Mike Murphy, 39, of 926 Cow Creek Road, Ravenna and Jeremy Tipton, 37, of 275 Grindstone Road, Irvine.

Deputy Doc Morris said the two men removed a Whirlpool washer and dryer from the residence at 926 Cow Creek Road on May 7, 2014.

The appliances belonged to Carolyn Murphy and were removed without her permission, according to court records.

The deputy states the two men sold the appliances for \$80.00 to Sammy King.

Then on May 22, the two men removed a stove and refrigerator from the same rental property. Those items belonged to the landlord, Marshal McIntosh.

According to court records, Murphy and Tipton sold the stove and refrigerator to Earl Kelly, owner of Ajets. The stove and refrigerator were valued at over \$500.00.

Murphy was also charged with two counts of possession of a forged instrument, second degree

The citation states that on June 16, Murphy cashed two checks on the account of Carolyn Murphy for \$35.00 and \$45.00. It adds that Carolyn Murphy did not sign the checks.



Pictured above are the winners in the Military Missions pageant held at the National Guard Armory on Saturday afternoon. Contestants competed in five classes from newborn to 18 years of age. The contestants and family members brought in over 400 items to be given to the military.

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