

Six Estill Graduates Named Jeff Green Scholars



Jacquee Dalton Cantrell

Six 2014 graduates of Estill County High School have been named Senator Jeff Green Scholars by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). To earn this honor, a student must have a 4.0 grade point average each year of high school



Kaitlyn Emmaline Frederick

and at least a 28 composite on the ACT. These students have also earned \$2,500 a year in Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) awards. If they keep their grades up in college, they will have \$10,000 to use toward a



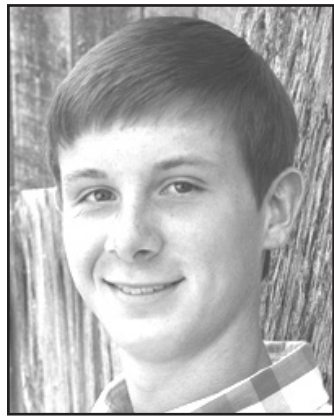
Ethan Thomas Hall

four-year degree. ECHS graduates who earned this honor were Jacquee Cantrell, Kaitlyn Frederick, Ethan Hall, Sydney Richardson, Michael Witt and Kayla Wolpert. The designation honors the late state Sen. Jeff Green of Mayfield, who



Sydney Richardson

served in the Kentucky General Assembly from 1992 to 1997. KEES and other Kentucky student aid programs are administered by KHEAA. KEES awards are funded by net Kentucky lottery proceeds and may be used at most col-



Michael Andrew Witt

leges and universities in Kentucky. In some cases, the award may be used at an out-of-state school if the major the student is pursuing is not available in Kentucky. No application is necessary for KEES awards. To learn how to plan and



Kayla Danielle Wolpert

prepare for higher education, go to www.gotocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.



A butterfly was designed in West Irvine's Monarch Butterfly Way Station by Barbara Welch, her daughter, Susan Tipton, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Tipton. Mrs. Welch is a member of the Four Seasons Garden Club, which will be maintaining the waystation.

Revive River Drive Set For This Weekend

by **CATHY DAWES**
The Estill County Tribune

The third annual Revive River Drive is set for this weekend in downtown Irvine. Even though a storm blew through town last year during the annual event, there was still a huge turnout as people of all ages gathered on the short strip of roadway to cruise and reminisce with old friends.

Organizers of the event, Nivra Lainhart, Staci York, along with Joe Crawford, have made a few changes to

the event this year. All music will be held in the parking lot at Citizens Guaranty Bank. The lineup of local musicians include Kevin Shearer and the Dirty Windows, Manitoba Rock N Rolla, Jordan Allen and the Bellweathers, and the Jenkins Twins. This will be the third year that Jeremiah Floyd and his group Manitoba Rock N Rolla has performed during Revive River Drive.

One hundred t-shirts have been ordered and will be sold in the parking lot at the bank. The online store will

be open for two weeks after the event just in case someone isn't able to get to the bank to purchase their shirt. The bands will also have their merchandise for sell at the same location. The event will be broadcast live on WSKV the entire night so if people would rather cruise they can still listen to the bands' performances on the radio.

York added that this event is good clean fun for the whole family and that they are excited to see everybody.

2 charged with leaving accident scenes

Two Estill residents were recently charged by Irvine Police with leaving the scenes of accidents.

A Ravenna resident was arrested last Wednesday for leaving the scene.

Officer John Sturniolo said that Regina Puckett, 47, had left the scene of an accident. She was contacted by sister and asked to return to the scene.

The officer said Puckett failed field sobriety tests.

Sturniolo charged her with leaving the scene of an accident/hit and run, driving under the influence of drugs, failure to notify DOT of address change, and failure to produce valid insurance card.

Charles Webb, 40, of Northwood Apartments was arrested August 18 on a warrant following a hit and run accident a week earlier.

Officer Sturniolo obtained the warrant. He said that Webb disregarded a crossing guard and almost hit a school bus. The war-

rant adds that Webb's vehicle went off the road and drove around the school bus but nearly hit another vehicle while getting back onto the road.

The warrant goes on to say that Webb disregarded another crossing guard and left the scene at a high rate of speed, heading north on Winchester Road.

The warrant says this created a substantial danger of death or serious physical injury to others.

Sturniolo said the vehicle was located at Northwood Apartments #24. When contacting the defendant, he said that Webb jumped out of a second story window to flee.

Webb is charged with no operators license, four counts of wanton endangerment first degree, leaving scene of accident, fleeing or evading police on foot, and two counts of disregarding stop sign.

Webb pleaded not-guilty to all charges during his arraignment on August 22. A preliminary hearing was held on Monday.

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Two Irvine residents complained about drainage problems to the city council during Monday's meeting.

Tammy Lynch brought a piece of grate from a drainage ditch in her yard to the council meeting.

She hesitated to complain but said she was concerned about the safety of her small grandchildren around the grate.

The grate is 53 feet long and about 9 3/4 inches wide.

"It goes across her driveway and out into her yard," stated Mayor Ernest Farmer.

He suggested removing the grate, but Councilman Tobo Bryant said the city needed to fix what was there.

"It's just like a lake in my driveway," said Jim Walters of High Street. He asked the mayor and council to divert the water away from his residence.

The Irvine council agreed to keep the same property tax rate as last year of .4252 and the tangible tax rate of .6000 will remain the same.

Bryant had asked the mayor if the city could lower the tangible rate. Farmer

said the city will be able to afford to lower the rate in the future.

The next Twin City Cruzers cruise-in will be September 13. Revive River Drive is this Saturday evening in Irvine.

Farmer announced city hall will be closed Monday for Labor Day. There will be no garbage pick-up.

He suggested the council amend their Alcoholic Beverage Ordinances from a 70/30 split to a 50/50 split. The first number is the amount of food sales while the second number is percentage of alcohol sales.

Beattyville man is charged by IPD with impersonating police officer

A Beattyville man was charged Thursday night with impersonating a police officer in Irvine.

Officer John Sturniolo wrote that he observed Ronald Eugene Abney, 48, driving recklessly on River Drive. The officer said that vehicle was traveling west at 75 mph in a 35 mph zone. He adds the man was also driving in the center lane.

Sturniolo said he engaged his lights and sirens and followed the vehicle north onto Court Street where it

traveled at 51 mph in a 35 mph zone.

The officer added the driver failed to stop for stop signs at Broadway and Court and Court and Francis Streets.

The vehicle came to a stop at Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital. Sturniolo said that Abney told him he was a federal agent.

Abney was charged with two counts of wanton endangerment (two passengers in vehicle), two counts

of wanton endangerment of a police officer, fleeing or evading police first degree, impersonating a police officer (peace officer), reckless driving, improper lane usage/vehicle to keep right except to pass, disregarding stop sign, and speeding.

Abney was arraigned in Estill District Court on Friday, August 22. He pleaded not-guilty to all charges.

His bond was set at \$5,000 cash. He will return for a preliminary hearing on Sept. 10.

Police Activity Report

Injury Accident

Two persons were injured during a two vehicle wreck August 18 on the Winchester Road.

According to a report in the sheriff's office, Darren Smith of Clay City was pulling out of a driveway at 7725 Winchester Road.

Smith's 99 Toyota Camry entered the northbound lane and collided with a vehicle driven by Jordan Dixon of Irvine. Dixon was driving a 97 Ford F150.

Dixon's vehicle left the road and struck a fence on the other side of the road.

Smith and a passenger, Amanda Byrd, of Irvine were transported to Marcum & Wallace Hospital for treatment of injuries. Dixon was reportedly not injured.

Both vehicles sustained moderate to severe damages to the front.

DUI Arrest

Officer John Sturniolo said he stopped Melissa Gibson, 37, of McKee, for having only one headlight at Shell Mart. He said the driver appeared extremely nervous and avoided eye contact.

He added that she failed field sobriety tests. Gibson reportedly told the officer that she had taken a lortab that morning and another that evening. She also reportedly told him that she had morphine and xanax in her system. Blood was drawn at Marcum & Wallace Hospital.

Sturniolo said she had two xanax pills, hydrocodone pills, cut straws with white powder residue in her possession.

Gibson was charged with one headlight, driving under the influence of drugs, failure to notify DOT of address change, two counts of possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Driving on Suspended

Captain Adrian McKinney said he stopped Anthony E. Scenters, 50, of 614 Broadway on Saturday because he knew that Scenters' operators license had been suspended due to a prior DUI.

McKinney said a syringe, spoon, and a white tablet were

found. The pill was identified as gabapenton.

Scenters was charged with operating on suspended/revoked operators license, possession of drug paraphernalia, and illegal possession of a legend drug.

Twice arrested for AI

An Estill County man was arrested twice in three days last week for being intoxicated in a public place.

Timothy Charlton, 52, of Winston Road, Irvine was charged with alcohol intoxication just after midnight on August 20.

Irvine Officer Karl Rifensbark said that Charlton was laying in the middle of the road at the intersection of Hood Ave. and Turner Ave. He added that Charlton failed field sobriety tests.

Rifensbark also served a fugitive warrant on Charlton. That warrant was issued by Pike County District Judge K. Friend on August 23, 2014. Charlton was charged with alcohol intoxication first and second offenses in Pike County. The defendant was allowed to pay \$200.00 on the Pike warrant.

Then early August 22, Charlton was charged by Irvine Officer Sam Hensley with alcohol intoxication, third or greater offense in 12 months.

Officer Hensley was responding to a 911 call to 719 Broadway.

The resident told Hensley that Charlton was not welcome there because he was intoxicated and creating a disturbance.

The officer said that several neighbors were outside due to the disturbance. He added that Charlton was so heavily intoxicated that he could not walk without assistance.

During this time, a cell phone and \$20 were reportedly to have been stolen from the residence. During a jail search, IPD said the stolen cell phone was recovered from Charlton's boot.

Charlton was then charged with receiving stolen property under \$500.

Arrest Warrants

Three arrest warrants were three different counties were

served on 20-years-old James H. Yates on Thursday, August 21 by Irvine Officer John Sturniolo.

Yates' address is either Lilly Ferry Road, Irvine or in Lexington.

A warrant signed by Estill Circuit Judge Tom Jones on July 2, 2014 says that Yates was indicted in Estill County for first degree burglary and being a persistent felony offender.

Powell Circuit Judge F. Fletcher signed a warrant for Yates' arrest on July 1, 2014. Yates was indicted in Powell County for theft by unlawful taking or disposition of an auto and criminal mischief, first degree. Judge Fletcher set Yates' bond in Powell County at \$25,000 full cash.

Fayette Circuit Judge J. Ismael Jr. signed a bond for Yates on July 25, 2014.

Yates is charged in Fayette County with second degree forgery, criminal possession of a forged instrument, and theft by deception.

The warrant says Yates failed to appear for a court hearing in Fayette.

911 Call

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In Estill County, Spicer was found guilty of traffic offenses on September 21, 2011. District Judge William Leach said that Spicer failed to appear in court on April 17, 2013.

On Saturday, IPD charged Spicer with drug paraphernalia buy/possess. It says that he had a small cut off portion of straw with white residue in his pocket.

Willis was also charged in connection with two controlled buys that were made prior to execution of the search warrant.

Willis was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, first offense for each of the controlled buys.

Sgt. Michael Gross wrote that he oversaw a controlled drug buy from Willis on August 14 and Aug. 15. Gross said on August 14, a 30 mg oxycodone was purchased for \$40 and on August 15, a 15 mg oxycodone was bought for \$20.