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## Robber ties up two employees

Two female employees at Cash in A Dash were tied up after being robbed last Wednesday.

One of the employees was able to escape and call 911.

Kentucky State Police said the man entered the business at around 11 a.m. and produced a handgun. He took an undisclosed amount of cash.

The man was described as a white male, approximately 6 feet to 6 feet three inches tall and weighing about 250 pounds. He was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and a cap.

When the robbery was reported, officers from several departments responded. As Irvine Police Captain Adrian McKinney was crossing the Irvine bridge, his vehicle driven by collided with another vehicle. This shut down the Irvine bridge for a while.

No description has been given of a vehicle or the direction it left in. Sheriff Gary Freeman was seen heading north on the Winchester Road with his blue lights on.

The sheriff declined to say if a burglary at Square Deal Pawn Shop was related to the robbery last Wednesday. Cash in a Dash buys gold, but it is not known if any gold was taken.

The burglary at Square Deal, also on the Richmond Road, occurred just after 5 p.m. on October 16.

Deputy Doc Morris said the owner, Keith Tipton, had just closed his business and was heading to Richmond when the burglar alarm went off. The intruder had forced open a door.

Morris said the burglar stole a container of gold jewelry that had been pawned.

The sheriff's office is asking the public for their help. If you had jewelry on pawn at Square Deal, you are asked to come to the sheriff's office with a description of that jewelry and bring your pawn ticket, if possible.

Morris said the sheriff's department does have a suspect in this case.

Deputy Ethan Jordan is heading up the investigation at Square Deal.

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## IPD arrests 1 in home invasion

The Irvine Police Department arrested a man for burglary on Sunday morning.

The arrested man was identified as Timothy Lyle Thacker, 29, of Cantrill Street, Irvine.

Officer Sam Hensley said that Thacker was visiting at 500 George Street, Irvine with several individuals present. Thacker was told to leave after allegedly consuming alcohol and causing problems with other guests.

Thacker left the residence around 9 p.m. on Saturday, and witnesses said they last saw him walking down the street toward his home.

The officer said that Thacker returned to the

residence on George Street around 3:20 a.m. Sunday morning. He reportedly kicked the basement door about four times and broke the door. Hensley said that Thacker then forced his way into the home.

The officer said that Thacker jumped onto a male that was laying in the bed and began assaulting him. The male fought back, and Thacker ran away.

Hensley said that Thacker was arrested at his residence a short time later. Thacker was charged with second degree burglary, a felony, and assault fourth degree, no visible injury.

Thacker's bail has been set at \$5,000 cash.

## WWII vet finally receives his medals



Above: Honor Guard Commander Bill Stewart pins a WWII medal on almost 91 year old Claude Jones, who never had received his medals after the war ended. Jones' grandson Ben Lay is at left. Right: Jones sat through the veterans service on Saturday after being decorated with his medals. Below is his brick on the memorial wall at Veterans Memorial Park.



It has taken nearly 60 years for a World War II veteran living in Estill County to receive his medals.

Claude Jones will be 91 in January and was decorated during the veterans ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park in Ravenna.

"When the war ended, he was thirteen miles from Berlin," said Jones' grandson.

He was discharged back to New Jersey and then to Indiana before coming home to Kentucky.

Jones was told he would be receiving the medals, but Lay said they somehow got lost in the back-lash.

Lewis Officer, commander of American Legion Post #79, heard from Lay that Jones had never received the medals. Officer is on the Ravenna Council, and Lay's

wife, Susan, is Ravenna city clerk.

Officer went to work obtaining the medals for Jones.

Most veterans services are held at 11 a.m. on the 11th day of the 11th month, but local services were held at 11 a.m. on Saturday to enable the public to attend. Veterans day is not a holiday for most working people.

Bill Stewart, commander of the honor guard, presented Jones with his medals on Saturday. Jones received medals for Good Conduct, four Campaign medals, the Europe - Africa - Mideastern Campaign medal with four bronze stars, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Honorable Services lapel button.

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## Council gets update on constructions

The Ravenna Council was updated on the first phase of a community block development grant that will renovate and build new homes in their city.

Bryan Kirby, administrator of the project, had the council to approve three resolutions to move the project forward.

The resolutions allowed payment for services, hired a surveyor for two properties and a company to demolish

some homes. Both contracts were awarded to the lowest bidders.

Two of the home sites will be surveyed for elevations of the flood plain.

Because some of the new homes are planned for the elderly, Kirby updated the council on what happens when a property owner dies.

He said if a person dies before the five years is up on the mortgage, it reverts to a

relative of a property owner who meets the low to moderate income qualification.

The council voted to donate a Chevy blazer used by the police department to the city of Irvine's police department. Mayor Estine Tipton said that Irvine had donated a police cruiser to Ravenna.

She added that Irvine wanted the Blazer, but it needed repairs.

Fire Chief David Harvey presented a report for the

previous month. The Ravenna fire department had made five runs. On October 4, the fire department responded to calls due to a gas leak and injury accident. On October 6, the fire department removed a tree which had fallen across Main Street. On the 8th, a controlled burn was reported, and on the 10th, the fire department responded to Poplar Street because a pilot light had gone out.

## Obituaries

- "Jack" Howe, 86
  - Lucille Hurley, 67
  - Virgie McIntosh, 80
  - JoAnn Patrick, 64
  - Lorena Scenters, 86
  - Robert Street, 89
  - Thelma Watson, 93
  - Jess D. Wilson, 96
  - Malachi Wilson, 38
  - Michael Woosley, 61
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The Estill County High School Marching Engineers were recognized Thursday evening in the high school auditorium for finishing in second place in the state's 2A Class. A reception followed

speeches by Principal Arthur Ballard, Band Director Jason Bowles, and Supt. Bert Hensley.

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