



Tam's Front Porch Ponderings
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Corky and I ventured to Richmond last night to do a little Christmas shopping. I thought since it was a Monday, it wouldn't be so crowded...well I thought wrong! Just getting to Richmond was a challenge! As we approached the Blue Grass Army Depot we could see a string of headlights

stretching as far as the eye could see. "Are they evacuating Richmond and we weren't notified?" Corky said out loud. It was about 5:55 and I guess it must have been everyone making their way home from work. "I didn't realize there were this many people in Irvine!" I laughed as we passed car after car heading East. We were just about to the old Waco Carpet Outlet when suddenly a truck darted out of the oncoming line of traffic and headed right for us! It was like it was in slow motion, I didn't scream but I remember saying very loudly, "Corky look out!" He had seen the truck at the same time I did and quickly cut the wheel to the right, of course this freaked out the car next to us and he starts blowing the horn (like that's gonna help) and the truck whizzed by our Tahoe

with not a hair to spare! "I see now how someone can get hit, head on, while on a straight road!" Corky commented as we both tried to catch our breath. My heart was pounding out of my chest and my ears roared, it was probably one of the most frightening things I have ever experienced.

We carefully drove on through the bumper to bumper traffic and inched our way towards the shopping meca of everyone's dreams, Walmart! Cars were darting in and out of traffic like a blizzard was coming and they needed to get a gallon of milk and a loaf of bread before it hit! I breathed a sigh of relief when we finally parked, locked the truck and safely made it to the sidewalk without an incident in the cross walk! I only needed to check on a few items and pick up some

spices to make Bethel's Spice Tea, but I grabbed a buggy anyway. Big mistake! I thumpity thump thumped down about three aisles then ditched the buggy with square wheels! I could carry what I needed without dragging a buggy around with me, you could hear me coming from EKU's campus pushing that thing! I weaved around people and tried to get to the baking aisle, it was hard since so many folks were traveling in Walmart scooting buggies and they were stopped in the middle of the aisles, just sitting there. I suppose it's important to rest every now and then, it's really hard work NOT walking around a store and steering your scooter into everyone's ankles. But I made it to the spices! Not that it did me any good, no whole allspice, not even a slot for it. I found the whole cloves but no allspice. Next

the coffee aisle to pick up some creamer and over to produce for Cuties, no Cuties to be found. Corky found me mumbling among the mangos and that's when I remembered dog food, all the way at the back of the store towards gardening, at the opposite end from where we were. I needed a buggy for that and grabbed an empty one parked in Menswear and scurried on my way. People were standing in the aisles preaching, I'm serious! A man was spreading the Word in the center aisle of Walmart and Praise the Lord, that's a wonderful thing and I'm all for it, just move it over out of my way cause there's dog food to be had!

Finally in check out, I placed my items in the bags I had brought from home (this drives the Walmart Associates CRAZY) and tried to get out of the store without pulling a 'Lewis

Edward'. (You recall what that is, that's where my Daddy just falls right out of my mouth, when my patience is thin and my nerves are shot and there's only 3 checkout lanes open two weeks and two days before Christmas.) We unloaded our things into the truck and Corky started up the Tahoe and slipped it into reverse. THAT'S when the timing chain began to squeal. You know...on the truck that we just spent the kids inheritance on, to have fixed? "Did you get everything you needed?" Corky asked gritting his teeth.

"Yes, I'm good, let's just get home safely", I replied, feeling ever so sorry for this man who had done everything in his power to fix the problem belt over the weekend. I didn't have the heart to tell him I needed to go to the bookstore!

I'll just do that...NEXT Monday night!

ESTILL LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

246 Main Street, Irvine, KY – Call 723-3030

December 15-19, 2014

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mountain Crest Old Fox Road Furnace Jct. Millers Creek Cow Creek	Winston Trotting Ridge Sandhill	Wisemantown Station Camp Red Lick Crooked Creek	Spout Springs Hudson Mill Rd New Fox Road Hargett-Parvin Road	South Irvine P/K Center

"Mommie & Me" and Storytime Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. & Fridays, 10:30 a.m.

ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
December 15	December 16	December 17	December 18	December 19

SOUTH IRVINE BREAKFAST

Mini Cinnis Roll Apple	Cocoa Puffs Cereal Toast, Pears	Pancake Porky, Syrup Applesauce	Funnel Cakes Blueberries	Cin. or Choc. Muffin Pineapples
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SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES

Chicken Pattiew/Bun Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Applesauce	Cheese Pizza Corn Steamed Broccoli Pineapple Tidbits	Chili w/ Crackers Grilled Cheese Sandwich Carrots w/ Dip Oranges	Turkey on Bun Doritos Pork & Beans California Blend Vegetables, Pears	Pizza Munchable Marinara Sauce Carrots w/ Dip Mozzarella Cheese Raisins
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ESTILL SPRINGS BREAKFAST

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ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES

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WEST IRVINE BREAKFAST

Breakfast Pizza Apple	Scooby Doo Snacks Yogurt, Cantaloupe	Mini Pancakes w/ Syrup Applesauce	Lucky Charms Cereal Toast, Peaches	Poptart, Fruit Loops Mandarin Oranges
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WEST IRVINE LUNCHES

Chicken Pattie on Bun Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Applesauce	Cheese Pizza Corn Steamed Broccoli Pineapple Tidbits	Taco w/ Shell Refried Beans Lettuce & Tomato Shredded Cheese Sidekicks	Ham w/ Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Gravy Cherry Crisp	Pepperoni Munchable Marinara Sauce Carrots w/ Dip Mozzarella Cheese Raisins
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ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Breakfast Pizza or Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Brown Sugar Cinnamon Poptart Apple	Scrambled Eggs w/ Toast or Cocoa Puffs Strawberry Poptart Pears	Pancake Porky w/ Syrup or Lucky Charms Brown Sugar Cinnamon Poptart Applesauce	Assorted Cereal Bars Frosted Flakes Strawberry Poptart Mandarin Oranges	Blueberry Waffles w/ Syrup Apple Cinnamon Cheerios, Brown Sugar Cinnamon Poptart, Pineapple
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ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH

Chicken Tenders or Buffalo Tenders w/ Texas Toast Sweet Potatoes Green Beans, Apple Mandarin Oranges	Stuffed Crust Pizza or Taco Snack Romaine Salad Corn Pears Pineapple	Hamburger or Mr. Rib on Bun Lettuce & Tomato Potato Wedges Peaches Apple	Ham w/ Roll Mashed Potatoes Gravy, Peas Pears Cherry Crisp Ice Cream	Hot Dog on Bun or Deli Turkey on Bun Chips Pork & Beans Red Pepper Slice Oranges, Trop. Fruit
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ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Lucky Charms, Cin. Toast Crunch, Apple Cin. Cherrios, Poptart, Cereal Bars, Yogurt Apples & Oranges	Trix, Frosted Flakes Poptart, Cereal Bars Dutch Waffle Ch. or RB Yogurt Apples & Oranges	Cocoa Puffs, Fruit Loops, Poptart Cereal Bars, Yogurt Sunrise Hot Bread Apples & Oranges	Lucy Charms, Cin- namon Toast Crunch Poptart, Cereal Bar Sausage & Biscuit Yogurt, Apples/Org.	Honeynut Cheerios Reese Puffs, Poptart Cereal Bars, Mini BBor Choc Muffins, Yogurt Apples & Oranges
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ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH

Pork Chop w/ Bun Ravioli w/ Bread Stick Nor. Blend Veggies Romaine w/ Ranch Peaches, Fruit SC Cheese Pizza	Chicken Pot Pie or Fish w/ Bun Steamed Broccoli Mashed Potatoes Mandarin Oranges Sidekicks SC Cheese Pizza	Soft Shell Beef Taco or Chicken Fajita Lettuce, Tomato Cheese, Sour Cream, Salsa Refried Beans	Bosco Sticks Pepperoni Calzone Marinara/Sour Cream Carrots w/ Dip Fruit, Peaches SC Cheese Pizza	Ham w/ Roll Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Cooked Apples Pineapples Ice Cream Sandwich SC Cheese Pizza
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The Real McCoy
Antique & Vendor Market
5191 Richmond Road
723-4846
 Bring your children to see Santa
Sat., Dec. 13th at 11:00am
 Get your picture with Santa for \$5.00



Lucas Barnes Inducted into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is pleased to announce that Lucas Barnes of Irvine, Ky., was recently initiated into Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines. Barnes was initiated at Eastern Kentucky University.

Barnes is among approximately 32,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors, having at least 72 semester hours, are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate de-

grees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff, and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine and headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline hon-

or society. The Society has chapters on more than 300 college and university campuses in North America and the Philippines. Its mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

Estill School News

Friday, December 12th, 4-8pm

Elite Jumpers "Parents' Night Out"

The Estill Elite Jumpers are hosting a "Parents' Night Out" for K-8th grade students on December 12th from 4-8 p.m. at West Irvine Intermediate. The cost for each student is \$30 which includes pizza, drink, snack, craft, and hours of fun! Please prepay by December 8th. Money and student's name can be dropped off at West Irvine Intermediate!

Letters to Santa,

There's still time for children ages 0 to 17 to send a letter to Santa. Just write the message below and be sure we receive it no later than **Monday, December 15th** in order that it can be published in our special Christmas Edition on **Wednesday, December 17th.** **But hurry! Santa can't wait much longer!**

Dear Santa,



Parents' Names _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

Mail Santa Letters to: The Estill County Tribune
 6135 Winchester Road, Irvine, KY 40336
 or send by e-mail to <News@EstillTribune.Com>