

To Fish or Not Fish!



Tam's Front Porch Ponderings
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When I think of fishing, I recall digging night crawlers with my Daddy and heading to the river. The pole I used was simple enough, I threw out the line and when my bobber bobbed, I reeled in a fish. Well—I tried to reel in a fish, most times I just jerked the pole out of the water with nothing on it and if you didn't duck, I was liable to hit you with my hook. I didn't fish a lot with Daddy though, he said I made too much noise and scared the fish away. I think it was his way of saying nicely, "You talk too much!". He had one tackle box and a couple of poles propped up in the corner of the shed. There was a minner (minnow) bucket and a stringer and I'm pretty sure that was it as far as his inventory of fishing equipment went. I don't remember ever going fishing in a boat, I'm sure he probably

did, I just wasn't with him. Evidently fishing was different back in the 'olden days' than it is now. Corky has always been a deer hunter but for the past couple of summers he's tried his hand at fishing and seems to really enjoy it. The last time we were at Lake Cumberland, he took me along with him and after dragging numerous fishing poles from the truck, three tackle boxes, a fold up stool and a cooler to the water, he handed me a pole. It was an odd pole, really long and flimsy and I stood there just holding it. "Go ahead and cast", he instructed me. "It's not ready", I replied. "What do you mean, 'It's not ready'? Throw your line out and sit on the stool, I'll sit on the cooler", he pointed towards the stool. With a confused look on my face, I squinted up my nose and said again firmly, "It's not ready!" He was about to lose his patience with me, (imagine that) he took the pole from me and asked "What seems to be the problem?" "There's no bobber", I said. "No What?" he looked amused. "You know, a bobber, the little red and white thing that lets me know I have a fish", I insisted. "We don't use a bobber, just cast it and wait for the

tug on the line, you'll feel it", he instructed. I didn't like that, didn't like that at all! I wanted the little red and white bobber to watch. I sat on the stool for what seemed like an eternity and didn't feel a tug. I finally reeled it in and my bait was gone. "See?" I wagged the end of my pole at him, "my bait is gone! I didn't know I had a fish 'cause I ain't got a bobber!" That was last August and the last time I got to go fishing with Corky! Now it's January and you've never seen such a commotion going on in my garage. Corky has been sawing and hammering and dragging that little John boat of his, in and out of the garage. He hammers awhile, then climbs into the boat and sits for awhile, gazing out at the open field. I watched him take all his fishing poles and lay them in groups in the bed of his truck. Next came the tackle boxes, a big one, a medium sized one and then a couple of smaller ones. Why on earth are we preparing for a fishing trip in JANUARY!? We won't be going to the lake for at least two or three more months. I eventually stuck my head out the back door into the garage. "What ya doin'?", I asked very nonchalant. "Putting a floor in my boat". He began to show me how the floor would be

like a platform and make it easier to use some kind of a troll motor. The only trolls I knew of were the ones I'd had growing up. One had green hair, the other had orange. What did trolls have to do with fishing? I just kept my mouth shut and tried to understand all the fish lingo that was being thrown at me. Nodding and saying "oh I see" a whole bunch seemed to pacify him, or at least made me look like I understood what he was talking about. "This is really great", I said admiring his handiwork. Looking around at all the stuff he had strewn about, I asked very quietly, "But why are we doing this in January?" His eyes got big and he looked at me like I had three heads, "There's a lot that goes into preparing for a day on the Lake! You just don't grab a pole and a can of worms, you need to be ready, you have to check your lines and...", my eyes glassed over then and I went back to nodding. I'd lost all interest in the subject but somewhere along the line, I heard him say something like, "need to run over to Wal-Mart and get a new tackle box for my crappie

bait, you wanna go?" Another tackle box?!? I could see FIVE from where I was standing! I just nodded and reached for my coat. "You need anything while we're out?" he asked. "Yep", I said, "bobbers!"

"Fine! I'll get you some bobbers", he laughed. Who knew you couldn't just grab a pole, dig a few night crawlers and head to the river anymore? Boy, fishing sure has changed since 'the olden days'!

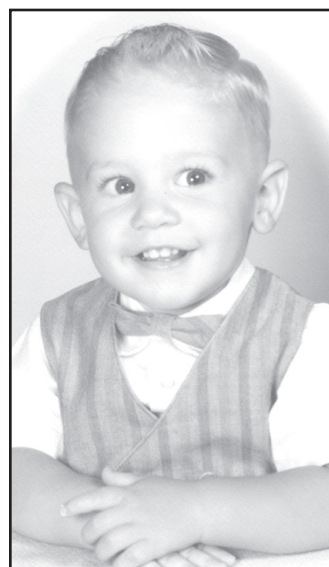


Tammy's first fish, July 1963

4 students among 6,000+ named to UK Dean's List

For the first time, more than 6,000 students have made the University of Kentucky Dean's List. UK has released its Dean's List for the Fall 2014 semester, including four students from Estill County. A record high 6,366 students were recognized for their outstanding academic performance. That's an increase of nearly 500 since Fall 2013 and nearly 900 more than Spring 2014. To make a Dean's List in one of the UK colleges, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.6 or higher and must have earned 12 credits or more

in that semester, excluding credits earned in pass-fail classes. Some UK colleges require a 3.5 GPA to make the Dean's List. Local students on the UK Dean's List for the fall semester 2014 include: Shelby Arthur, a sophomore majoring in architecture. Kevin Charles Haney, a senior majoring in information communications technology. Emily Elizabeth Horn, a junior elementary education major. Naascha Kae Richardson, a senior biology major.



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Mini Maple Waffles Apples, Juice	Toast, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Grapes	Pop Tarts, Coca Puff Cereal, Fruit Cocktail	Chicken Biscuit Applesauce, juice	Muffin, Pineapple Tidbits, Juice, Milk
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SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES

Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Pear, Milk	Pepperoni Pizza Corn Fresh Broccoli Apple, Milk Ranch Dip	Hamburger on Bun Lettuce & Tomatoes Baked Beans Slaw Peaches, Milk	Pepperoni Calzone Stir Fry Vegetables Cucumber Slices/ Dip, Milk Mandarin Oranges	Chicken Strip Wrap Shredded Lettuce Tomato, Sidekicks Cooked Carrots Baby Bakers
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ESTILL SPRINGS BREAKFAST

Mini Maple Waffles Apples, Juice	Toast, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Grapes	Pop Tarts, Coca Puff Cereal, Fruit Cocktail	Chicken Biscuit Applesauce, juice	Muffin, Pineapple Tidbits, Juice, Milk
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WEST IRVINE BREAKFAST

Mini Maple Waffles Apples, Juice	Toast, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Grapes	Pop Tarts, Coca Puff Cereal, Fruit Cocktail	Chicken Biscuit Applesauce, juice	Blueberry or Banana Muffin, Pineapple Tidbits
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Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Pear, Milk	Pepperoni Pizza Corn Fresh Broccoli Apple, Milk Ranch Dip	Hamburger on Bun Lettuce & Tomatoes Baked Beans Slaw Peaches, Milk	Pepperoni Calzone or Meatball Sub/Bun Stir Fry Vegetables Cucumber Slices Mandarin Oranges	Chicken Strip or Deli Turkey Wrap Let./ Tom/ Sidekicks Cooked Carrots Baby Bakers
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ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Mini Cinnis or Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal, Brown Sugar Cinnamon Pop Tart Apple, Milk Assorted Juice	Scrambled Eggs Toast or Cocoa Puff Cereal Strawberry Pop Tart Peaches Assorted Juice	Pancake Porky w/Syrup or Lucky Charms Cereal Brown Sugar Cinnamon Pop Tart Applesauce	Mini Blueberry Waffles w/syrup or Frosted Flake Cereal Strawberry Pop Tart Fresh Oranges Juice, Milk	Chocolate or Cinnamon Muffins Apple Cinnamon Cheerios Strawberry Pop Tart Pineapple Tidbits
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ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH

Chicken Tenders or Buffalo Tenders Texas Toast Sweet Potatoes Green Beans, Pears Mandarin Orange	Stuffed Crust cheese Pizza or Taco Snax Steamed Broccoli Corn, Pineapple Side Kicks	Hamburger or Mr. Rib on Bun Lettuce & Tomato Potato Wedges Peaches Apples	BBQ Pork on bun or Fish Sticks Mashed Potatoes Steamed Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Pineapple	Hot Dog on Bun or Deli Turkey on Bun WG Popped Crisp Chips, Pork & Beans Tater Tots, Oranges Tropical Fruit
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ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Honey Nut Cheerios Fruit Loops Frosted Flakes Pop Tart Strawberry Banana or Cherry Yogurt Apple & Orange	Honey Nut Cheerios Fruit Loops Frosted Flakes Pop Tart Strawberry Banana or Cherry Yogurt Apple and Orange	Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Apple Cinnamon Cheerios Pop Tarts Cereal Bars Sausage Biscuit Yogurt, Fruit	Trix Cereal Fruit Loops Pop Tarts Cereal Bars Chicken Biscuit Raspberry Yogurt Apples & Oranges	Honey Nut Cheerios Reese Puffs Pop Tarts Cereal Bars Mini Blueberry or Mini Choc. Muffins Yogurt, Fruit
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ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH

Spaghetti & Meat sauce, Breadstick or Fish Sandwich Normandy Blend Vegetables, Fruit Romaine Salad w/ Grapes, Tomatoes,	Cheeseburger or Mr. Rib on Bun Lettuce, Tomato Sweet Potato Fries Applesauce Pineapple Juice, Milk Choice	Popcorn Chicken w/Roll or Corn Dog Potato Wedges Slaw Tropical Fruit Side Kicks Juice, Milk Choice	Bosco or Pepperoni Calzone, Marinara Sauce, Corn Carrots w/Dip Pears Apples Juice, Milk Choice	Pork Roast w/Gravy and roll or Pork Chop on Bun Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Cooked Apples Mandarin Oranges
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