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Grand Jury returns 30 indictments

Thirty indictments were returned by the Estill Grand Jury last Tuesday, February 3.

These indictments are printed in the numerical order they were received from the Estill Circuit Clerk's office. An indictment does not mean a person is guilty of a crime. It only means there is possibly enough evidence to convict a person.

Melissa Hall, 48, of Cantrill Street, Irvine was indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance 1st degree, 1st offense and 2nd degree persistent felony offender.

The indictment says that Hall sold 1/2 gram of cocaine for \$50 to a confidential informant on December 26, 2014.

Irvine Officer John Sturniolo conducted the investigation.

Autumn F. Reed, 38, Rose Ridge Road, Irvine, Brian Keith Wolfenbarger, 35, Harvest Drive, Irvine, Rebecca Wolfenbarger,

Harvest Drive, and Heather Jones, 37, Rose Ridge Road, Irvine, were named as co-defendants in an indictment.

The indictment charged R. Wolfenbarger with promoting contraband first degree. It says she introduced suboxone strips into the Estill County Jail on December 3, 2014.

Reed, B. Wolfenbarger, and Jones were charged with complicity to promoting contraband, 1st degree. The indictment says the three acted in complicity to introduce suboxone strips into the Estill County Jail on December 3, 2014.

B. Wolfenbarger was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, second degree, first offense (suboxone strips) and being a second degree persistent felony offender.

Reed, R. Wolfenbarger, and Jones were charged with complicity to trafficking in a

controlled substance, 2nd degree, 1st offense. The indictment states those defendants acted with others to trafficking in suboxone strips on Dec. 3, 2014.

Irvine officers who conducted the investigation were Chief Brad Smith, Captain Adrian McKinney, and Sgt. Michael Gross.

Monica R. Neal, 24, Flinchum Ridge, Irvine, was indicted for public intoxication of a controlled substance and wanton endangerment, first degree.

The indictment says that on November 19, 2014, Neal was too intoxicated to charge for her child and left the child at Irvine Childhood Center without getting medical treatment.

Misty Melton, 21, of High Street, Irvine, was indicted for four counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, first offense; second degree persistent felony of-

fender, promoting contraband 1st degree, possession of a controlled substance, 1st (13 1/2 oxycodone) and 3rd degrees (3 xanax bars).

The indictment says that Melton sold a 30 mg. oxycodone for \$40 to a confidential witness on December 19, 20, 21, and 25, 2014.

She allegedly had 13 1/2 oxycodone and three xanax bars on her while she was booked into the Estill County Jail on Dec. 20. Sturniolo was the investigating officer.

Kristopher O. Estes, 21, of Church Street, Irvine, was indicted for intimidating a participant in a legal process, assault fourth degree (minor injury), and theft of legend drug, first offense.

The indictment says Estes used physical force on Lake Harris on June 5, 2014 to influence her to drop charges against him.

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Shelter opening to be delayed

At Monday's meeting of the Irvine council, an Irvine couple voiced their opposition to an emergency shelter opening in a building owned by River Drive Christian Church.

Bobby Muncie said he lives on Powell Avenue and the back side of his property faces the building to be used as a shelter.

"The last thing we need is a homeless shelter. It's right in my back yard," Muncie stated.

The council, mayor, and city attorney Rodney Davis said this was the first they had heard of a shelter opening up on Kentucky Avenue.

River Drive Christian Church pastor Paul Groves arrived at the meeting later.

He said the purpose of the shelter was to give the homeless a couple of warm meals and a bed.

"We're not going to run a motel. It's just to get people out of immediate danger," he stated.

Groves said they expect from four to 20 homeless people on the nights the temperature falls below freezing. It will not be open on other nights unless there is an emergency.

The shelter is going to be run by Helping Hands, Inc. and not the church, when permits are obtained.

The Irvine Council wants

to hear from Helping Hands and to make sure they have property permits for an Emergency Shelter.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Irvine's late police chief, Bob Walker, and other officers who had fallen in line of duty.

Marty York and Randy Brown were approved to serve on Irvine's Planning and Zoning Board.

Mayor W.J. Noland said he is receiving state bid prices for a street truck. He stated he called the state and the city can use municipal aid funds for two years to purchase the truck but the city has to pay 20 percent of the price.

"I just don't think we can continue paying mechanics," Noland stated.

A privilege license request was approved for Tom and Carol Boyken to open "Booth 300" on River Drive. The Boykens said they will be selling items similar to what you would find at a flea market booth. This includes crafts.

The council had a discussion because the Boykens plan to live in an apartment at the rear of the business. After a discussion, it was decided this was not in conflict with the zoning for the area.

Another privilege license was granted to Anthony Taylor to open a small engine re-



Helping Hands, Inc. may be opening up a shelter in this building on Ky. Avenue behind River Drive Christian Church.

pair shop at 187 Broadway.

The council hired White and Associates as their new auditing firm for \$9,500 per year. The firm will start with the 2010 audit.

Councilwoman Nelle Williams asked about water runoff from Armour Street.

She was told the owner had cleaned up the property and had removed all single-wide trailers but one.

It was also discussed if the property was in the city or not.

Police Chief Brad Smith said the police department has patrolled the area.

Fire Chief Tony Murphy said the line goes 1,250 feet from the middle of Broadway, but adds the fire department fought a forest fire there several years ago. He said there are similar situations in a few other areas of the city.

The mayor said a water ridge had been removed by a company doing blacktop

work. He said the city will put a water ridge back in to see it resolves the water runoff.

He also updated the council on Short Street, the city clock and street lights.

Williams asked that a committee look over the city's privilege license ordinance to make sure it is consistent. She said sometimes the rate involves a number of employees.

The mayor said he expects overtime for the city to cost \$8,500 to \$10,000 for this year's Mushroom Festival. He said that does not include workman's comp on overtime salaries.

He stated that he would like to ask the Mushroom Festival Committee to pay half of that amount.

"We host (the festival) and we pay it," said Williams.

The mayor explained that he did not care to pay the money, but he does not know where the city will get it.



Lady Engineer Kennedy Flynn Scores 3,000 pts.

The game between Estill and Harrison County was stopped on Monday night to recognize Kennedy Flynn for having scored 3,000 points in her high school career. Kennedy is second in the state in scoring with over 27 points per game including 27 on Monday night, which gave her a total of 3,011 so far. Kennedy scored 1,222 in middle school, playing only in grades 6, 7 and 8. She is the daughter of Gina and Greg Flynn.



Taylor Tate Signs With UPIke

Estill County Engineers receiver signed a letter of intent in Pikeville last week to play with the UPIke Bears. See full story on Page 15.

Ravenna continues homes project

by CATHY DAWES Estill County Tribune

Members of the Ravenna city council were informed on Monday night that testing on the homes that are involved in phase 2 of the rehab project throughout the city had tested positive for asbestos. Bryan Kirby of CEDA stated that four of the homes were positive for asbestos and that one home located on 6th

Street had tested positive for lead based paint and asbestos. Kirby said that of three firms that had showed interest in the removal of the asbestos and lead based paint, he felt like Wireman Construction and Excavation LLC was the most qualified for the job.

The total cost of the abatement of asbestos and lead based paint will be approximately \$13,470 for the five homes. Former councilmember Louis Officer questioned Kirby about the removal of the asbestos and where it would be disposed of once it was removed from the homes.

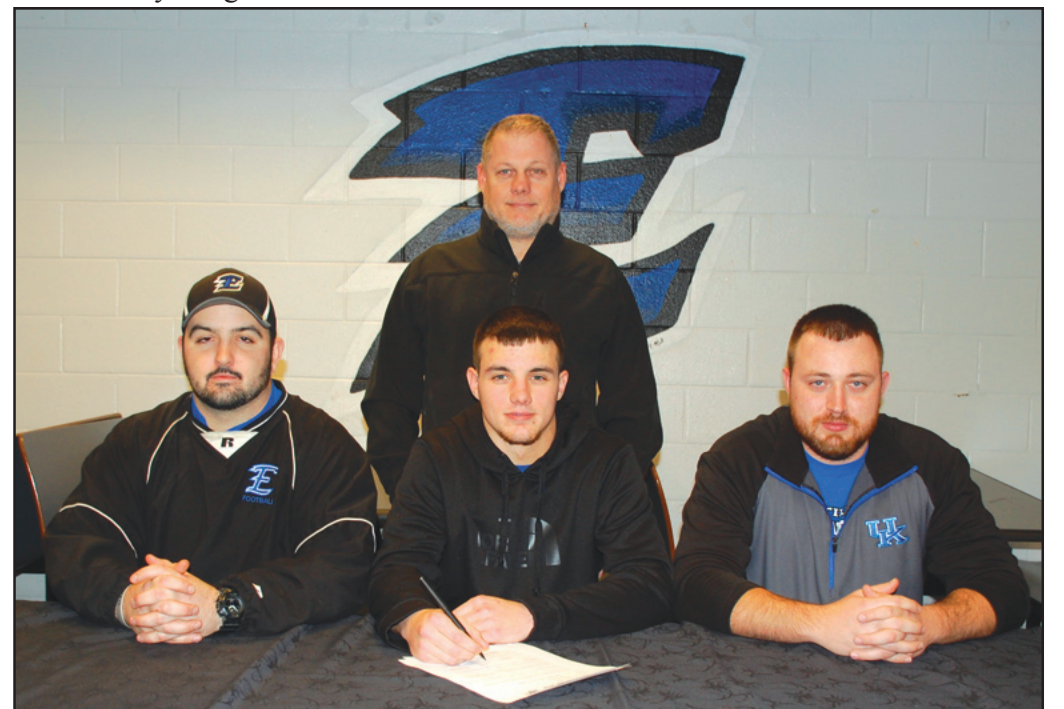
Kirby said that there is a special process in the removal and disposal of the asbestos and that only qualified landfills would accept the

hazardous material. He said he believed that the landfill in Estill County would be able to properly dispose of the materials. He also added that the contractor would be required to provide him with receipts from the disposal site as proof that the hazardous materials were disposed of properly.

Newly elected councilwoman Sharon Snowden questioned the financial statement for the month of January. In December the financial report showed that payroll for city employees totaled \$7,619.91. For the month of January it reflected that \$14,453 had been spent on payroll.

"Where is the difference?" asked Snowden

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Estill Quarterback Trevor Jones Signs With Morehead

The Estill County Engineers outstanding quarterback Trevor Jones signed a letter of intent with the Morehead State University Eagles last week. The full story is on Page 16. Shown with Trevor at the signing are assistant coaches Austin Morris (left) and Drew Barnett (right) along with Trevor's father and coach Mike Jones (back). Trevor is also the son of Tiffany Jones.

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