



Jeff Hix, a member of the Kiwanis Club, bagged up garbage that was picked up in observance of Earth Day.



Members of the Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club picked up litter between Michael's Restaurant in Ravenna to the underpass in observance of Earth day. Pictured, left to right, are Francine Bonny, Tom Bonny, Estine Tipton, Tom Hart, Kathy Watson, Terry Williams and Tom Whitaker.



Kenny Neal and Vernon Muncie registered vehicles Sunday for the Twin City Kruzers car show.

## Irvine City Council Meeting

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Upon further inspection of the map the council was indecisive about whether or not the city garage was included in the area.

Mayor James Gross said that the damage to the garage and its' contents was estimated to be around \$500,000.

Wesley stated that if the garage was not included in the map there was still plenty of time to get it included, because it could take up to a year and half before funds were released from FEMA.

Mayor Gross said that he would contact Wesley and they would discuss the matter in more detail.

An amendment to the budget was made to reflect an increase in \$51,738. Gross said they had received a check last week unexpectedly, and he had paid \$50,000 on the line of credit that the city

has open at Citizens Guaranty Bank.

He added that they have seen increased revenue through garbage rates and have been saving in all areas that they can. He added that if they continue to have extra money he would like to pay more on the garbage truck loan.

Mayor Gross said that he had received a call from Jackie Bennett who works for Kentucky Utilities and was told that shut off notices for those who have not been paying their utility bills would be sent out in the near future. Arrangements can be made on those bills by phone, in person, or online.

Gross said they are still looking for people who are interested in serving on the planning and zoning committee. He said he planned to advertise in the local paper for interested parties for the committee as well as a building inspector.

## FEMA is approved

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Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide.

John Brogan has been named the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal recovery operations in the affected area. Additional designations may be made at a later date if warranted by the results of damage assessments.

Individuals and business owners who sustained losses in the designated area can begin applying for assistance by registering online at [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) or by calling 1-800-621-3362 or 1-800-462-7585 TTY.

## Wagersville church seeks new pastor

The Wagersville Community Church of God will not be having services until further notice.

The church is seeking a Holy Ghost filled pastor, singers and musicians. The church building is completely set up with heat and air, indoor restrooms, pianos, PA system.

Pews are debt free and ready for service. Church is located approximately 7.5 miles from Irvine on Hwy 1209.

## New Drivers

Permits

Karl Cornett, Karlee Crowe, Larry Beckler, and Caleb Ross.

Operator licenses

Robert Estes and Steven Deaton.

Intermediate license

## Concerned Citizens meet

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A portage is being constructed at Lock 12 and is ready for dedication.

Tom and Sarah Hart will write to the Corps of Engineers about the silting problem as evidenced with the recent flooding. We are interested in having the Kentucky River dredged and other long term solutions to the flooding problem. Mary Reed made the motion which was seconded by Francine Bonny; it passed.

Mary Reed reported

that she gets universal trash pick-up from Lee County for \$18 per month; Tom Hart pays \$19 to Rumpke for service here and has to haul his own two miles in toward town. ECC needs to advocate for universal coverage in Estill County.

Several members noted the need for litter education to school children. They also talked about a bottle bill covering all beverage containers. A deposit of 5 cents per container is working in Iowa. The economic

impact of a clean county on business, home construction, and vacations is a major factor in future county progress. Tom Bonny suggested a task force or work group with representatives from the Fiscal Court, schools, civic clubs, churches, and the Cities of Irvine and Ravenna to meet and develop ideas for projects to improve Estill County. Francine Bonny mentioned an "Adopt a Spot" program to encourage citizens to keep a single area clean.



A 1931 vehicle owned by Mike Johnson of Irvine

# Congratulations Class of 2021!



*The Estill County Tribune* will be printing a special section with photos of the 2021 ECHS and home-school graduates on Wednesday, May 26. Please submit color photos of graduates to [news@estilltribune.com](mailto:news@estilltribune.com) in the best print format by May 19. Thank you!

## Irvine Police Activity

Randall B. Jones, 32, of Cantrill Street, Irvine was arrested by IPD Officer Jason Conrad on April 20 for an Estill County warrant for failure to appear.

Lloyd Raymond Powell, 40, of Cantrill Street, Irvine was arrested April 22 by Officer James Marshall, who served an Estill County warrant on Powell for failure to appear.

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