



**Tam's Front Porch Ponderings**  
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As the New Year approaches, it is a time to reflect upon the things I've done, the things I wanted to do and the things I didn't do! Perhaps that's not the best way to word it because it comes across as prideful, what I meant is simply this, did I do all that I could to help when help was needed, love my enemy, trust com-

# Have A Blessed New Year!

pletely in the Lord and make a difference?

Sometimes we forget that we are human and try as we may, we're gonna make mistakes! I know I have! Momma used to tell me, "It's not what you say Tam, it's how you say it". I come across harsh and I don't mean too. Robin, if you're reading this, please accept my apology. Stress affects us all, life is not as simple as when our parents and grandparents were growing up and as the old saying goes, "You got too many irons in the fire!" and we forget to smile or laugh. We get so busy making a life, we forget to live our life.

This week I'm slowing down to ponder what 2015 blessed me with and what 2016 promises for me now that I have reached 55. Face it, I'm on the down hill side of life and I'm not sure I've

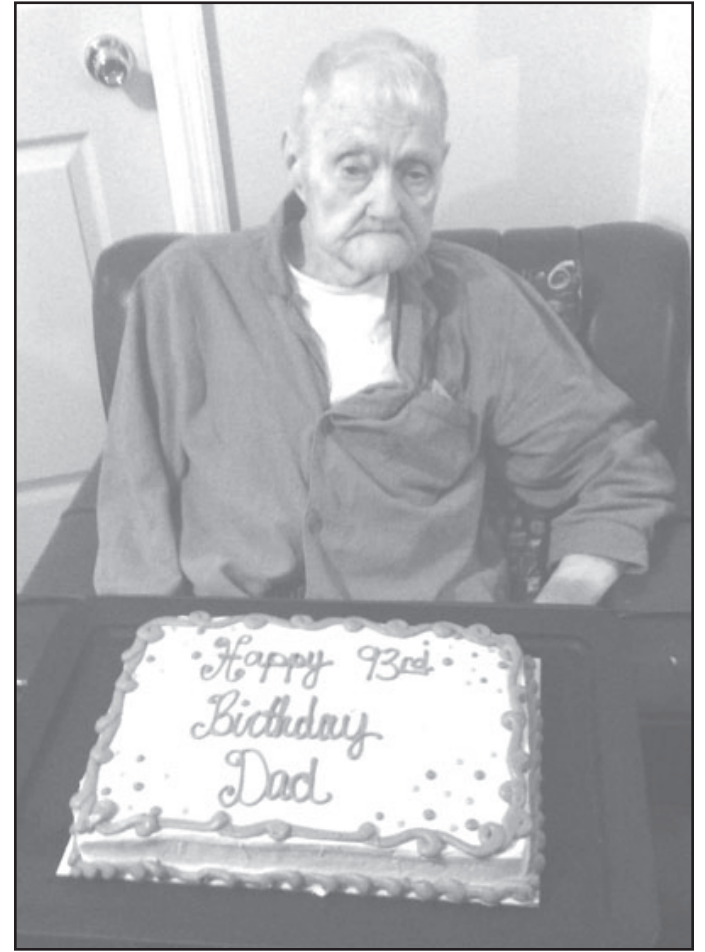
accomplished everything I want to before I take my last breath! How about you? If you left this world tomorrow, are you ready? Take these last few days of 2015 to review and refresh. Do you harbor a grudge that needs to be resolved? Reach out to family members that you seldom see and let them know how much you love them. If you don't have a Church home...find one! Statistics show that people who are involved in a Church family are happier and healthier than those who aren't. Give to a charity, not only are you helping someone else, you help yourself. Your heart will thank you for it!

When our children were small, we began a New Year's Eve tradition that Corky and I still continue. We write down three goals for the New Year; a Person-

al Goal, a Financial Goal and a Spiritual Goal. I tuck our pieces of paper in the family Bible and on New Year's Eve we review them. Did we meet our goals? Sometimes life gets in the way and we lose our drive. Could we have done something differently? Prayed more, worked harder and trusted more in the Lord. Remember? We're human and humans make mistakes, but before the clock strikes midnight, we jot down three new goals and begin again.

I've enjoyed sharing stories with you in 2015. I hope I've inspired you to stop and look at things in a different light, I hope I've touched your heart in the smallest of ways, but most of all, I hope I've made you laugh!

From our house to yours, have a Blessed New Year!



John M. Rucker celebrated with family on Sunday for his 93rd birthday on Monday, December 28th. He was born in 1922, the son of Skyler and Nannie Rucker. He and his wife, Edna, have three children.

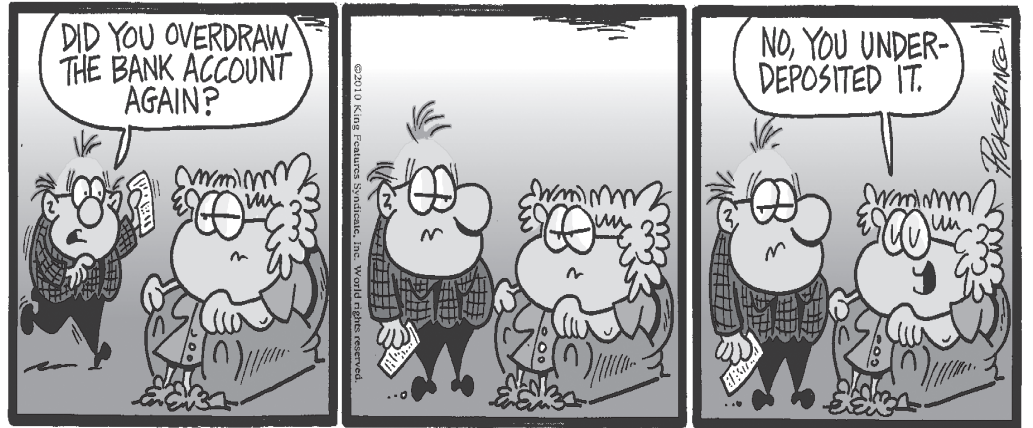
## ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS

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

MONDAY January 4	TUESDAY January 5	WEDNESDAY January 6	THURSDAY January 7	FRIDAY January 8
<b>ELEMENTARY BREAKFASTS</b>				
Waffles Apple	Toast Cereal Peaches	Biscuit & Gravy Applesauce	Pop Tarts Cereal, Pears	Muffins Pineapples
<b>SOUTH IRVINE LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple, Milk	<b>TACO TUESDAY</b> Taco/Wrap, Salsa Let./Tom./Cheese Refried Beans Pineapples	Hot Dog or Mr. Rib on Bun Tater Tots Broccoli/Dip Applesauce	Pizza Corn Fresh Carrots/Dip Mandarin Oranges Milk	Deli Turkey Wrap Shred. Lettuce./Tom. Potato Smiles Cucumber Slices/Dip Side Kicks, Milk
<b>WEST IRVINE LUNCHES</b>				
Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple, Milk	<b>TACO TUESDAY</b> Taco/Wrap, Salsa Let./Tom./Cheese Refried Beans Pineapples	Hot Dog/Bun Tater Tots Broccoli/Dip Applesauce Milk	Pizza Corn Fresh Carrots/Dip Mandarin Oranges Milk	Chicken Strip or Deli Turkey Wrap Shred. Lettuce./Tom. Potato Smiles Cuke Slices/Dip
<b>ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST</b>				
Breakfast Pizza Cinn. Toast Crunch Cereal, Apple Chocolate Pop Tart Assorted Juices Milk Choices	Sausage Biscuit Lucky Charms Br. Sugar Cinn. Pop Tart, Pineapples Assorted Juices Milk Choices	Pancake Porky w/ Syrup, Applesauce Cocoa Puffs Cereal Chocolate Pop Tart Assorted Juices Milk Choices	Mini Strawberry Pancakes w/Syrup Trix Cereal Strawberry Pop Tarts, Oranges Fruit Juice & Milk	Chocolate or Cinn. Muffins, Peaches Cinn. Toast Crunch Bar, Pop Tart Reese Puff Cereal Fruit Juice & Milk
<b>ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH</b>				
Popcorn Chicken Texas Toast Mashed Potatoes CA Blend Vegetables Tropical Fruit Apple	Bosco w/Marinara Sauce or Chicken quesadilla, Corn Broccoli Bites Diced Pears Side Kicks	Grilled Chicken or Spicy Chicken on Bun, Let./Tom./Pick. Potato Smiles Applesauce Mandarin Oranges	Meatball Marinara on Bun w/Mozz. Cheese or Corn Dog Baked Beans, Fruit Romaine Salad Asst. Pepper Slices	Chili & Crackers Grilled Cheese Carrot Sticks Broccoli & Cauli- flower Bits, Orange Tropical Fruit
<b>ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST</b>				
Muffins, Cereal Pop Tarts Yogurt Orange, Apple	Bacon, Egg & Chz. Biscuit, Cereal Pop Tart, Yogurt Apple, Orange	Gravy & Biscuit Cereal Pop Tart, Yogurt Apple or Banana	Sausage Biscuit, Cereal, Yogurt Banana or Apple Juice & Milk	Breakfast Pizza Cream Cheese Bagel Cereal Pop Tart, Yogurt Banana or Apple
<b>ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH</b>				
Pepperoni Calzone Chicken Quesadilla Corn, Glaze Carrots Salsa/Marinara Cup Pineapples Peaches Variety Milk/OJ	Spicy Chicken or Grilled Chicken on Bun, Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Applesauce Mandarin Oranges Variety Milk/OJ	Beef Taco or Chicken Fajita Soft Shell, Salsa Refried Beans Let./Tom./Cheese Cookie, Pears Tropical Fruit	Cheeseburger or Mr. Rib on Bun Potato Wedges Normandy Blend Let./Tom./Pickle Side Kicks Tropical Fruit	Chicken Alfredo Breadstick or Pork Chop on Bun Carrot Sticks Steamed Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Applesauce

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



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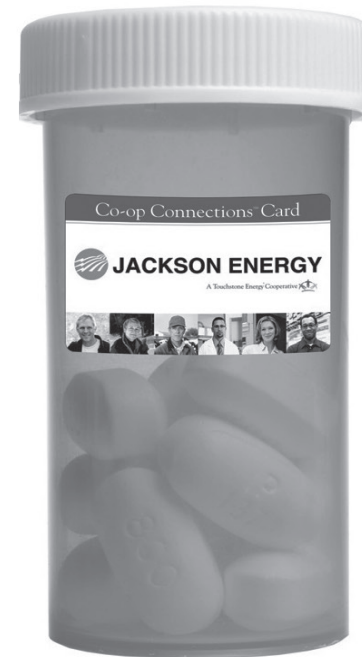
JANUARY 4-8, 2015

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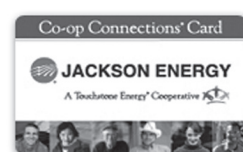
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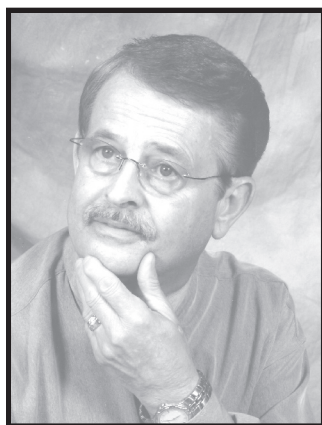
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