



Eastern Kentucky University Recreation Club students recently spent a week, making Louisiana an even more beautiful place. From left: Dylan Bogard, Britany Viars, Christopher Bundy, Geena Neustat and Jacqueline Cantrell. See full story on Page 14, at left. (Photo courtesy of EKU Communications & Marketing)



On July 11, East KY Chaos 8U Girls' Softball team finished as the Runner-Up in the Morehead 2015 Summer Boom Tournament! These girls played six games (not finishing until after 11 p.m.) to end the day losing the championship game to the Hot Shots – whom they had beaten earlier in the day. The Chaos girls were undefeated going into the championship game and thus had to play the championship game two times -- to be beaten twice in order to be eliminated and consequently giving them the 2nd place finish. Pictured left to right, are front row: Kaitlyn Worley, Madi Rose, Elizabeth Raider, Ava Hale, Laycee Puckett, Callee Snowden, Jadelyn Neal, Bonnie Jean Caudill. Middle row: Hannah Brasher, Kaylee Adams, Emma Taylor, Marlo Puckett, Maddie Cole, Charlie Plowman. Back row: Asst coaches: Missy Snowden, Aaron Raider, Jonathan Worley, and Coaches Shaun Hale and Brad Brasher. (Photo courtesy of Melissa Neal)

ETS Tours Nashville & Memphis

The Educational Talent Search (ETS) Program at Eastern Kentucky University sponsored the Summer College Road Trip to Nashville & Memphis, July 7-10th. Nineteen high school students took advantage of this (free) ETS summer opportunity that included 5 colleges (Nashville Auto Diesel College, Nashville Film Institute, Memphis College of Arts, University of Memphis, and the Southern College of Optometry). While in Nashville the students got to visit the Country Music Hall of Fame, and learn strategic use of laser light at Nashville Laser Quest. Memphis provided the students the chance to give back, as their service project was collecting new stuffed animals for children at the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. One hundred twenty-six stuffed animals were delivered, with Sarah Barnes collecting 83.

ETS also toured: Grace-land (the home of Elvis Presley), the Rock & Soul Museum, the National Civil Rights Museum, and heard the "History of the Mississippi River" while cruising on the Memphis Paddlewheel Riverboat. Student cost: \$0. All costs were covered by the Educational Talent Search (ETS) Program. ETS is a federal TRIO Program, grant funded by the U.S. Department of Education. The ECU ETS Program is funded to serve 765 participants, grades 6 thru 12, in the following counties: Estill, Garrard, Jackson, Lee, Lincoln, and northern Madison. The mission of ETS is to assist and support students who have the interest and ability to pursue education after high school. Two-thirds of the participants served must meet the federal income guidelines and be potential first genera-

tion college bound students. In addition, the program can also assist adults who want to continue their education. Services are provided to participants, 6th grade thru 12th grade, during school time. Such services consist of: personal development & leadership skills, college planning & preparation, career interest & inventory, test taking, ACT Prep, Pre-College Curriculum, college admission requirements & application process, financial literacy, financial aid application, and exposure to college, career & cultural sites. The ETS applications will be distributed in the 6th grade, first-day take home packet. Anyone else interested (at any grade) may obtain an application from the ETS website, located at: www.ETS.eku.edu or by calling the ETS Office in Richmond at: 859-622-5425.



The Educational Talent Search (ETS) Program at Eastern Kentucky University sponsored the Summer College Road Trip to Nashville & Memphis, July 7-10th with students from Estill, Garrard, Jackson, Lee, & northern Madison Counties, including, Michael Ackerman, Zach Ackerman, Tiffany Bailey, Talia Baker, Sarah Barnes, Tyler Brewer, Adrian Bryant, Dexter Davidson, Ryan Eversole, Rachel Hughes, Ajah Jones, Jenna Kelley, Tara McGuire, Rebecca Moyer, Chyna Samples, Johnny Sims, Mercedes Smith, Johannah Stewart and Moriah Yarbrough.

Arvin To Compete In Nationals

Two equipment operators from the Department of Highways District 10 earned top honors in individual competitions at the statewide Equipment Roadeo held July 21-22 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. Greg Arvin from Estill County and Chuck Ward from Magoffin County will be among

the Kentucky representatives competing at the 2015 South-eastern Regional Equipment Operators' Roadeo and Safety Training Conference, to be held Sept. 14-17 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Arvin won the statewide competition in the single axle truck category, while Ward placed second. Arvin

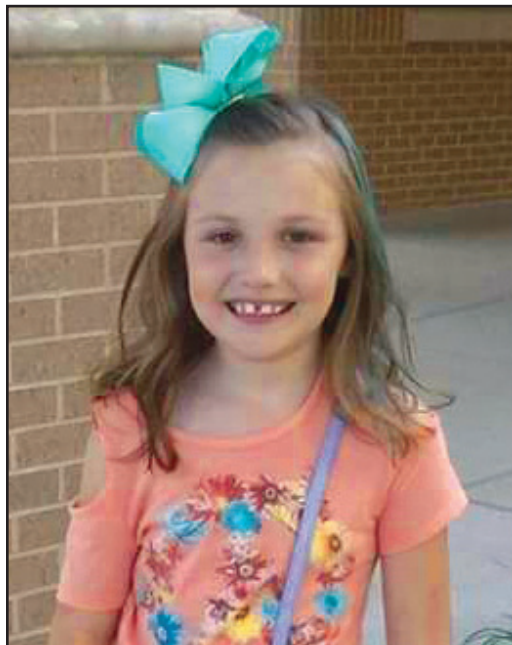
also finished second in the backhoe competition. Arvin had qualified for the state event by virtue of winning the backhoe competition at the district Roadeo, while Ward was the overall individual district winner. Arvin placed second statewide in the single axle truck competition last year.



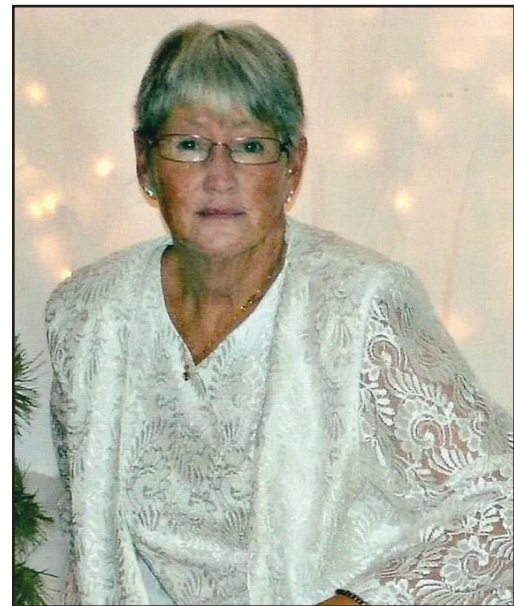
Greg Arvin, center, from Estill County will help represent Kentucky at South-eastern Roadeo in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He is pictured with Rick Durham, director of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Division of Equipment, and Cindy James, KYTC chief of staff.



The Estill Lil' Lady 'Neers won the championship in the Dynamite Summer Slam in Richmond, the weekend of July 25-26, 2015. The girls were undefeated in a 9-team tourney, scoring 49 runs and only allowing the other teams to score 8 runs in 5 games. Three girls had homeruns (over the fence). Congrats to Henlee Hunter, Neesa West, and Kierstin Osborne. Left to right, above, are, front row: Chelsea Hardy, Kylah Covey, Maci Muncie, Lauren Farmer, Emma Winkle. Back row: Malorie York, Neesa West, Kierstin Osborne, Vanna Newton, Katie Johnson, and Henlee Hunter. Coaches are Jamie Winkle, Chad Hunter, Lynn West and Bryan Covey. Thank you and congrats team! (Photo courtesy of Tambo Hardy)



Happy 8th Birthday, Natalie!
Love, Mommy & Daddy,
Kenzie and Journey



Please pray for my little girl. Dottie has cancer again. She has had one surgery and four freezes since Mothers Day. They put her back on chemo this week. Thank you, Delilah Rogers

Estill County Youth

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SIGNUPS

Saturday, August 1st . 11-2

Sunday, August 2nd 1-3

McDonald's in Irvine

Kg - 2nd Grade Flag \$40⁰⁰

*Child must have been 4 years of age before Jan. 1, 2015

3rd - 6th Grade Tackle ... \$60⁰⁰