



Tam's Front Porch Ponderings
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"Oh Darling, let's be Adventurers!"

the porch with my morning coffee, listening to the birds singing and watching the Red-headed Pileated try his best to peck the transformer on the electric pole! It sounds like a machine gun as he goes about searching for breakfast. You'd think he'd learn after the first attempt that the transformer is NOT made of wood! All these things are the ingredients for my home away from home and with winter behind me, I looked forward to our trip that begins summer for us!

We were pulling Mom's small trailer to bring back our lawnmower for its yearly tune up. We were well on our way and making really good time when we felt a vibration, Corky and I looked at each other and in unison said, "Blow-out!" Corky limped the Tahoe to the shoulder and stopped. We sat quietly for a moment, pondering what our next move would be. It was five miles to Somerset, there was no way we could limp that far without tearing the fender off the trailer. We weren't far though from a vacant lot we frequented for yard sales, so we headed for that hoping no vendors were set up today. The lot was empty! After we unhooked the trailer, I moved all the 'stuff' in the Tahoe so Corky could get to the lug wrench and jack. Wouldn't you know it, the four way

in my truck was stripped of the size he needed?! Leaving the trailer behind, we went in search of a Walmart to purchase a lug wrench. After thirteen stop lights we spotted Walmart, got the wrench and headed back to the trailer. Man was it hot! Sweat dripped from my face while I pulled the shredded tire out of Corky's way so he could loosen the lug nuts. Before long, he had the tire off and we were in the wind to Walmart, again! Corky carried the shredded piece of steel and rubber into the garage and I laughed as I heard him ask, "Can you guys air this up for me?" I waited in the truck, thankful this had happened where it did and NOT on I75.

Finally after getting out a sawzaw to remove the mangled mess, we had a new tire and headed for the trailer, again! I do believe people along the way waved at us, so accustomed to our truck by now! Corky got the tire on in nothing flat, tossed the tools in the back, hooked the trailer up and headed for Walmart, AGAIN! Now to buy a SECOND tire. Corky wasn't taking any chances with the other tire and I picked up a few supplies for the camper while the great guys in the garage fixed the trailer. We pulled into the campground at 6:00 p.m., a two hour trip had taken us almost six hours! Corky looked at me

apologetically and said, "I'm sorry everything went wrong today. You're not going to have a lot of time to set up like you wanted and the day is gone".

I grinned as I helped him unload and said, "Everything happens for a reason, and this reason was so I'd have a good story to share!"

So what if I didn't get the cushions made for the couch? So what that I didn't dust or clean the windows? I had all summer and this was just the beginning of a great season at the Lake. Besides, it doesn't matter what or where something crazy happens, just being together makes it an adventure. I'm thankful I have Corky to share my adventures with and just like he's always said, "If we get a hole in our boat, at least we'll sink...together!"



School News

Nominations taken May 2-6

ECHS SBDM Parent Nominations

Estill County High School will be accepting parent nominations for the ECHS Site Based Decision Making Council (SBDM) for the 2016-2017 school years. Nominations for SBDM will be made in the ECHS main office May 2nd thru 6th from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm.

Two parents will be elected to serve on the council and required to attend a SBDM Training before school begins. Estill County High School Election for SBDM council members will be held on May 10th and 11th.

Parents may vote in the ECHS main lobby from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm. Parents are eligible to nominate, run for election and vote only if they will have a student enrolled at Estill County High School for the 2016-2017 school year.

April 25-29

Parent Nominations for ECMS SBDM

Estill County Middle school will be taking nominations for the 2016-2017 school-based council - April 25-29 in the school's office. Parents must have a child enrolled in either 6th, 7th, or 8th grade next school year in order to be eligible. Once nominations are compiled, the vote will take place May 3-9. Two seats will be filled by this process. The term is for one school year. The voting process will be conducted by the Youth Service Center adult advisory council members.

ESTILL COUNTY SCHOOLS MENUS

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

MONDAY April 25	TUESDAY April 26	WEDNESDAY April 27	THURSDAY April 28	FRIDAY April 29
ELEMENTARY BREAKFASTS				
Breakfast Pizza Apple	Bacon, Egg, Cheese Biscuit, Pears	Pancake Porky Applesauce	Toast, Cereas Peaches	Muffins Pineapples
SOUTH IRVINE & ESTILL SPRINGS LUNCHES				
Chicken Patty/Bun Baked Beans Apple Milk	Round Cheese Pizza Corn Romaine Salad Mandarin Oranges Milk	Ravioli Texas Toast Steamed Peas Carrots w/Dip Oranges	Chinese Chicken Stir Fry Vegetables Celery Sticks/Dip Rice, Egg Roll Pineapple	Pizza Munchale Pepperoni Marinara Sauce Loco Bread Carrots/Dip, Raisins
WEST IRVINE LUNCHES				
Chicken Patty/Bun Potato Wedges Baked Beans Apple Milk	Round Cheese Pizza or Chicken Salad Sandwich, Corn Romaine Salad Mandarin Oranges	Ravioli Texas Toast Steamed Peas Carrots w/Dip Oranges	Chinese Chicken or Turkey Wrap Stir Fry Vegetables Celery Sticks/Dip Rice, Egg Roll, Fruit	Pizza Munchale Pepperoni Marinara Sauce Loco Bread Carrots/Dip, Raisins
ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST				
Breakfast Pizza Cinn. Toast Crunch Cereal, Apple Chocolate Pop Tart Assorted Juices Milk Choices	Scrambled Eggs & Toast, Lucky Charms, Brown Sugar Cinn. Pop Tart, Pineapples Juice & Milk	Pancake Porky w/Syrup Cocoa Puffs Cereal Chocolate Pop Tart Applesauce Juices, Milk	Mini Pancakes w/syrup Trix Cereal Strawberry Pop Tart Oranges Fruit juices, Milk	Chocolate or Cinn. Muffins, Cinn. Toast Crunch Cereal Bar Reese Puffs Cereal Chocolate Pop Tart Peaches
ESTILL COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH				
Popcorn Chicken Cinn. Toast Mashed Potatoes CA Blend Veggies Tropical Fruit Apple	Bosco w/Marinara sauce or Chicken Quesadilla, Corn Broccoli Bites Pears, Side Kicks Ice Cream Sandwich	BBQ or Spicy Chicken on Bun Let./Tom./Pickle Slaw, Applesauce Potato Smiles Mandarin Oranges	Meatball Marinara on Bun w/Mozz. Cheese or Corn Dog, Fruit Baked Beans Romaine Salad Pepper Slices	Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce or Ravioli Breadstick Oranges Carrot Sticks Broccoli, Cauliflower Tropical Fruit
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST				
Muffins, Cereal Pop Tarts Yogurt Banana or Apple	Bacon, Egg & Chz. Biscuit, Cereal Pop Tart, Yogurt Apple or Banana	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
ESTILL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH Offered Daily: Pizza Line Sandwich Box, Salad Box				
Asian Chicken w/Rice or Fish/Bun Egg Roll Stir Fry Veggies Glazed Carrots Cookie Peaches	Hot Dog or Hamburger on Bun Tater Tots Steamed Broccoli Let/Tom./Pickle Pears Mandarin Oranges	Beef Taco or Chicken Fajita/Soft Shell, Salsa, Corn Let./Tom./Cheese Tropical Fruit Applesauce Variety Milk/OJ	BBQ Pork on Bun or Pork Chop on Bun Baby Bakers Baked Beans Cookie Peaches/Pineapples Variety Milk/OJ	Chicken Pot Pie Chicken Patty/Bun Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Pears Variety Milk/OJ

ESTILL LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

246 Main Street Irvine, KY – Call 723-3030

APRIL 25-29, 2015

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Northwood Apts. Winchester Rd. Edgewater Dr. Crestview Ct.	Stacy Lane Rice Station West Irvine Race Track Rd.	Wisemantown Station Camp Red Lick Crooked Creek	Sugar Hollow Road Buck Creek Doe Creek Barnes Mtn.	South Irvine Pre-K

"Mommie & Me" and Storytime Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. & Fridays, 10:30 a.m.

Estill County Schools

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION/SCREENING 2016-17 School Year

**CALL South Irvine P-K Center AT 726-3078
TO SCHEDULE A SCREENING APPOINTMENT**

SCHEDULED SCREENING DATES

- Thursday, April 28th 4:00 to 6:30 PM
- Friday, April 29th 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Thursday, May 12th 4:00 to 6:30 PM
- Monday, July 11th 2:00 to 6:30 PM

At South Irvine P-K Center, 1000 South Irvine Road, Irvine, KY

Preschool Qualification Guidelines:

- Children who turn four years old by August 1st and meet income requirements or have a delay/ disability
- Children who turn three years old by August 1st and have a delay/ disability or meet Head Start requirements
- NEW FOR 2016-17: Preschool is not a mandatory program; however, our school district is currently exploring options to provide preschool for all children, who will turn four years old by August 1st. If interested in your child attending South Irvine P-K Center preschool program, please call for a screening appointment.

Bring the following required documents to the screening appointment:

- Child's Certified State Sealed Birth Certificate (not a hospital certificate)
- Child's Social Security Card (optional)
- Proof of Family Income (For eligibility purposes): Check Stub, Tax Forms, Statement from Employer, SSI Award Letter, Food Stamp Letter, Child Care Subsidy Form, statement from person providing room and board
- Up to date immunization certificate recorded on a Kentucky form only
- School Entry Physical that includes blood pressure, Hemoglobin count, and Lead Screening/test
- Eye Exam by an Optometrist or Ophthalmologist
- School Entry Dental Exam performed by a licensed dental professional
- Medical Insurance Card
- Copy of legal guardianship, (if not biological parent)

❖ The above documents will be required for your child to ATTEND school in August 2016.

It is important to bring your child to registration as he/she will be screened at that time. The screening will take approximately 1 hour.

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