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IRVINE & RAVENNA, KENTUCKY 40336

Irvine Police arrests 14 in drug busts

Department has arrested 14 people on drug 26, and Melinda Sue Powell, 33. related charges. Investigations into those arrests being made later.

The charges range from trafficking in endangerment, and other charges.

fort to combat drug use and drug trafficking in Irvine," stated Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith.

search warrants and seized various items of paraphernalia, narcotics, and cash," Smith added.

rested at 324 Jacqueline Court, and a fifth one was arrested at 325 Jacqueline Court.

Combs' citation states that he sold methcharges began as early as May 27, with the amphetamine to a confidential informant on two occasions.

The citation states that when the search methamphetamine and narcotics, wanton warrant was executed at 324 Jacqueline Court, Combs and three other adults were "These arrests come from a continued ef-smoking meth in a rear bathroom. It adds there was a fan in the open window which was blowing meth vapor into the living area where two juveniles were watching televiexposed to the vapor.

The citation states that a variety of drug paraphernalia was visible, including needles, On Thursday night, four adults were ar-scales, meth pipes, baggies, etc.

As of Monday evening, the Irvine Police were identified as Tyler Jay Palmer Combs, substance, first degree (meth), possession of drug paraphernalia, and wanton endanger- queline Court were identified as Blake ment, first degree.

> charged with trafficking in a controlled subof a controlled substance, first (meth), possession of drug paraphernalia, and wanton endangerment first degree.

"The department has executed several sion. The citation states the juveniles were baggie of methamphetamine to another female on May 22.

A second citation charged Powell with complicity to traffic in a controlled sub- \$15,000 cash and Powell's at \$20,000. Bail stance, first degree (methamphetamine). It for Wilson was set at \$2,500 cash. Brown Combs was charged with trafficking in states that she was in the rear passenger seat was arrested on a new offense while a case a controlled substance, first degree (Meth- of a vehicle when a controlled drug buy was was pending, according to court records. The occupants of 324 Jacqueline Court amphetamine), possession of a controlled made by a confidential informant on May 22.

The two other adults present at 324 Jac-Edward Brown, 27, of 307 Poplar Street, The citation states that Powell was also Ravenna and Hailey Nicole Wilson, 18, of smoking meth in the rear bathroom when 835 Sandhill Road, Irvine. They were each the search warrant was executed. She was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first degree (Methamphetamine), stance, first (methamphetamine), possession possession of drug paraphernalia, and wanton endangerment, first degree.

Officer John Sturniolo issued citations to Combs, Powell, and Brown. Chief Powell's citation states that she gave a Smith wrote the citation for Wilson. They were assisted at the scene by KSP Trooper Brashear.

Combs' and Brown's bails were set at

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School board meets in special session to address staffing

Board attorney resigns, effective May 31

"We've come up with a

The board tabled the ap-

A position was created for SEMP (School Energy Managment Program). Say-

lor said that position will

"We saved over \$60,000

West Irvine, Estill High

Saylor gave his report to

He said the district's face-

A diesel mechanic was

This year, the district will

which Saylor said will add

management)," Saylor said.

are energy star schools.

gave them a High Five.

savings to the budget.

pend.

the board.

proval of three pre-school

A special meeting of the Estill County Board of Edu- plan that will work with both cation was held last Tues- schools," Dennis stated. day. Most of the actions taken involved personnel.

A request was approved positions. Supt. Saylor said for South Irvine P-K to he has not received final share a librarian with Estill word if the positions have Springs. The librarian will been funded by Kentucky be at South Irvine one day a River Foothills.

Estill Springs principal Jessica Mullins was present and said both schools be added on to a present site based councils have staff member's duties with approved the requests pre- a \$1,500 management stisented to the board.

Supt. Jeff Saylor said every school is required to this school year (in energy have a librarian, but schools can share librarians. He said this will save a little money and Estill Middle School because there will be no extended days paid for South Irvine's librarian.

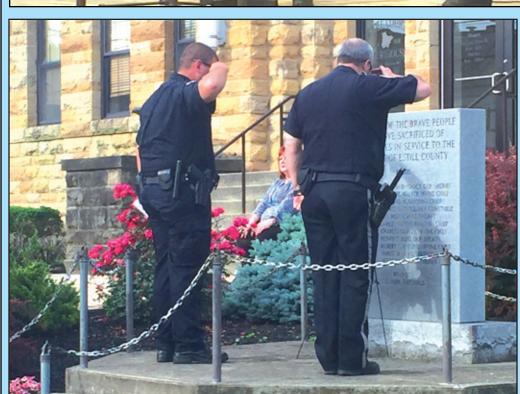
A kindergarten teacher was approved for South Ir- book page had over 20,000 vine. The school is looking hits for when graduates visfor someone specializing ited the other schools and in humanities and practical living.

South Irvine's media spe- hired about two weeks ago, cialist, Amy Hughes, has retired.

South Irvine will send a teacher to Estill Springs on reduce the transportation by the day the librarian is at two bus routes. South Irvine.

Remembering Our Fallen Officers





Top Photo: Captain Adrian McKinney addressed the crowd during the annual **Policeman Memorial** on Tuesday night in front of the Estill **County Courthouse.**

Left photo: Irvine **Police Chief Brad Smith and Ravenna Police Chief Ken** White place a wreath at the memorial for the officers who were killed in the line of duty.

> **Tribune Photos** by Cathy Dawes

<u>Obituaries</u>

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The Estill County Community Chorus and The Winchester Singers presented "I Love America" on Sunday at the Irvine United Methodist Church. The director of the chorus is Carol Anne Wilson, above center. She has served in this capacity for approximately four years. The chorus rehearses locally and welcomes new members.

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