

GED graduates have only just begun

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Their two-year old daughter, Calli Rae, was present to see her parents graduate. Tiffany Michelle Billingsly said it has taken her a little longer to get her GED because she has two children to take care of. She was living in Indiana in 2011 when she dropped out of high school to have a baby. She was a sophomore.

After Tiffany passed the GED test in February, she enrolled in Colorado Technical University (CTU). She is working on an Associate's Degree in Sciences and Health.

Brandon S. Witt is also enrolling in college. He will study Industrial Maintenance at Bluegrass Career and Technical College (BCTC). He stated that Industrial maintenance includes training in welding and robotics.

Two other graduates, Kristy Smith and

Crystal Learics Tackett, were unable to attend the graduation on Friday.

Since the GED test changed in 2014, the number of students passing the test has declined sharply.

Mary Skipper, director of Adult Education, called Friday's speaker, Randall Christopher, a true champion for the Adult Education program. Christopher is a retired assistant superintendent, principal, and teacher in Estill County Schools.

"You've only just begun: now the real work has begun," Christopher challenged them.

English teacher, Charlene Haggard, was presented with a gift upon her retirement from Adult Education.

Skipper said Adult Education, located at 200 Wallace Circle in Irvine, is open this summer. Call her at 723-7323.



Courtney McKenzie



Brandon Witt



Tiffany Billingsly

Irvine Police arrest record

Billy D. Stamper, 37, of Main Street, Irvine, and Carrie Sturgill, 36, of Sugar Hollow Road, Irvine were each charged with public intoxication first and possession of a controlled substance third on June 22 by Capt. Adrian McKinney. The officer was called the couple were in a car at Shell Mart for two hours.

They pleaded not-guilty during their arraignment on June 22 in Estill District Court. Their preliminary hearings will be July 13.

Stamper's bond was set at \$1,000 cash - 10 percent. A surety bond of \$650 was set for Sturgill.

Ethan Newman, 36, of Stacy Lane, was arrested June 26 by Officer Sturniolo on a warrant for receiving stolen property (firearm), possession of firearm by convicted felon, and fleeing or evading police, second degree.

The warrant was obtained by KSP Trooper Z. Pennington, and the offense allegedly took place on August 21, 2013. Newman was also charged with operating on a suspended or revoked operator license. His bond was set at \$25,000 cash.

A bench warrant from Estill District Court was served on Newman because he failed to appear in court for traffic violations.

A bench warrant from Rockcastle Circuit Court was served June 26 on Eugene Puckett of N. Plum Street by Officer Sturniolo. A bond of \$780.00 cash was to be applied to fines and fees.

A bench warrant from Estill Circuit Court was served June 26 on Orville E. Puckett, 47, of Plum Street, Irvine by Officer Sturniolo. No bond was set. Warrant says Puckett violated terms of his release.

Sturniolo served a bench warrant from Estill District Court on Ladonna Botkin, 44, of Main Street, Irvine. It says she failed to appear to be arraigned on a theft or disp./shoplifting charge.

A criminal complaint was served June 26 on Aaron Noland, Wisemantown Road, Irvine. It charges Noland with unlawful transac-

tion with a minor third degree. The complaint obtained by Dickie Arthur, Director of Pupil Personnel, says that between 8/31/15 through 12/17/15, Noland caused his minor child to become a habitual truant.

Two bench warrants were also served on Noland, 25, from Estill District Court, both for allegedly failing to appear on traffic charges.

Sturniolo served a bench warrant June 24 on Cornelious Wilson Jr., 45, of Stacy Lane from Estill Circuit Court for alleged failure to pay fine. Bail was set at \$220 cash.

Irvine Council met Monday

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Mayor W.J. Noland said he was willing to entertain the idea of the HVAC system and that he had been to the business several times and that Willis had done a lot of work to the building since he had moved in.

City Attorney Rodney Davis advised that it might be cheaper if the city put the job up for bid and Estes paid them back. He said he knew it would save sales tax and could possibly get a more competitive bid. Councilman Tobo Bryant made the motion to move forward with the project and Janice Bush seconded the motion with all council members in favor.

The second reading of the 2016-2017 budget was approved by the council. City clerk Robin Powell said that there had been a few minor changes made to the budget such as removing flower purchases and breaking down items listed under professional services. Powell added that \$34,700 was al-

lotted in the budget to cover the state and private auditors but noted that the number may increase by \$9,500 if the auditor came back in August.

Powell said that she had spoken with Cintas which is the company that provides the street and sanitation department with uniforms and was told that the city is under a contract for \$79 per week until 2019. Rodney Davis said he didn't think that it sounded correct and Powell said that a representative from Cintas was supposed to be at city hall on Friday to negotiate a price with them.

Powell said that a privilege license had been purchased for an authentic Mexican restaurant named 'La Cabana' to open in the location of the Eagle's Roost on Main Street.

Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith informed the council that Michael Gross had resigned his position on the force to work for the Ravena Police Department. Gross will work as the SRO officer

for the school district. Smith said that only four officers remain on the force and he may possibly have to hire a non-certified officer but hasn't started the process yet.

Councilwoman Nelle Williams said that since January 2015 there has been a lot of aggravation and confusion pertaining to personnel issues. She said that she can't go out on the street without hearing about how someone's feelings have been hurt or that someone has gotten fired.

"It all has to do with personnel policies and I'm just not happy," stated Williams.

Councilman Tobo Bryant said that he had learned that Fire Chief Tony Murphy had been working first shift and asked if the city would be paying overtime for training now.

Mayor Noland replied that the city had been paying overtime anyway and there were going to be other changes made that Bryant probably wouldn't like.

IPD arrests 3 for Intoxication

James H. Barnes, 21, of Main Street, Irvine was charged with alcohol intoxication, possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance on June 22 by Sturniolo in the parking lot of Shell Mart.

Carl Fox, 54, of Oak Street was charged June 18 by Sturniolo with alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, menacing, and arrest at his residence.

Donald Fields, 54, of Sugar Hollow Road, Irvine was arrested June 18 by Sturniolo and charged with alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A bench warrant was served June 15 by Officer Sam Hensley on Carrie Estes, of Dry Branch Road. It says she violated the terms of her release from Estill Circuit Court.

IPD arrests 4 more for drug trafficking

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Brian Daly, 57, and his wife, Joan, 67, of Crooked Creek Road, were arrested on June 21 by Officer Sturniolo.

The officer said he observed B. Daly's vehicle driving too slow for the conditions on River Drive. He said the man had only a driver's permit but his wife was a passenger.

Sturniolo said the K-9 Fritz alerted to the Daly vehicle. Suspected controlled substances, drug paraphernalia, and a weapon were found.

B. Daly was charged with driving too slow for conditions, no licensed passenger with permit holder, carrying

concealed deadly weapon, possession of drug paraphernalia, trafficking in legend drug first, trafficking in controlled substance first (oxycodone), and illegal possession of a legend drug.

J. Daly was charged with carrying concealed deadly weapon, illegal possession of a legend drug, possession of drug paraphernalia, trafficking in a legend drug, first, and trafficking in a controlled substance first (oxycodone). The vehicle was impounded.

The Dalys were arraigned in Estill District Court on June 22. They each pleaded not guilty to their charges. Preliminary hearings were scheduled for June 28.

Estill County Fair 2016 Baby Show Tuesday, July 5, 2016 7:00 P.M.

Rules:

All entries must be Estill County Residents. If your residential home falls within the Estill County Lines - you're eligible for the Baby Show.

Gate Admission: \$10 For Ages 3 and Up
\$10 Entry Fee for Baby Show
(Only contestant will be admitted free. If contestant wants to ride later, you will have to pay the \$10 admission.)

Boy & Girl Classes:
(Age of child as of July 5, 2016)
Birth up to 6 Months Old
Six Months up to One (1) Year Old
Baby One (1) Year Old
Baby Two (2) Years Old
Baby Three (3) Years Old
Baby Four (4) Years Old



Pre-register at the Extension Office (76 Golden Court) June 20-July 5
Registration at Fairgrounds July 5—5:30-7:00 P.M.

For further information, contact: Tammy Cole 723-4326 or Susan Lay 726-9989

A trophy will be given to each boy and girl class champion. All contestants will receive a blue ribbon & coin dollar.

Child's Name _____
 _____ Boy _____ Girl
 Address _____
 Parent's Name _____
 Phone _____
 (If you don't have a phone, give number of nearest neighbor or relative)
 Age _____ Birthdate _____
 _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Bring or mail with \$10 entry fee to the Extension Office, 76 Golden Court, Irvine, KY 40336
 Attn: Baby Show - Make checks payable to: Estill County Fair Board

Estill County Fair Little Mister & Miss Estill County Pageant Saturday, July 2, 2016

1:00 P.M.

Entry Fee: \$10

Rules:

- All entries must be Estill County residents.
- You are eligible if your residential home falls within the Estill County Lines.

Due to state rules:

- Contestants will wear and be judged in age appropriate attire in the pageant.
- The winners of the Little Mister and Miss Pageant are not allowed to compete again. Little Mister and Miss Estill County will be competing at the Kentucky State Fair as a couple.

Boys and Girls

Ages: Five through Seven -
 Must have reached his/her 5th birthday by midnight, July 2, 2016 and cannot be 8 years old by July 2, 2016

All contestants will receive a coin dollar and blue ribbon.
 The winner receives a crown, banner and trophy.

Practice Date - Thursday, June 30th, 7:00 P.M. at the Fairgrounds

Committee: Tammy Cole, Chair; Susan Lay, Co-Chair; Eidy Hall, Lezley Dotson
 Caleb Cole, Nivra Lainhart, Keyona Tipton, and Cheryl Stepp

For further information, call:
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Full Name _____ Entry Fee \$10.00 _____ Boy _____ Girl _____
 Address _____
 Parent's Signature/Phone _____
 (If you don't have a phone, give number of nearest neighbor or relative)
 Age _____ Birthdate _____
 _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Clip this form and bring or send to the Extension Office, 76 Golden Court, Irvine, Kentucky 40336 by June 29th. Make checks payable to: Estill County Fair Board. You may also bring the form and \$10 entry fee to the practice at the Fairgrounds on Thursday, June 30th, 7:00 P.M.