

Colton's All Star Tournaments



Times Remembered
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Colton's All-Star Baseball Tournaments are in full swing. We have attended games every week-end for the past four weeks. His team, the Scott County 8U All Stars have performed well. They were runner-up at the Versailles Tournament and won the Lawrenceburg Tournament. Pool play at Lawrenceburg was on Saturday with Scott County winning all their games and became the number one seed to play in championship game. They defeated a Danville team, the Sliders, and a team called Juice, from Campbellsville to clench the championship.

In the championship game, Scott County was down 5-3 in the 5th inning when Colton, who bats fourth, rallied for a comeback when he hit a long ball to the outfield fence, and got a double; then Luke Ballard hit scoring Colton, and the rest of the lineup scored three more runs and brought it to six runs scored that inning, ending the game. Behind their hot bats and great defensive play they come back to win 9-5, and secured the championship.

As usual, Colton has been busy attending camps this summer. He's

attended Louisville's Football Camp, Scott County's Coach McKee's Football Camp, Coach Hicks' Boys Basketball Camp, Transylvania's Boys Basketball Camp and this week he's attending UK's Baseball Camp. As I said in earlier articles; he's a busy little boy, but he said he loves it. As soon as he is finished baseball he goes right into football, where he plays quarter back.

At Transylvania Basketball Camp, he won best overall shooter, the Cut-Throat Competition, and "Hot Shot," competition.

You know, Grandchildren are such a joy. I love Colton, just like I did Tara... It is like watching Tara play ball all over again. Of course, Grandchildren don't do any wrong, we don't fuss at them like we did our children; Hey! That's what grandparents are for; to spoil them and enjoy them. They are great!

Scott County and Colton will be in action the upcoming week-end in the state 8U Tournament in Cynthiana. Good Luck boys!!

Needless to say we do not take vacation now until fall break due to Colton's involvement in so many summer sports. But we love it!



What if you can talk to anyone living or dead?



America's Heartland

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Bubba was doing well in his job interview until the human resources manager, wanting to learn something of his personality, asked an off-the-wall question.

"If you could have a conversation with someone, living or dead, who would it be?"

Bubba responded without hesitation: "The living one, of course."

As I think back over history, there are so many people who would have been fascinating to talk with. Great men and women of renown, like frontiersmen Daniel Boone or Davy Crocket, political figures like George Washington or Abraham Lincoln, literary giants like Mark Twain or C.S. Lewis.

The fact is, every born-again believer will spend eternity in heaven, which will provide ample time and opportunity to visit with others.

First and foremost, we'll get to see Jesus. "He will wipe away every tear from our eyes. Death will no longer exist; grief, crying, and pain will exist no longer, because the previous things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

I also love the thought that we'll also be able to talk to people like Daniel,

and hear about his night in the lions' den, or David and the day he faced down the giant Goliath, or Moses and the parting of the Red Sea. Oh, the stories they'll have to tell. There will be so many people with so many varied tales to tell.

I hope you'll have a

great story to tell about your life, about how you stepped out on faith and did great things for God. Wouldn't it be a shame to have nothing more to share than that you lived life safely, driving to work and back each day, sitting on your sofa each evening, watching TV, mowing your lawn each week, and that, for excitement, you drove to Wal-Mart on weekends to stock up on groceries?

It's never too late to live up your story.

You may recall the story of Alfred Nobel who read his own obituary in the spring of 1888. The newspapers had made a mistake in reporting his death. Nobel was very much alive. And he wasn't very happy with the account of his life.

You see Nobel was the inventor of dynamite, and the newspapers reflected what the world knew of him, that he had made it possible to quickly kill large numbers of people. He had changed the nature of war by inventing the powerful explosive. The newspapers called him "the merchant of death."

Nobel was horrified by how the world viewed him, and he decided to change his life story. He committed his financial fortune to establishing the Nobel Peace Prize, given to people who had done the most for the cause of world peace.

All these years later, perhaps no one would recall that Nobel was the man who invented dynamite, but everyone associates the name Nobel with the award that honors the world's top peace-makers.

Like Nobel, perhaps we all need to do some things to enhance our stories, to get out of our comfort zones and do more for the cause of Christ.

I'd hope that, if Bubba is ever asked again who he'd choose to talk to, he'd choose you.

Roger Alford offers words of encouragement to residents of America's heartland. Reach him at rogeralford1@gmail.com.

ATTENTION ESTILL COUNTY DEMOCRATS

The Estill County Democratic Party will create a NEW County Executive Committee on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 7 p.m. We will meet at the Estill County Fair Barn located at 38 South Irvine Road, Irvine, KY 40336.

Every Registered Democrat in Estill County is encouraged to attend and participate. We're here to make a difference and support one another.

FIRST, at 7:30 p.m., the Registered Democrats shall be divided into Precincts. Each Precinct shall be entitled to elect 3 officers -- (1) A Precinct Committee Woman; (2) A Precinct Committee Man; and (3) A Precinct Youth Representative (must be 35 years old or younger). One of these 3 people will then be elected Precinct Chair.

IMMEDIATELY following the conclusion of the Precinct Conventions, the Precinct Officers elected shall forthwith assemble as a County Convention and elect between 10 to 20 members to the County Executive Committee. The County Executive Committee shall forthwith nominate and elect a County Chair and a County Vice Chair (of the opposite sex). For your Precinct identification, you may contact your Estill County Clerk's Office, or the info will be available at the meeting.

Any questions should be directed to Victoria Stevens, 606-643-5388 or Rhonda Childers, 606-723-9400.

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During the month of May this year, the city of Ravenna has dumped a telephone pole, \$600 of rock, loads of Dirt and about anything they could get their hands on to fill a developing Sinkhole that has appeared between the sidewalk and street curb on Poplar Street. They still need to add another load of dirt due to the previous loads having settled. This has resulted in the establishment of a new celebration in Ravenna, Ky. 40472. In the future, during the month of May, the streets of Ravenna are going to be filled with residents celebrating Sinkhole de Mayo!!!!!!

Respectfully submitted,
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Americanisms



"You're not to be so blind with patriotism that you can't face reality. Wrong is wrong, no matter who does it or says it." – Malcolm X