



Members of the Leo Club Program and Lions Club members include front row: LaFonda Snowden, Carl Fowler, Owen Davis, Faith Pearson. Candace Pearson, Kayla Barnes, and Bobby Sherrard. Back row, Ray Snowden, Jeremiah Knuckles, Andrew Samples, Colby Lynch, and Hunter Walters. Not present was Elizabeth Walters.

Leo Club is formed for youth

The Estill County Lions Club is over 20 years old.

In February, the club started a Leo club for youth ages 12 to 18 in Estill County.

The motto of a Leo Club is Leadership, Experience, and Opportunity.

The members acquire skills as project organizers and motivators of their

peers.

The local LEO club meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the library.

The club begins as any other club does, which includes the secretary reading her report.

Lion member Ray Snowden coached the

club's president on the use of Roberts' Rules of Order.

The club members then discussed ways they could raise money for their club.

At the end of the meeting, Lions Club member Tracy Snowden trained the young club members on using a vision testing machine.

The Leos will be assist-

ing the Lions in giving free vision screenings during the Mountain Mushroom Festival.

The first Leo Club was founded in 1957 in Pennsylvania. Ten years later, the Lions Club International Board of Directors adopted the Leo Club Program as an official program of the association.

Sheriff candidate forum is successful

Another successful candidate forum is in the books.

On Thursday, five of the six sheriff candidates presented in the forum at the high school auditorium from 6 to 8 p.m.

The sixth candidate, Russell "Doc" Morris was unable to be present due to the death of his son.

Kathy Watson, librarian, said that Morris will be attending a later forum. He will then present a five minute speech on why he wants to be sheriff and will be asked the same questions the other candidates were asked.

Ken White has been police chief in Ravenna for over 14 years and was a deputy sheriff.

He has been chairman of Toys for Tots in Estill County for over 20 years.

White stated that he will

set up a tipline and web sites on drug and other criminal activity. He said the caller can be anonymous.

Teddy Hunt is now working at Irvine Municipal Utilities. He worked at Winchester Fire and EMS for eight years and has been affiliated with the Estill County Fair Board for 33 years.

He is also a volunteer fireman and works with Ky. Fair and Horse Shows.

Hunt is a graduate of criminal justice training. He worked three years as police chief in Ravenna and one year as a deputy sheriff.

He has pondered running for sheriff for ten years. Raising his four children with his wife, Missy, kept him from running until the children were grown. One is still in school.

Chris Flynn grew up in

the sheriff's office. His father was an Estill County Sheriff.

He has owned and operated Flynn Auto Service since 2013. He served his country for eight years in the U.S. Marines.

He said he believes the jail closing helps save money for Estill County.

Flynn said he will bring the core values from the Marines into the sheriff's office.

"Constables need to be trained as much as sheriffs," he stated.

Terry Carroll is a former deputy sheriff and is now employed by Lockhead Martin.

"Estill County has a drug problem," Carroll stated. "This affects every family in our community."

If elected, he plans to work with the court system

on drug rehabilitation.

Kevin Chaney has spent over 25 years in public service. This includes working as a deputy sheriff.

Chaney plans to work to get funding for more School Resource Officers (SROs) into the local schools.

Last year, 117 people were killed in churches. Chaney, a pastor, said he will patrol churches.

The next candidate forum will be on Thursday, April 12 from 6 to 8 at the high school auditorium. The public is invited and the forum will be livestreamed.

Candidates for county clerk and circuit clerk have been invited to that forum.

While there are only two candidates for circuit clerk, the winner of the May primary will have no opposition in the November election.

Lee man leads KSP on chase in Estill

A Beattyville man was arrested Wednesday afternoon following a pursuit on the bypass, Richmond Road, Rice Station, and Wisemantown Roads by Kentucky State Police.

Trooper Ty Robinson wrote in the citation that he heard Estill County Dispatch give out an ATL (Attempt to Locate) for a 1999 black Dodge Ram with dual wheels.

The dispatch announced that a male on McIntosh Lane had just called them and said a male had stolen his truck and was headed toward Irvine on the Winchester Road.

Robinson said he was on the Joseph Proctor Bypass when he saw the vehicle

coming in the opposite direction. He turned and was approaching the truck as they came to the bypass and Richmond Road intersection.

The trooper stated that he activated his emergency lights and sirens as they began traveling on the Richmond Road and the Dually failed to stop.

The truck went off the road and through the parking lot of Rose's Store and back onto Richmond Road, traveling west.

It then made a right onto Rice Station Road and traveled the length of that road back to the Richmond Road, where it made a left turn back toward Irvine.

Robinson said the vehicle

left the road once again and went through the parking lot at Dollar General. When it got back on Richmond Road, it turned right onto Wisemantown Road.

Trooper Robinson said the vehicle went into a filed just past V.C. Witt Road and the driver lost control when the truck struck a tree.

He added the driver failed to get out, and he and Trooper Derrek Lovett broke the driver side and passenger side windows to remove him from the vehicle.

Trooper John Northern was able to remove the driver from the passenger window and placed him under arrest.

Billy Joe Caudill, 35, was charged with fleeing or

evading police, first degree (motor vehicle); theft by unlawful taking or disposition of auto \$10,000 or more but less than \$1,000,000; wanton endangerment, first degree; wanton endangerment, first degree - police officer; criminal mischief, first degree; speeding 20mph over limit; operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs/etc., first offense; reckless driving; and failure to wear seat belts.

Caudill was transported to Three Forks Regional Jail. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash.

According to court records, he was arrested on a new charge while a case was pending.

INDICTMENTS

Continued from Page 1 KSP Trooper Z. Pennington was the investigating officer.

Brian K. Mattingly, 45, of Barnes Mountain Road, Irvine was indicted for three counts of sexual abuse, first degree; assault fourth degree-domestic violence; and voyeurism.

The indictment states that Mattingly subjected a juvenile under 16 to sexual contact in his bedroom and bathroom of their home.

He allegedly subjected a second juvenile under 16 to sexual contact in the bathroom on the same dates.

The indictment says that Mattingly caused serious physical injury to one of the minors by holding her down on the couch and causing bruises.

Mattingly is also accused of using a cell phone to video a third juvenile while she was in the shower.

Michael Gross, School Resource Officer for Estill County Schools, was the investigating officer.

Casey D. Rose, 25, of Millers Creek Road, Ravenna was indicted for receiving stolen property over \$500 but less than \$10,000.

The indictment states that Rose had in his possession May 31 a Stihl weed eater, LED shower head and spray, a 50-foot roll and a 30-foot roll of copper wiring, four boxes of fireplace stone, and several cabinets which had been reported stolen from Joseph Ledford.

Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith conducted the investigation.

A grand jury had returned an eight count indictment

against Charles Adam Harrison, 44, of Winchester Road, Irvine in 2016, but the case was remanded on March 23 to Estill District Court because all the charges were misdemeanors or violations.

Harrison was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence, second offense; license to be in possession; operating an ATV on the roadway; no/expired registration plates; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; failure of non-owner/operator to maintain required insurance; no tail lamps; and carrying a concealed deadly weapon.

The investigation was conducted by Trooper Z. Pennington.

The grand jury found there was enough evidence to charge Tonya Mattingly, 39, of Barnes Mountain Road, Irvine with a misdemeanor.

The grand jury charged her with endangering the welfare of a minor.

The indictment states that Mrs. Mattingly failed to exercise reasonable diligence in the control of a minor which she had legal custody of. It adds that she allowed the child to be subjected to abuse while living in Mattingly's home.

The case against Tonya Mattingly was remanded to Estill District Court.

SRO Gross also conducted this investigation.

The grand jury gave a report of no indictment in a charge against Jason V. Friend. The complaint was brought to the grand jury by KSP Detective Austin Brashear.



Willow Grace Wells visited with the Easter Bunny at the Joan Richardson Memorial Egg Hunt on Saturday. It was held at Veterans Memorial Park in Ravenna. Willow is the granddaughter of Councilwoman Betty Wells. Photo Submitted



A big sister helps her younger sister to participate in the Egg and Spoon Race at the American Legion on Saturday. Games preceded the egg hunt, a visit from the Easter Bunny and food.

Death Investigation

The Kentucky State Police, Richmond Post was contacted Friday morning after a missing Estill County man was found deceased in a creek off of Fitchburg Road.

The initial investigation indicates that Herbert 'Leslie' Burton, 51 years old of Ravenna, was last seen when he walked away from his residence at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, 2018.

KSP Post 7 was called on Thursday afternoon by his family after he failed to return home, prompting a

missing person investigation.

Friday morning at approximately 9:15 a.m., the body of Leslie Burton was found in a creek near his residence, and pronounced deceased at the scene by the Estill County Coroner.

An ongoing investigation is being conducted by KSP Post 7 Trooper Toney Allen. He was assisted at the scene by KSP Personnel, KY Fish & Wildlife, Estill County EMS, Estill County Rescue Squad, and the Estill County Coroner.

Drug trafficking arrest

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tablets, two Gabapentin pills and \$10 cash.

She was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), illegal possession of a legend drug; and possession of a controlled substance, drug unspecified.

Richardson's bail has been set at \$20,000 cash.

Court records say she was arrested on a new offense while she had a case pending.

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