

Deadline to file for school board is next Tuesday

The deadline is less than a week away for candidates to file to run for school board seats in Districts 3 and 5.

As of Monday afternoon, no one has filed to run for those positions.

Those seats are currently held by L.W. Beckley and Jon Bicknell.

District 3 is made up of Ravenna, Millers Creek, Cow Creek, and West Lawn precincts. Schoolhouse, West Irvine, and Drowning Creek precincts make up District 5.

Persons elected as school board members serve four year terms.

County clerk Sherry L. Fox has advised persons interested in running for school board not to wait until the last minute this year.

A transcript of their high school graduation or GED certificate must be presented to the county clerk before the

person can file. Those transcripts can be obtained from the school board office where the degree was received.

Sharon Snowden, a Ravenna councilwoman, and current Mayor Estine Tipton have filed to run for mayor Ravenna.

Beverly Thompson, William C. VanCleve, and Valerie Henderson Flinchum have filed to run for seats on the Ravenna Council. Six people will be elected to serve two year terms.

Candidates for the Irvine mayor and council had a filing deadline of January.

The filing deadline for the non-partisan school board seats and Ravenna council and mayor is 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 14 in the office of county clerk Sherry Fox.

Candidates must meet all qualifications for the office they file for.

New starting, ending times for Estill Schools 1st day of class: Monday, August 13

School	Parent Morning Drop Off	Start Time	End Time	Dismissal & Parent Pick-Up
South Irvine	7:45 AM	8:15 AM	2:45 PM	2:45 PM - Parent Pick-Up 3:00 PM - Bus Dismissal
Estill Springs	7:45 AM	8:15 AM	3:15 PM	3:00 PM - Parent Pick-Up - Kindergarten 3:15 PM - Parent Pick-Up - 1st Grade 3:25 PM - Parent Pick-Up - 2nd Grade 3:30 PM - Shuttle Busses Leave Campus
West Irvine	7:45 AM	8:15 AM	3:15 PM	3:15 PM - Parent Pick-Up - 3rd Grade 3:20 PM - Parent Pick-Up - 4th Grade 3:25 PM - Parent Pick-Up - 5th Grade 3:30 PM - Shuttle Busses Leave Campus
ECMS	7:45 AM	8:15 AM	3:20 PM	3:20 PM - Bus Dismissal & Parent Pick-Up
ECHS	7:45 AM	8:15 AM	3:20 PM	3:20 PM - Bus Dismissal & Parent Pick-Up

Police Activity Report

• **Jennifer Gustava Pryor**, 35, of Trotting Ridge Road, Irvine was a passenger in a vehicle which was traffic stopped on August 1 by IPD Officer Colton Lewis.

During a search, a clear plastic baggie was found in her wallet. She also had a methamphetamine pipe.

She was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine) and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess. Pryor's bond was set at \$2,500 cash. Court records state she was arrested on a new charge while she had a pending case.

A bench warrant from Estill Circuit Court was also served on Pryor.

The warrant says that Pryor failed to appear on a charge of making false statements to receive benefits.

• A bench warrant from Jessamine County District Court was served August 5 by IPD Officer Jason Conrad on **Crystal G. Rawlins**, 40, of Campbell's Branch, Ravenna.

She allegedly failed to appear on a charge of theft by unlawful taking or disposition/shoplifting under \$500.

• An Estill District Court bench warrant was served Aug. 4 on Chasity Murphy, 31, Tipton Ridge Road, Ravenna by Officer Conrad.

The warrant says Murphy failed to pay after being found guilty of failure of owner to maintain required insurance in 2015. Four other traffic charges were merged.

Judge Wm. Leach set Murphy's bond at \$200 cash.

• **Felix W. Melton**, 51, of High Street, Irvine was charged August 3 by Sgt. John Sturniolo with operating on a DUI suspended license, DUI aggravating circumstance, failure of owner to maintain insurance, and possession of marijuana.

The sergeant stopped Melton's vehicle during an Attempt to Locate (ATL) for reckless driving.

• **Adam Estes**, 22, of Crooked Creek Road, Irvine was arrested on a warrant on Aug. 1 by Trooper Derrick Lovett. The warrant charges Estes with assault second degree - domestic violence, a Class C felony.

The warrant states that Estes stabbed a female in the back of her head on July 26 with a metal kitchen fork, causing a puncture wound. It adds that Estes has a child by the victim, who was present along with another child, both under age 3.

Estes' bail was set at \$25,000 cash.

• **Loretta Ann Turner**, 39, of Waco, was arrested August 1 and charged with

operating on a suspended license and receiving stolen property under \$10,000.

Deputy Russell Morris said that Jeffrey Chaney had contacted the sheriff's department on July 31 and stated someone stole his 1995 Toyota car.

Morris said he stopped the car on August 1 on Doe Creek Road and Turner was driving it.

Turner's bail is \$1,000 cash or \$2,000 property. She pleaded not-guilty during her arraignment on August 1 in Estill District Court.

• **Cornelius Vargas**, 26, of Crooked Creek Road, was arrested July 31 on a warrant by KSP Trooper C. Caudill.

The warrant charges Vargas with leaving the scene of an accident, harassment, second degree criminal mischief, and intimidating a witness in the legal process.

On July 14, the warrant says Vargas drove his vehicle over the victim's mailbox, destroying it. He then drove on the victim's lawn leaving deep tire ruts, while leaving a piece of his car on the victim's property.

The warrant states that Vargas is currently a defendant in an Estill District Court case in which the victim is a witness.

Vargas pled not-guilty during his arraignment on August 1. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for August 15. Vargas' bail was set at \$2,500 cash.

• An Estill District Court bench warrant was served on **Daniel T. Robertson**, 30, of Walton Road, Irvine, July 23 by Officer Lewis.

Robertson had reportedly failed to appear on charges of public intoxication and disorderly conduct, second degree.

Judge William Leach did not set bail.

• An Estill woman has been charged with endangering the welfare of a minor and first degree wanton endangerment.

According to the citation, relatives said they went to the residence of **Donna Young**, 57, of Racetrack Road, Irvine on July 27 and found her passed out. The relatives took Young's four year old grandchild with them to their home nearby.

Deputy Chris Coffey stated that he found Young passed out when he arrived at her residence. She did not know where the four year old child was.

Young was arraigned in Estill District Court on July 30 and pled not-guilty to the charges.

Her bail was set at \$1,000 cash or \$2,000 property. She is also to have no unsupervised contact with her grandchild.

She will return to court on August 8 for a preliminary hearing.

Driver and passenger arrested for trafficking & numerous offenses

Two Estill Countians were arrested August 2 on drug trafficking charges following a traffic stop at 101 Richmond Road by Officer Jason Conrad.

The citation states that Kevin Ray Jordan, 36, of Roberts Road, Irvine opened the passenger door and began to flee on foot. The officer said he chased Jordan down South Irvine Road before taking him to the ground and handcuffing him.

Officer Conrad said he located a tootsie roll container in the vehicle which contained a baggie of marijuana, a baggie of methamphetamine, and 18 pills suspected to be gabapentin.

A cigarette pack was also found in the grass which contained one and a half joints of marijuana, \$800 in cash, and one loose pill.

A search of the vehicle yielded a box of plastic baggies, rolling papers, and a digital scale.

A parole violation warrant from the Kentucky Parole Board was served on Jordan. The warrant states that Jordan was paroled on July 17 after being convicted in Estill County of criminal possession of a forged instrument - second degree.

It says that Jordan had absconded his parole supervision and failed to attend treatment for substance

abuse.

Jordan and the driver, Deanna J. Smith, 48, of Hood Ave., Irvine were each charged with trafficking in marijuana (less than 8 oz.)

first offense, trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (greater than or equal to two grams of methamphetamine), trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree and first offense, and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess.

Jordan was also charged with fleeing or evading police, first degree (on foot) and tampering with physical evidence.

Smith received another charge as she was being transported to Three Forks Regional Jail in Beattyville.

The court transport officer advised Conrad that Smith was passing money to Jordan while in the transport van.

The police officer said he located \$580.00 in cash on Jordan and \$1,260.00 in cash on Smith. The citation states that Smith told the officer that she swallowed a baggie of crystal methamphetamine while he was chasing Jordan.

Smith was charged with tampering with physical evidence.

Jordan's bail has been set at \$15,000 cash.

S.Irvine man charged for selling drugs within 1,000 feet of school

A South Irvine man was arrested August 2 for selling controlled substances to a confidential informant working for the Irvine Police Department on three occasions.

The citations state that all three drug transactions took place at 250 Lincoln Avenue, which is within 1,000 feet of South Irvine Preschool. That is the home of Anthony Newman, 45.

The first drug deal allegedly occurred on July 20. IPD states that informant bought suboxone pills and marijuana cigarettes from Newman.

Again on July 26, IPD says the informant purchased suboxone pills and marijuana cigarettes from Newman.

On Thursday, August 2,

the informant purchased suboxone pills and marijuana cigarettes from Newman, according to the citation.

IPD received consent to search Newman's home. The officers recovered \$904 in cash. The investigating officer, John Sturniolo, said some of the serial numbers matched the cash supplied by IPD.

IPD also confiscated five and one-fourth suboxone pills, 17 and a half marijuana cigarettes, loose marijuana, assorted drug paraphernalia, a Springfield Armory .45 ACP semi-automatic pistol with two magazines and 25 live rounds.

IPD says they will seek to seize all the recovered items.

For the August 2 incident, Newman was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, second degree and first offense, trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school, and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess.



Beulah Moore also helps out her neighbors with flower beds. Above is Margaret "Granny" Gilbert and Emma Neal, who recently had surgery.

Cross shaped flowerbed draws visitors from afar

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Beulah uses the gift cards to buy plants.

"I get the ones in critical shape that looks like there is no hope," she stated.

Her family gave a donation to the high school greenhouse when it closed for the summer and got the rest of the plants there.

Tomatoes were among the plants from the high school greenhouse which

have grown over eight feet tall and are producing an abundance.

Her oldest daughter, Stephanie, helps her with maintaining the flower beds.

"She's going to be our missionary," Beulah stated.

Beulah has been on numerous mission trips herself.

The housing project where Beulah lives encourages its residents to beautify their homes.

IPD charges neighbor with apartment arson

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They played loud music and had a lot of vehicle traffic which disturbed him, his wife, child, and neighbors.

The apartment building appeared vacant and the grass had not been cut for awhile. It was said that squatters had been staying in the apartment building.

The citation adds that Lambert described in detail how he planned to burn the inner walls of the structure so it would fall and collapse and become inhabitable. He told police that he used cardboard and burnt wood to start the fires.

IPD located two gabapentin and a soot-covered lighter from Lambert's pockets.

Lambert was charged with first degree burglary, first degree arson, first degree wanton endangerment, possession of a controlled substance, third degree, and public intoxication of a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$100,000 cash and his arraignment is scheduled for August 15.

Lambert had filed to run in the November election as a write-in candidate for county judge executive. He appeared at the candidate forum for judge/executive candidates in March.