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The City of Irvine was awarded \$85,000 in discretionary funds last Wednesday from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Accepting the grant from left to right are Councilmen Billy Arthur, Ernest Farmer, Tim Burkhart, Mayor James Gross, Municipal Aid Commissioner Tray Tombllyn II, and Councilman Woody Tip-ton.  
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## Irvine is awarded \$85,000 for street improvements

During a visit to Irvine on Wednesday, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) Department of Rural and Municipal Aid Commissioner Gray Tombllyn II announced \$85,000 in discretionary funds for repairs to several city streets. The investment supports Gov. Matt Bevin's commitment to prioritize transportation infrastructure projects and increase economic opportunity across the Commonwealth.

"The Bevin administration continues to focus on taking care of what we have at both the state and local level to address critical infrastructure needs that improve safety and support job creation and retention," said KYTC Secretary Greg Thomas. "This funding builds upon existing trans-

portation investments and allows the Cabinet to collaborate with local governments to identify projects that will have a large impact in communities."

Irvine Mayor James Gross identified these streets as being among the most in need of repairs in the city.

"I would like to thank Gov. Bevin for his dedication of supporting small cities and approving the funding of projects that were much needed," said Mayor Gross.

"I would also like to thank Sandy Williams, financial analyst with the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority for providing me with information and the application to apply for funding. I would also like to thank Gray Tombllyn, commissioner of Rural and Municipal Aid, for his assis-

tance in the process and the presentation of the awards."

Projects submitted to the Department of Rural and Municipal Aid for discretionary fund consideration were evaluated by the KYTC district staff to assess the condition of roads and determine the most critical needs based on factors such as safety, economic impact, and traffic volumes.

"This is great news for the people of Irvine," said Sen. Albert Robinson. "This upgrade will certainly benefit the community by ensuring that it has safe and dependable roadways on which to travel."

City leaders said repairs to some of the drainage structures slated for attention had not been made in at least 15 to 20 years. The improvements will create safer

driving conditions for up to 15 homes.

"Good roads are crucial when it comes to improved safety and community development, so I certainly appreciate that this work is moving ahead," said Rep. Cluster Howard. "I know it will mean a lot to everyone who regularly drives on these roads."

The Irvine City Council is responsible for administering the work, and KYTC will reimburse the city for the projects.

Repair work will address: Star Mountain Drive, resurfacing 0.154 miles, and replacement of drainage structures on Grand Avenue, Turner Avenue, West Chamberlain Branch Street, South Court Street, and an alley running between Madison Avenue and Turner Avenue.

## Privilege licenses get approval from the Irvine Council

by CATHY DAWES  
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The Irvine council approved two privilege licenses on Monday night.

The first license was granted to Makesha McDaniels to open up a discount/variety store in the location of the old Twinkle Tub laundromat. The business will be called the Treasure Box.

The second license was granted to Aaron Abney to open up a sandwich shop on Collins Street called Backstreet Grub. The location was formerly Taxes in a Flash.

The council agreed to move Trick or Treat to Tuesday night due to inclement weather moving into the

area on Thursday night.

They also set the date for a special meeting in November due to the first council meeting of the month falling on a holiday. The meeting will be held on November 4th at 7 p.m. There will not be a second meeting in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mayor James Gross said they had purchased new wheels for the garbage truck. He said the wheels were cracked and just about ready to fall off, and it was a safety hazard. The new wheels have already been put on the truck and it is back on the road.

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## Election on Tuesday to elect state officials

Voting places will open at 6 a.m. next Tuesday, November 5 in Estill County.

Voters will go to the poll to elect the next Governor of Kentucky, other state officials, and a judge for the court of appeals.

Governor Matt Bevin is running for re-election on the republican ticket with his running mate, Ralph A. Alvarado.

He is opposed by the democratic team of Andy Beshear and Jacqueline Coleman. Beshear is currently Kentucky Attorney General.

Running for governor/lieutenant governor from the libertarian party are John Hicks and Ann Cormican.

Republican Michael G. Adams is challenging Heather French Henry, a democrat for Secretary of State.

Daniel Cameron is running for Attorney General on the republican party. He is opposed by Gregory D.

Stumbo, a democrat.

Mike Harmon is running for re-election for auditor of public accounts on the republican party ticket. He is opposed by Sheri Donahue, a democrat, and Kyle Hugenberg of the libertarian party.

Allison Ball is seeking re-election as state treasurer on the republican party. She is opposed by Michael Bowman, a democrat.

Ryan F. Quarles is running for re-election on the republican ticket for commissioner of agriculture. He is opposed by Robert Haley Conway, a democrat, and Josh Gilpin, a libertarian.

Jacqueline M. Caldwell and Michael O. Caperton are both seeking election to the unexpired term for judge of the court of appeals, third appellate court, first division.

This is a non-partisan race and appears on Estill County ballots.

SUNDAY

DAYLIGHT  
SAVING TIME  
ENDS NOV. 3



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Girl Scout Troop 661 Cadettes and Juniors went to Northern Kentucky University on a recent Tuesday and met with Shannon Walker, an American scientist and NASA astronaut. Her first mission was Expedition 24 on the International Space Station in June 2010. Walker has trained as a backup for Expedition 53/54. After meeting the astronaut, the Scouts went to a planetarium to see Saturn and stargaze.



Girl Scout Troop 661 Daisies, Cadettes and Juniors spent the weekend on community service hours at the Parent and Pregnancy Help Center. They cleaned and changed out summer clothing for warmer seasonal clothing. They also put together 4-H Clover Care bags which contain a toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, and deodorant for Child Protective Services. They also made 76 pairs of slipper socks for the local nursing home.  
Photos submitted by Emma Marie Day



Kelcie Harris, a resident of the Irvine Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility, has been raising money for their annual Christmas party.

## Obituaries

- Jason Keller, 53
- Betty Mansfield, 88
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