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Alex Hall Gets All-State Band Highest Score

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The Estill County School Board met in regular session on Thursday, January 16, 2014. Students from West Irvine Elementary attended the meeting to inform board members how much they loved the new reading program that was purchased last month by the school system and to read from the new books that were purchased.

The new reading program called Literacy by Design was implemented in the school when students returned from Christmas break, according to Principal Loretta Cruse. She said that 99 percent of the students love the new books, and the teachers do as well.

The board recognized high school student Alex Hall for her accomplishment in making it to the All State Band. Estill band director Jason Bowles stated that Alex was required to pass two auditions, and out of 25 schools from

the region, only four students made it. He said that Alex had the highest score and that it was a great accomplishment to be able to perform with the All State Band.

Hall will perform in Louisville in February, along with the All State Band, in front of many high school and college band directors. She said that after high school she plans to attend college where she will major in music education.

Randall Christopher said that construction at the high school was making progress. He said that the new plumbing has been started and a tentative date for completion of the project is set for April 1st, but that may change depending on the weather.

The board discussed the District Facilities Plan that must be turned in by October 2014. The plan has to be submitted and approved by the Kentucky Department of Education, and the needs are met according to the plan.

"It's a wish list, if you will," explained Patty Hood.

With 355 students at South Irvine Pre-K Center and only one full set of rest rooms for those students to share, the school will definitely be adding to the list of items that the board hopes will be approved for construction by the KDE.

The board approved two out of state trips for students at the middle school and high school. The Winter Guard will travel to Indiana for a competition in March and the middle school band classes will travel to Georgia in April.



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Alex Hall was recognized at the board meeting on Thursday night by Bert Hensley and members of the board for her accomplishments in performing with the All State Band in Louisville.

Estill Suspect Is Wanted By Feds

After Irvine Police arrested a man in the Westcare parking lot on Main Street early Thursday, they discovered he was a wanted man.

Officer Jeff Knuckles observed a 2000 Nissan parked Thursday, January 16 in the parking lot of Westcare on Main Street.

The citation states that Timothy Paul Johnson, 42, of Sunrise Valley Road, Irvine, was inside the vehicle.

Officer Knuckles stated that Johnson had slurred speech and was unsteady on his feet.

The officer also noted that Johnson had white residue in his nostrils. Knuckles said Johnson told him that he had been snorting lortabs.

Officer Knuckles charged Johnson with public intoxication.

Through the investigation,

Irvine Police discovered that Johnson was wanted by the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms on a warrant for conspiracy to distribute oxycodone.

Johnson was also served with necessary paperwork regarding a warrant of extradition.

IPD Chief Brad Smith stated the warrant of extradition was confirmed through the National Criminal Database.

Third Degree Burglary

An Estill County man was arrested last Wednesday, January 15 and charged with third degree burglary by Kentucky State Police.

The man was identified as Otis Dale Dunaway, 39, of 10500 Winchester Road, Irvine.

The arrest warrant was served on Dunaway by Trooper Ken Bradley at the Clark County Jail.

A copy of the warrant was not available, but third degree burglary is used when break-ins occur at buildings that are not residential, such as out-buildings, storage buildings, garages, and even businesses and churches.

The citation states the burglary occurred on Hargett Parvin Road on March 26, 2013 and was investigated by Trooper Glen Reed.

It is not known exactly why Dunaway is in the Clark County Jail. He and several other people were arrested in Clay City in early August.

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Students from West Irvine Elementary read to board members from books that are part of the new Literacy by Design reading program.



ABOVE: The Estill County Courthouse was photographed by Larry Arvin on Tuesday morning. Teresa Sparks says, "Snow might be yucky, but our courthouse is beautiful!" **RIGHT:** Winchester Road on Tuesday morning. **BELOW:** A temperature reading at Citizens Guaranty Bank on Monday.



Obituaries

- Clifton Callahan, 84
 - Betty Lou Coffey, 70
 - Ronnie Gross, 37
 - Cornelia Hale, 91
 - Laura Mayabb, 93
 - Lois Jean Morris, 60
 - Nancy Riddell, 64
 - Barbara Smith, 78
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