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Estill Lady Patriots Playing In A "Dream Season"

record of 23 wins and only 3 Conference tournament. losses has kept fans cheering and coaches smiling.

loss to North Laurel (5-4), wins in a row. A nail-biting middle of Estill's lineup. foe Caudill put the brakes Sarah Wiseman are hitting together and went back to 74 runs. work, winning 11 of the next 12 games.

Lady Patriots brought home hardware championship from three different tournaments, Clark Moores Lady Braves Championship Classic, Caudill Invitational, ly .300 as well. Taylor has

The Estill County Middle and the Jackson City Invi- provided some power with a encouragement and support. seed in the four team tourney School Lady Patriots Fast- tational. ECMS finished the 3-run "bomb" in the Jackson pitch Softball team has just Commonwealth Conference City Championship game. completed one of, if not season with an outstanding "The" best regular seasons 7-1 record which gave them ers Lindsey Isfort, Hannah in Estill middle school histo- the number two seed for the Spivey, and Savannah Mize ry. Their final regular season upcoming Commonwealth

The Lady Patriots offensive punch comes from After a season opening three "veteran" eighth graders that combine to make the Lady Pats reeled off 12 a "Murderer's Row" in the 10-9 home loss to conference Kelly Lay, Kaley Covey, and on Estill's win streak. The for a combined .434 batting Hardy and Kayleigh Angel Ladies pulled themselves average and have driven in

In the leadoff spot, Amelia Farmer's blinding speed has During the season, the carried her across the plate 35 times as well as approaching the .400 ba mark. Corner infielders Taylor Duechle and Alyssa Sparks have seen their averages climb to near-

Eighth grade outfieldcontinue to provide leadership with timely hits and efficient defense.

If we are talking defense, second baseman Lindsey Wood continues to find her glove lined with gold as she makes play after play all over the field.

Seventh graders Elizabeth provide solid defense and offense in their reserve roles.

We all know that pitchponents with their heat and Conference made them look foolish with semi-finals. their off-speed "stuff." The 21 games allowing 2 runs or Get 'Em Next Year!" less.

Commonwealth

and traveled to Caudill. With ing and defense wins games. a win, they could advance to Well, pitching has been the the championship game, but strength of this Lady Patriots the ECMS Lady Patriots "B" team. Kelly Lay and Kaley fell in a heartbreaker to Cau- congratulations should go to Covey have blown away op- dill, 6-5, in the Commwealth the coaches, who have led Tournament

The "B" ladies finish their numbers will tell the story: regular season with a record 240 strikeouts in 130 innings of 9 wins and 6 losses. The pitched, Earned Run Aver- future looks bright as these age-1.20, Walks/Hits Inn. 6th and 7th graders continue Pitched- .885. This pair has to improve. Congratulations a combined 8 shutouts and on a great season and "Go

Tourney action for the Conference Con- "A" team began Tuesday Unfortunately, one eighth ference Tournament action night @ Estill County as grader broke her foot before began Monday night with the Lady Patriots hosted "A" vs Madison Middle the season began. Taylor the "B" teams taking cen- Madison Middle. A victory Tuesday 5:30 @ Estill Co. "Gibbie" Gibson continues ter stage. ECMS "B" team over Madison would allow to show leadership with her began play as the number 3 ECMS to host another home

game in the tournament. If the A-team advanced, the finals will be played at Farristown Middle School.

A world of thanks and these ladies in the right direction. Thank You Danny Wood, Bob Young, Brian Covey, Mike Lay, and Keith Adams. You should be proud of this group of ladies.

Please, come out and support the Lady Patriots as they try to accomplish their season goals, Commonwealth Tournament Champions!!

ECMS Lady Patriots (a) Kiwanis Park.

June 14th Holes for Hoops

The Estill County Boys son or \$200. for a team of hositng a "Holes For Hoops" Golf Scramble on Saturday, ty Golf Course. Entry fee is \$50 per per-

Basketball supporters will be four. There will be all kinds of prizes. Come out and support the

June 14th at the Estill Coun- boys basketball program at Estill County High.

Woman dies following wreck

An Estill County mother died Friday from injuries that she received in a wreck.

Deputy Sheriff Randy Farthing investigated the one vehicle crash on the Winchester Road (Highway 89), about seven miles north of Irvine.

The report says that Lula Lutes, 76, was driving south toward Irvine on the Winchester Road around 2:03 p.m. The 2002 Ford Ranger she was driving dropped off the right side of the road. It many days there. went over an embankment and struck a tree.

according to the report. The worker in next Tuesday's cause of the accident remains primary election. under investigation.

Blackson-Thomas was pronounced deceased at the hospital at 3:11 p.m. Lutes was transferred to a Lexington hospital. Both women

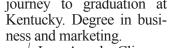
received internal injuries in the accident. The truck was damaged

very severely. Blackson-Thomas was very active in community events. In April, she acted in a mystery dinner theatre by the River City Players. As a hospital volunteer, she spent

Last Tuesday, she had attended election school. She There were no skid marks was planning to be a precinct

This was Estill's second Lutes and her passenger, highway fatality for 2014.

Bob Watkins' **Sports In Kentucky** Is it just me or is the sports landscape a screwball swirl of craziness?



owner Don Sterling apolo- to discard since, for safety end. His wife said he's ages with broken glass." showing early signs of dementia.

Tuesday it was clear their NBA draft, from FedEx. attempt to mollify the golden goose (players, mer- of Trustees member Jonachandisers, NBC and spon- than Blue offered a \$3,000 sors), by banishing Sterling seemed noble at the time, but two weeks on looks to be another knee jerk deci- low who grew up poor in sion that will enrich another parade of lawyers.

 $\sqrt{\text{NFL Draft. A month mode in eastern Europe}}$, and the North Korean lead-

journey to graduation at working closely with se-Kentucky. Degree in busi- curity to further investigate college baseball players, this matter. The damaged women's softball, et cetera, $\sqrt{\text{Los Angels Clippers}}$ merchandise was marked gized and begged the NBA precautions, our employees what salaried pay could for forgiveness last week- are trained not to open pack- mean for the college game:

COMMENT: as if Russ Smith will be \sqrt{NBA} owners? By getting a bonus before the sports management at Drex-

reward for the missing jer-

 $\sqrt{\text{Good news from a fel-}}$ Mississippi. UK assistant basketball coach Kenny $\sqrt{}$ With hundreds of kid- Payne has a two-year congoing with a draft still a napped teens still miss- tract extension and new tiing in Nigeria, and Vladi- tle associate head coach on mir Putin still in full bully his resume'. Payne will be due a million dollars, plus incentives.

COMMENT: Hunch where by next spring. Head coach of his own program.

No numbers either for et cetera.

NBC News report asked

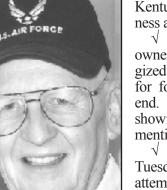
"The bidding war for Looks athletes would likely be in the millions," a professor of el said. "However, I think Meanwhile, UofL Board it all depends on whether or not a players' association ends up representing the teams and players. The salaries could be effectively bargained to have some sort of minimum guaranteed salary for all."

> Imagine, minimum guaranteed salary for, say George Fant at Western Kentucky or Cory Walden at Eastern Kentucky.

America, I love this place.

WORTH REPEATING DEPT.

Next date on the sports $\sqrt{\text{In Louisville, UofLan-calendar, the NBA's June}}$ nounced another five per draft, brought to mind a



Bob Watkins

Peculiar, the times we live in.

The sports landscape is a screwball swirl of craziness, and the NBA is still month away.

Observations ...

ago Johnny Manziel warned the Texans they'd ership threatening to set be sorry if they didn't draft off a nuke, President of the here, Payne will be elsehim. A week ago ex-Ala- United States took time to bama quarterback A.J. Mc- telephone congratulations Carron, (three national title to a player chosen in the rings in his pocket), and NFL draft.

Ora Lee Blackson-Thomas, The other fatality was less 84, were transported by am- than a month ago, on April bulance to Marcum & Wal- 10. Complete obituary inforlace Hospital.

mation appears on Page 2.

Man gets more charges when IPD serves warrant

grand jury last Tuesday faces two additional charges after Irvine Police served the indictment warrant on Wednesday.

Sgt. Mike Gross served suboxone strip). the warrant on Glenn Newton, 60, of Church House charges, an arrest war-Hill, Irvine. Before enter- rant was issued on Newton ing the jail, the officer said by District Judge William Newton was asked if he had any knives, guns, or drugs on him, and he said no.

While being searched by the jailer, Gross said one ment also served indictment packet of suboxone was found in a small baggie in Newton's underwear. Suboxone is a schedule 3 controlled substance.

Newton was charged with staring on page 1.

A man indicted by the promoting contraband, first degree..

> IPD Chief Brad Smith charged Newton with possession of a controlled substance, second degree (the

Because of the new Leach. It says that Newton has violated the conditions of MCR.

The Irvine Police Departwarrants on Justin Roberts, Michael C. Friend, Steven W. Gross and Bradley J. Young. For their indictment charges, please see article

projected to be picked 16 to 35th, heard his name called member how Tim Tebow at 164. Why the free fall? McCarron was said to be 'too cocky."

Cleveland where expectations are open like the shark face in Jaws. Too, was 15 years ago Browns fans put weight-of-the-world another rookie QB. Tim Couch. We know how that worked out.

in college hoops, Bleacher Report ranked 14 "best college coaches without a job." Three have ties to the Bluegrass State. No. 12 is Billy Gillispie, No. 4 is Darrin Horn and No. 2 Rick Stansbury.

better off at ESPN, Stans- to a Pro Sports Daily report, should shop for another kind of work.

 $\sqrt{\text{UK}}$ basketball sophomore-to-be Dominic Hawkins is in China this week, as part of a cultural exchange. THIS is educa- jersey. Same stains, same tion. The Richmond native rips, same odor, same evwill never be the same.

 $\sqrt{}$ Ex-Wildcat Jodie that." Meeks made the last walk

 $\sqrt{\text{Reader writes: "Re-$

tian faith, especially in the NFL? Today, people are basically because Sam is and adds four five-star gay."

2014-15 was projected to day in May UofL was listed a year off." $\sqrt{\text{Proof it's a slow time}}$ among top eight overrated teams for next season.

> $\sqrt{}$ Shipping company FedEx lost All-American lege-players push, Drexel Russ Smith's framed Uni- University and the National versity of Louisville game Collegiate Players Assojersey?

Russdiculous had shipped his treasure home **COMMENT:** Horn is to Brooklyn, but, according damaged with broken glass, and tossed the package in

Smith tweeted FedEx, "There will be plenty of returned to Kansas, \$1.6 problems if I don't have my

last Sunday on a seven year run-around spin: "We are at Louisville.

cent tuition hike.

 $\sqrt{\text{In Elizabethtown, cit-}}$ was ridiculed for his Chris- ing these statistics - UK re- the NBA I wouldn't want turns 59 percent of its scor- a 19-year-old or a 20-yearing (1,773), 67 per cent of old kid, to bring into all the $\sqrt{\text{Manziel}}$ is headed to praising the St. Louis Rams its assists (300) and 54 per travel and all the problems and (draftee) Michael Sam cent of its rebounds (872), freshmen, will have nine "I'd want a much more $\sqrt{10}$ On a Tuesday in April McDonalds All-Americans, mature kid. I would want on Rick Pitino's Louisville a Big Blue fan said, "Looks a kid that maybe I've been like the 40-0 talk before last be Top 15 team. On a Tues- season may have been just and now he's 21, 22 years

 \sqrt{As} part of the pay-colciation did a survey: How much would a collegiate player be worth on an open market?

Average for men's colbury is retired, and Gillispie FedEx lost it, then found it lege basketball player: lished a Career-Cast list of \$375,000.

> Average college football player, \$178,000.

million, Johnny Manziel at Texas A&M, \$547,000.

erything. Can't duplicate dollar value was reported for, say Breanna Stewart at FedEx was already in UConn or Shoni Schimmel

Bob Knight assessment.

"If I were involved with that exist in the NBA.

watching on another team old instead of 18 or 19, and And, my favorite today I might trade for that kid.

> "On top of it all, the NBA does a tremendous, gigantic disservice to college basketball. It's as though they've raped college basketball in my opinion."

PARTING SHOT

Forbes Magazine pub-America's best and worst jobs in 2014.

Best: Mathematician fol-If Andrew Wiggins had lowed by college professor (tenured).

Worst: Lumberjack, newspaper reporter, enlist-No survey results for ed military, taxi driver and chef. Last on this list: corrections officer.

And so it goes.

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2	10	4	6	8
6	8	2	10	4
10	4	6	8	2

Stickeler's Answer

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the trash.