



Warner graduates U.S. Navy boot camp
Page 2



Three former coaches honored
Page 15

50¢
INC 3 TAX IN KY
0 4 8 7 9 2 0 4 5 5 8

The Estill County Tribune

EstillTribune.Com

VOLUME 39, NUMBER 14 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2020 IRVINE & RAVENNA, KENTUCKY 40336 16 PAGES

Robber is killed; 2 others are shot

The Kentucky State Police, Richmond Post is conducting an investigation following an attempted armed robbery that occurred around midnight Tuesday on Richmond Road, just west of Irvine.

The attempted robbery occurred about four miles from Irvine where a strip of small businesses are located, near the Pea Ridge Road exit.

The initial investigation indicates that three armed men entered a residence occupied by two individuals, at which time an altercation occurred and multiple shots were fired.

As a result, all three alleged attempted robbers were shot. One man was fatally injured and was pronounced deceased at the scene by the Estill County Coroner.

The two other men were transported to the University of Kentucky Hospital with life-threatening injuries. The two occupants inside the residence were not injured during the incident.

No charges have been filed at this time, and KSP is not searching for any

additional suspects.

Additional information may be released as it becomes available.

The ongoing investigation is being conducted by KSP Post 7 Detective Austin Brashear.

He was assisted at the scene by KSP personnel, Estill County Sheriff's Office, Irvine Police Department, Estill County EMS, and the Estill County Coroner.

Former resident found dead Sat.

The body of a former Irvine resident was found in a wooded area Saturday off Troy Road in Woodford County.

Police say that Robin Hedger, 35, was originally from Irvine, but had moved to Lexington.

The Versailles Police Department is investigating Hedger's death as a homicide.



Grover McKinney spent last Wednesday morning picking up trash along the Winchester Road near the Estill County High School. He avoided the water in the ditch line where the tall grasses flourish.

Estill County remains hot spot for Covid-19

Estill County remains in the red zone because of the number of new corona virus cases.

There were 25 new cases in the last week, from Monday to Monday.

September had over 100 new cases, with 107 diagnosed. Many of those cases came from Irvine Health and Rehab Center, from both residents and staff.

Estill's first case was diagnosed at the end of

May. There were three more cases in June. The virus picked up in July with 21 victims.

Another 61 victims came down with the corona virus in August.

The state Cabinet for Health and Family Services reported Monday that one resident at Irvine Health and Rehab was newly diagnosed with corona virus.

CHFS said that corona virus remained active in 22 residents, while 29 had recovered.

A total of 55 residents have tested positive. The facility houses about 90 residents.

On a sadder note, the state is reporting that four residents at the health care facility who

were diagnosed as positive have died.

Twenty staff members at Irvine Health & Rehab have also tested positive. Only three of those staffers have active corona virus.

Covid-19 #s

As of Mon. Oct. 5

Tested - 2298

Negative - 2085

Pending - 1

Active + - 35

Ever + - 212

Recovered - 177

New Cases - 25

McKinneys pick up trash on over 20 miles of road

For the last 22 years, Grover McKinney of Barnes Mountain has been picking up trash in Estill County through the Adopt A Road program.

McKinney earns money for the Barnes Mountain Community Group by picking up the trash.

Judge/Executive Donnie Watson said the groups are paid \$75 a mile to pick up trash on both sides of the road.

County Treasurer Freida Lancaster said the groups may pick up as many as three times a year if funds are available.

Last Wednesday, McKinney was picking up near the Estill County High School on Winchester Road. He stated that the group picks up ten miles on

that road, and another ten miles on Barnes Mountain Road.

They also have a few short sections on other roads they pick up on.

At one time, the Blue Ridge RDF Landfill employees picked up the garbage along the Winchester Road where McKinney was picking up last week.

School groups also participated in the Adopt A Highway program until the school board decided a few years ago for safety reasons the students could no longer pick up roadside trash.

It was a good day for McKinney to be picking up trash. The weather was cooler, and the roadside had been recently mowed.

Continued on Page 2

Obituaries
Bettye Edwards, 85
Norma Graham, 87
Arine Henry, 88
Lucy Martin, 76
Randy Rainer, 63
Leon Roberts, 85
Douglas Shean, 55
See Page 6
Shirley Walters, 78
Mark Watts, 55
See Page 6
See Updated Obits
EstillTribune.Com



Early voting starts in Estill County on Tuesday for the November General Election. Please wear masks and practice social distancing when you go to vote.



Early voting begins next Tuesday at the former BB&T Bank Building across from the Estill County Courthouse. Registered voters can walk in and vote between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays, and between 8 and noon on Saturdays, until election day.