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**Engineers Baseball Coach Blake Crowe**  
 Photo Submitted by Jimmy Benton

# Coach is electrocuted

**"Live for today. Tomorrow is never promised" -- Coach Crowe**

Blake Crowe, Estill County High School's baseball coach, was killed Sunday night in an accident at his residence. Electrocution is suspected as the cause of his death after a flag pole fell during a storm.

Crowe was named Estill's baseball coach two years ago, but his team did not get to play last season because of Covid-19 restrictions.

Crowe's older son played a T-ball game Sat-

urday when the season opened at Kiwanis ball park. The ball park had been cleaned up after flooding three times in the spring.

The games followed the usual parade from Estill Springs Elementary to the ball park in Ravenna.

The Engineers were scheduled to play two games Saturday against Rowan County and Montgomery County, but Crowe asked if the games

could be delayed so he could watch his son play the T-ball game. His wish was granted.

Games on schedule for the Engineers this week have been cancelled.

Since Crowe's death, the Estill County baseball team has received hundreds of condolences from other schools, school districts and baseball teams.

"There are no words to describe our sincere condolences to the fam-

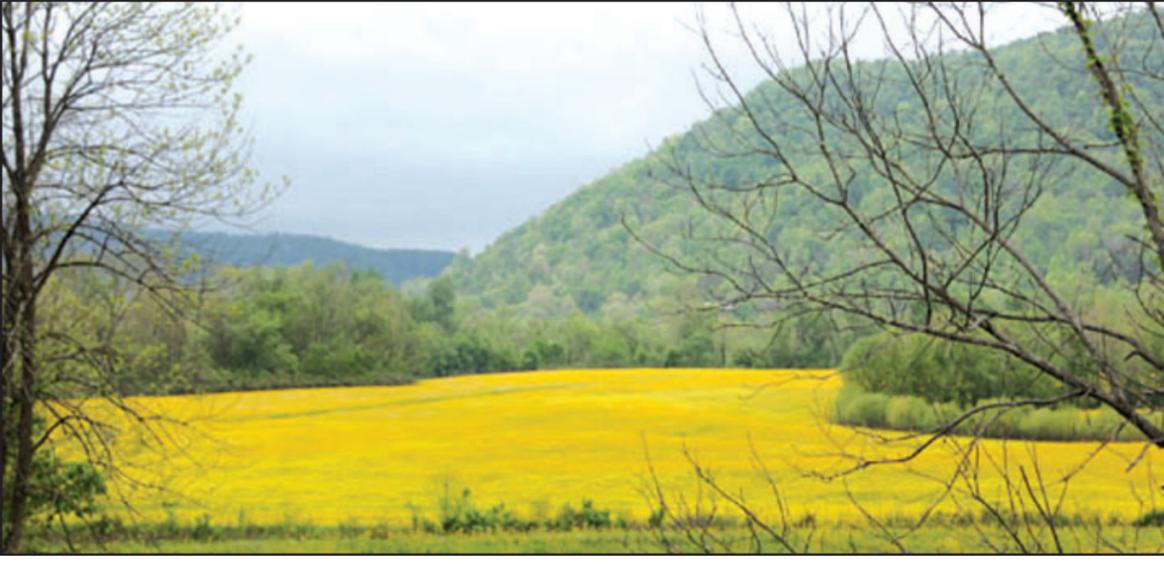
ily and friends of Estill County baseball coach Blake Crowe," wrote the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KH-SAA) on social media.

Region 14 competitor, Breathitt County, played Lee County's middle school and varsity teams in Jackson on Monday. They donated all gate proceeds and donations from the concession stand to Estill County's baseball team.

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**The Cubs paraded on Broadway in Irvine before Opening Day at Kiwanis Park**



**Fields in Estill County are now blooming in yellow, including this one at Millers Creek. Farmers need to determine if the yellow blooms are coming from buttercups, which are poisonous to cattle.**

## Officer charges man with Sunday burglary at adult care center

An Irvine man was arrested for third degree burglary early Sunday.

Irvine Officer James Marshall said he received a complaint from a concerned citizen that he had seen a man in front of Horizon Adult Center on Broadway.

The business is not open on Sundays.

The man reportedly had several items from inside the building, including a walker and electric wheel chair.

The officer stated the man was there when he arrived. He had gathered several items in a storage box including candy, food, and office supplies.

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## Priest-environmentalist addresses Ravenna council about planting trees in the park

by CATHY DAWES  
 Tribune Staffwriter

The Ravenna meeting on Monday night was called to order and prayer was held by Father Al from the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church where he has been a minister for the past 17 years.

He is also an environmentalist and said the church on 5th street is home to an herb garden where the Garden Thyme Herb Club holds their monthly meetings.

Father Al said with the

renovations getting ready to take place at the Ravenna Park would be the perfect opportunity to plant native trees in the park.

Mayor Valerie Flinchum said that she had had several people ask her about donating trees to be planted at the park in memory of a loved one.

Councilman Buford Powell said that Fire chief David Harvey had been working long hours washing curbs getting ready to paint. He also announced that Engine 5 was up and

running. The fire department has been able to purchase new equipment.

Mayor Flinchum said that there are 23 fire hydrants within the city and she would like to have local artists paint them.

She said they would set guidelines of how the hydrants should be painted and the city would supply the paint. Only residents of the city of Ravenna will be able to participate in the designs of the hydrants.

Flinchum said that she had been approached by

a man who had recently purchased a golf cart and was asked if he would be able to ride it on the streets of Ravenna.

Flinchum said that there is no ordinance in the book pertaining to golf carts and asked if the council would like her to contact the lawyer and have him draw up an ordinance that would allow residents to ride golf carts on the street as long as they had lights and proper signals.

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**Covid Report**  
 5/10/21  
**Active Cases**  
 28  
**Recovered**  
 1096  
**Deaths -- 14**  
**Total -- 1138**  
 For information on Covid shots, please call the Health Department at 723-5181. Shots are also available from some local pharmacies.