

# Estill girl battles rare disease

In 2008, Kiely Flynn’s family realized something was wrong with her. The usually funny, loud, intelligent, full of life little girl, had entered into what would later be described by her doctor as a “cave.” She was unable to make decisions on her own. She has fits of rage and extreme obsessive compulsive behaviors. After taking Kiely to her pediatrician, her family still had no diagnosis and no help in finding a cure. A nurse, and family friend, Jamie Ballard, shared some information she had recently read on PANDAS. PANDAS stands for pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infection. Realizing that Kiely had all the symptoms, Kiely’s family found help in Chicago, Illinois from a specialist, Dr. Kavocovic. Dr. K spent months helping Kiely get back to normal. He told her that the strep virus had attacked her brain instead of her throat. Her brain was inflamed, and that was causing her symptoms. After 2 day hospital stay and a

\$12,000 treatment of IVIG (antibodies from healthy people), Kiely recovered. She still has to be placed back on antibiotics when she is exposed to the strep virus. Unfortunately, insurance companies do not pay for treatment for PANDAS, so Kiely’s family, with the help of some great friends in our community, paid for the treatment.

Since that day, Kiely has had a heart for PANDAS. Research shows that 1 in 2000 children have PANDAS. Many go undetected because it is such a rare disease. Kiely is currently working on an FCCLA project to get information out to pediatricians and families in order to help children who are suffering. Kiely says that the saddest part of the two year journey was that she knew something was wrong with her. She felt alone, scared, and at times, she just wanted her life to be over. She was afraid she would never be “normal” again. As a part of her project, Kiely recently met with Judge Wallace Taylor to de-



**Estill County Judge Executive Wallace Taylor presents Kiely Flynn with a proclamation for PANDAS Awareness Day on Monday, October 9, 2017**

clare October, 9th 2017, as PANDAS Awareness Day in Estill County. Judge Taylor wrote the Proclamation, so Monday Oct. 9th will be PANDAS Awareness Day. Oct. 9th is the National PANDAS Awareness and PANDAS Patients all over America are asking that you wear green in support of this disease.

**Wanderings  
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Woods  
& Water  
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## Identity Crisis

**Keep all the victims of Las Vegas in your prayers.**

Girls identifying as boys. Boys identifying as girls. News media putting out fake news. Mass shootings. Over paid athletes kneeling for National Anthem. Police are bad and thugs are good.

Our country is in a major identity crisis. A lawyer from ABC tweeted that the people at concert deserved what they got, because they were mostly republicans. There is so much hate in the country. The hedge of protection we once had is now gone. It all has to do with identity.

I can remember in grade school starting the morning off with a Bible lesson. We stood and put our hand over our heart to proudly say the Pledge. I can remember in grade school if you acted bad you got a paddling. And for me my dad said if you get paddling at school you get one at home.

These days, God is not allowed in school. It’s the teacher fault if a kid doesn’t know how to behave. A paddling is

cruel and unusual punishment for kids. The psychologists that have no children want to dictate how to raise kids.

When I was in high school all my buddies and myself hunted. If it was hunting season we all had guns behind the seat of our trucks in the school parking lot. Everyone one of us carried a pocket knife. If we got mad at each other we didn’t stab or shoot each other. We either worked it out verbally or with our fist.

So, what has happened? Well I believe it’s an identity crisis. The country used to have its identity in Christ Jesus. These day the country identifies with, or as, everything under the sun but the SON. We are in trouble unless as a country we find our identity in Christ.

As for me my identity is in a Savior who died on a cross to Save me from my sins. My identity is in Christ Jesus. If your Identity is not in Jesus then it’s time for an identity change.

Until next week, get out and enjoy God’s creation!

# Marching Engineers Sweep AA

The Marching Engineers traveled to Morehead this past Saturday to compete in the MSU Blue and Gold Festival of Bands. After a great week of practice, the band felt prepared and anxious to take on the competition. This contest did not have a prelims/finals format, so the group had to give their all for the “one and done” performance....and the band did just that!

The improvement of the group as a whole this week was remarkable. The Marching Engineers once again swept class AA, and when the overall score tabulations were complete, the band was again named Reserve Grand Champions with the 2nd highest score out of all 15 bands, regardless of class.

In addition to this, the Color Guard

was awarded BEST OVERALL COLOR GUARD out of all competing bands.

The show is nearly complete and will be on full display at Friday night’s home football game. This coming Saturday, the Marching Engineers will make the short trip to Richmond to compete in the Madison Central Tournament of Bands.

# Boys, Girls Soccer Sweep Powell

**MIKE WISEMAN**  
**Estill Tribune Sportswriter**

The Estill County Boys and Lady Engineer Soccer teams put a “W” on their record as they took down the Pirates in both contests last week. The Lady Engineers would see their game extended to a shootout/penalty kick ending after a 1-1 tie through regulation and two overtime periods. Estill’s shooters would not miss and Senior GK S.Brewer would stop enough shots to take the win. J.Stone would score Estill’s lone goal in regulation. The Lady Engineers would drop their next game at Frankfort, 3-1. A.Farmer would put in Estill’s goal. The Ladies record now stands at 7-9 as they take on Marion County on Tuesday night at home for Senior Night.

The Boys team would put together a physical game on their home turf to take down the Pirates. The Engineer defense would be spectacular in this one as Powell would only score on an “own goal” and Estill would win, 2-1. D.Beeler would chest one in from short range and M.Woolery would put in the game winner. The Engineers would see their record go to 11-5 after an 8-0 blowout win against Harlan County.

Scoring for Estill in this one: J.Beeler- 2 goals, J.Rison- 1 goal, J.Crowe- 1 goal-2 assists, C.Muncie- 1 goal-2 assists, N.Hug- 1 goal, E.Isaacs- 1 goal, C.Hall- 1 goal, T.Sutter- 1 assist. The Engineers will play again on Tuesday night against Marion County on Senior Night. Come out and support the Boys/Girls Soccer teams. GO

BIG BLUE!!!

**Estill Volleyball’s Streak Comes to an End**

The Lady Engineers Volleyball Team saw their six game winning streak come to an end last week as they dropped a disappointing 3-0 decision to Powell County. After dropping two matches to Breathitt County on the road, the Ladies will try to stop the wrong kind of streak at Sayre on Thursday night. They will travel to Wolfe County on Monday night before returning home for the season finale against Berea on Oct. 10. Come out and support the Lady Engineer Volleyball Team. GO BIG BLUE!!!

See the Estill Volleyball team photos on Page 15 in this edition of The Estill County Tribune.

# Engineers Drop Game to Breathitt

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The Estill County Engineers Football team saw their season record drop to 1-5 after a loss on the road to the Bobcats of Breathitt County. This season has seen the team decimated by injuries and with inexperienced players logging some heavy minutes, mistakes are sure to happen.

Turnovers would be the story of this game with Estill putting the ball

on the turf twice deep inside the “red zone”. Another fumble along with two interceptions and seventeen penalties, Estill would seem to be involved in a blowout game. But the Engineer pride would shine through and the boys would keep it tight the entire game. BIG plays continue to haunt Estill as they gave up three plays of 50+ yards.

The Engineers will try to get back on the winning track this Friday night as they host District rival Powell

County at Hoover Niece Field. Come out with your BLUE on and support the Engineers Football team.

GO BIG BLUE!!!

Stats: Rushing- J.Stamper 32- 226 yds, 2 TD, C.Clem- 14- 101 yds, J.O’Hair- 15- 52 yds, L.Stevenson- 6- 27 yds, E.Haskell- 3- 11 yds, TD.

Defense: J.Watkins- 8tkl, J.Stamper- 4tkl, D.Evans- 5tkl, T.Evans- 4tkl



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