

Engineers continue their winning ways

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The Estill County Engineers Boys Basketball team continued their winning ways this past week with easy wins over Lee County and Garrard County.

The Engineers would easily take care of Lee with a 81-27 decision and more importantly a 2-0 record in District play. Estill would follow that win with a 67-41 dismantling of the Golden Lions of Garrard County. The Boys would jump out to a 22-10 lead at the half and never look back in this one.

The Engineers have won seven of their last eight games and see their season record jump to 9 wins and 6

losses. Estill seems to be hitting on all cylinders as they "welcome" rival Powell County in an always important District clash on Friday night. Estill will try to take control of the 56th District through the first round of games.

Put on your BLUE and come out and support the Engineers on Friday night for a Boys/Girls doubleheader with action starting at 6:00 pm. GO BIG BLUE!!!

Estill will be hosting the Powell County Pirates and Lady Pirates and as you know, the entire gym will be filled with black and red on the south and blue, white and black on the north.

However, Friday night's

game against Powell County will be a special night because it will also be a "PANDAmonium" in which the gym will be filled with those wearing PANDA shirts in recognition of a disease that has afflicted one of Estill's own, junior guard Kiely Flynn, who is sponsoring the event.

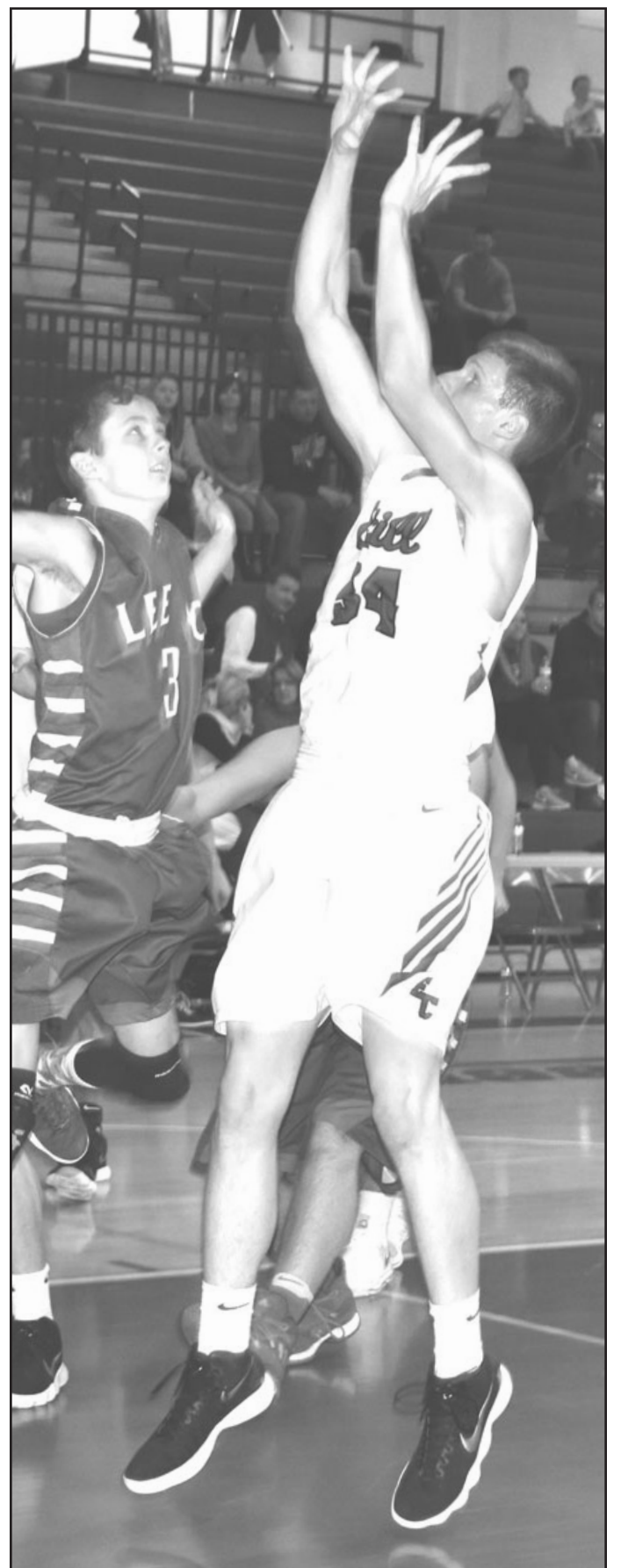
Flynn has suffered from the disease called P.A.N.D.A.S since she was 8 years old. It is very rare for a child to get the correct diagnoses or be able to get treated since costs for treatment is so expensive. Flynn was only recently diagnosed with the disease.

"It is my mission in life to help raise awareness and money for P.A.N.D.A.S so

we can help cure and treat other children," said Flynn. "I can't bear the thought of other children going through what I went through permanently."

"PANDA" shirts were preordered with the proceeds are going towards P.A.N.D.A.S. You may also donate in other ways, and if you do or just have special thoughts or prayers for Kiely, she says, "God bless!"

The Engineers will also be in action on Saturday as they take on Western Hills in the DMD Classic at Frankfort with action at 3:30 pm. The Engineers will also host Montgomery County on Tuesday night with varsity action at 7:30 p.m.



The Estill Engineers' senior center Lane Doty shoots over Lee County freshman Budge Cox during Friday's game between the Engineers and the Bobcats.

Ladies Roll Over Montgomery

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The Estill County Lady Engineers saw their season record dip to 5-9 after two close losses and an easy win over Montgomery County. The Ladies would take on Nicholas County, who they had defeated earlier in the season by a single point.

It would be Estill that took the loss on this night as they squandered a thirteen point halftime lead to fall, 45-40. The Lady Engineer fans would get a few smiles on their faces as the Ladies put it on the Lady Indians of Montgomery County 58-40 with a monstrous 18 point -18 rebound game

from Amy Brewer. An always tough team, Madison Southern, traveled to Irvine on Monday night and came away with a hard fought win over Estill, 59-54. The Lady Engineers would scrap hard in this one but just could not get the ball to drop in the second half. The Ladies would claw back from an early 11 point deficit to take a lead and the game would be back and forth the rest of the way.

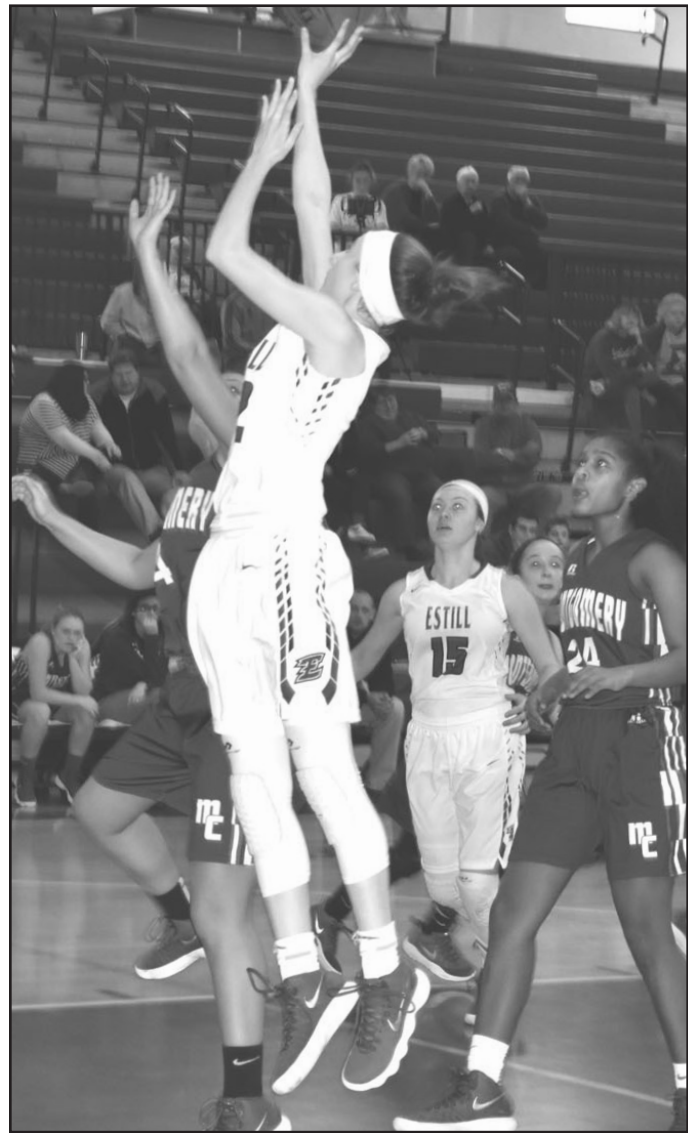
The Lady Engineers are continuing to look for that something to get them going in the tight games. Five of their nine losses have come in games decided by 5 points or less. The Ladies will expect another close one on Friday night as Powell County comes calling for an always exciting District game. The Ladies will try to get to 2-0 in District play with an upset win over

Owsley County already under their belt. Come out and support the Lady Engineers. GOBIGBLUE!!! The Lady Engineers will also be in action on Saturday afternoon as they host Rowan County at 2:00 pm. The Ladies will travel to take on Lexington Catholic on Tuesday night with action at 7:30.

Estill 40, Nicholas 45
Scoring: S. Brewer - 6 pts, M. Bellamy - 9 pts, K. Flynn - 8 pts, A. Brewer - 13 pts, K. Riddell - 4 pts.

Estill 58, Mont. 40
Scoring: M. Bellamy - 8 pts, A. Brewer - 18 pts, 18 reb, S. Brewer - 12 pts, K. Flynn - 4 pts, 6 reb, M. Hale - 8 pts, K. Riddell - 6 pts, M. Riddell - 1 pt, E. Winkle - 1 pt.

Estill 54, South. 59
Scoring: M. Bellamy - 10 pts, S. Brewer - 15 pts, K. Flynn - 4 pts, A. Brewer - 16 pts, M. Hale - 5 pts, K. Riddell - 4 pts.



Lady Engineers senior Savannah Brewer puts up a soft shot against the Lady Indians on Saturday. Soph. Kaylee Riddell (#15) is in the background.



Engineers' junior Logan Napier sweeps past Lee County sophomore Eliot Cox for the score during Friday's game between Estill and the Bobcats.



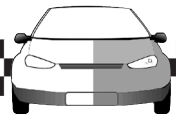
Estill freshmen Coben Clem and other younger players got some valuable varsity experience on Friday against the Lee County Bobcats.

ESTILL DEMOCRAT MEETING

Estill County Democrat Executive Committee will be meeting January 18th at 6PM at the Estill County Public Library. This committee meets every third Thursday of the month. All Democrats are invited. Hope to see you there.

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