



ABOVE: Left to right, first row: Kate Marshall, Braelynn Hoke, Taylor Gilbert, Havyn Reynolds. Middle row: Chloe Marshall, Dalton Trimble, Kylie Trimble, Grace Hall, Rylee Hoke. Last row: Luke Hughes, Stephanie Quick, Shelby Thomas, and Leslie Harris. (Photo courtesy of Leslie Harris)

River City Players Presents The Magical Land of Oz

ATTENTION CITIZENS OF ESTILL COUNTY! There will be torrential rain and heavy winds blowing through the Estill County Auditorium on Friday, August 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 25th at 3:00 p.m. Come out and let River City Player's youth blow you away with their performance of The Magical Land of Oz by Tim Kelly, and produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service. Ticket prices are \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 dollars for students, and 5 and under watch free of charge. We can't wait to see you out supporting growth in our youth arts program. For more information please contact (606) 723-8746 or leslieharris40336@gmail.com.

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Evans was among 25 high school students from 19 Kentucky counties to attend ELI, a summer youth leadership program for aspiring student entrepreneurs, held July 22-26 at The Center in Somerset.

ELI is an intensive week-long program focused on developing creativity, teamwork, and business and leadership skills. Students work together in business teams to develop a written business concept for a new business venture or product idea.

Shelton Ansley of Kentucky Highlands Investments Corp. taught the curriculum for this year's program and helped students prepare to present their business plans before a panel of judges at the ELI Business Concept Challenge Competition.

Evans, a member of the ELI business team, "The Start Up," pitched a business idea for a nonprofit organization that would provide struggling entrepreneurs with a low-cost storefront and access to experienced business mentors to help them get started with their business in Eastern Kentucky.

"This year's Entrepreneurial Leadership Institute (ELI) was an exceptional testament to the talents of our youth and the region's next generation of business leaders and entrepreneurs," said Lonnie Lawson, President and CEO of The Center for Rural Development. "We need bold, innovative ideas to grow the economy of Southern and Eastern Kentucky. It was encouraging to see these students come up with ideas to make our region more eco-friendly and address some of the challenges they see as



Lonnie Lawson, President and CEO of The Center for Rural Development, and Allison Cross, Community Liaison and Youth Programs Coordinator for The Center, present 2019 ELI graduate Summer Evans with a certificate for completing the program. Evans is a student at Estill High School.

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Each of the five ELI business teams presented their business ventures or product ideas to a panel of judges acting as potential business investors on the final day of the program at the ELI Business Concept Challenge Competition for a chance to win a college

scholarship offer. Each member of the winning team will receive a \$16,000 Provost scholarship offer from Eastern Kentucky University.

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Kentucky Highlands Investment Corp. and Eastern Kentucky University.

For more information on ELI, contact Allison Cross, community liaison and youth programs coordinator, at 606-677-6000, across@centertech.com, or visit www.centeryouthprograms.com.

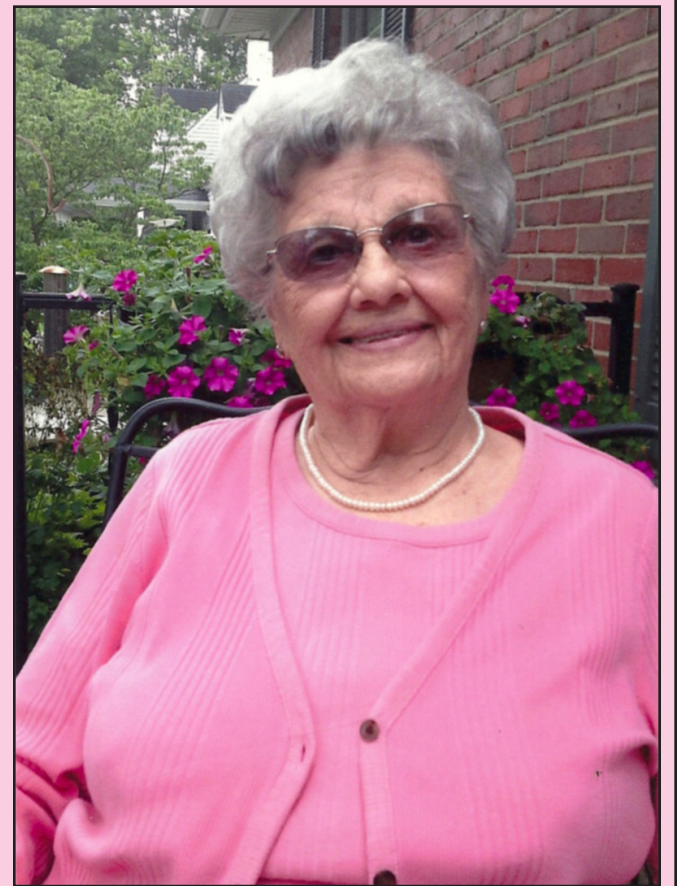
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Taryn Beall, left, took first place during the 9-11 year old Trap division at the Invitational. Cheyenne Lamb, right, placed second in the girls 15-18 year old Trap-contest. Lamb, along with Kendall Murphy, took first place in the Buddy Shoot which consists of a 4-H youth and adult. (Estill Extension photo)

Estill Native Grace Berryman Celebrates 105th Birthday



Grace Berryman

Grace Berryman of Winchester, pictured above at age 100, formerly of Estill County, celebrated her 105th birthday with family and friends who dropped by her home on Sunday. She lives alone but receives regular visits from family members. Grace was born August 11, 1914 in Estill County, on Cressy Road, to George Jackson and Mae Shepherd Allen. According to the 1920 Census, she was the youngest of seven children, including Elmer 18, Ethel 15, Noomie 14, Linnie 12, Daisie 10, Willie 7, and Gracie 5. In 1930, only Grace and Willie are listed at home. Shopping in those days meant going to a store and post office at Iron Mound, a half mile away, that was operated by the Stone family. There were two schools in the community, each a half mile away, at Bonnie (near Iron Mound) and the Ivory Hill School, south of her home. Most students walked to school at that time. Grace's daughter, Freida Creech, said they were allowed to go to either school they chose. Grace married on December 23, 1931 to Sheridan Berryman. He passed away in 2006 at the age of 95. Grace's parents also both lived to relatively good ages. Her father died in 1954 at age 82, and her mother, known in the community as "Mammie Mae," passed away in 1972 at the age of 90.



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