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Reynolds ousts Williams from school boa

By JOHN A. NELSON

Danny Reynolds of Ravenna unseated School Board Chairman Don Williams in Tuesday's election, beating the incumbent by 104 votes.

Reynolds won by healthy margins in every District 3 precinct but one, Barnes Mountain, where he lost by

nine votes.

District 3 consists of Rayen-District 3 consists of Rayen-na, where both candidates reside, Millers Creek, Cow Creek and Barnes Mountain. At a victory party Tuesday night, Reynolds said he was "tickled."

"tickled."
"I worked hard," he said,
"and I earned it. I beat a good
man. I just pray that I can
represent the people the way

they want. When they have problems, they need to see me, and they need to feel free to

see me."
"There's a million people I could thank," he added.
Williams is in his 20th year as a school board member and has been board chairman for about 12 of those years. In an interview in September, he said he had planned to stay on

children in school."

Williams has a daughter who is a junior at Estill County High School. In the September interview he made note of that and said, "I thought I'd run one more time."

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Joe Lambert soundly defeated Charles A. Luker in Still County High School. In the Supreme Court Justice in the Sard Supreme Court District, and Supreme Court District, Tord Supreme Court District, or Strong Supreme Court

time."
The only other school board race this year was in District 5, consisting of the Red Lick and West Irvine precincts, where incumbent Wayne

and West Irvine precincts, where incumbent Wayne Gentry faced two unsuccessful challengers in Donald Wayne Richardson and Greg Wright.

Gentry retained his seat on the board, which he has held for 17 vé and which was held by his father before him, by only 30 votes over Richardson.

Gentry carried both precincts.

Wright finished third, only 38 votes behind Richardson. It was Wright's first bid for the office, Richardson's second.

In statewide and regional elections, U.S. Representative Harold Rogers, State Senator John "Eck" Rose and State Representative Clarence Noland Jr. ran unopposed on he held to strein their carts. Noland Jr. ran unopposed on the ballot to retain their seats. R.W. Dyche III was also unop-posed for a spot as a judge on the Kentucky Court of Ap-

Democratic Sen. Wendell Ford also carried Estill County soundly, beating Republican Jackson M. Andrews 1,424 to

The two proposed constitutional amendments did not fare well with local voters. Amendment #1, the proposal to make the state superintendent of public instruction an appointed rather than elected possion, was beaten here by more than a 2 to 1 margin, 1,022 to 465.

Amendment #2 was not as strongly opposed here, but was defeated, nonetheless. That amendment called for a provision allowing mayors of first class cities to succeed themselves.

County Court Clerk Dora County Court Clerk Dora Henry called Tuesday's turnout "fair." She said the school board races brought more people to the polls. "If we'd had a school board race in every precinct, we would have had a better turnout," she said. Some feared a light turnout locally when two members of

the Estill Cour Corrections, J. W. Henders and Floyd Newton Jr., resined on Oct. 29 because t county does not provilability insurance for boa

Local and state officials sured voters in news report that the election would go as planned, and new a pointees to the board we

sought.

Tuesday's election w
made legal by an appointme
made late last week, Hen
said, which provided t
county with three comm
sioners and a quorum of t
four-member board.

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souts was Democrat Herm sought.

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spots was Democrat Herm Harrison, who said Tuesd night that the lack of liabil insurance did not worry him "I'm not going to do at thing wrong, anyway," he sa "I told them (the other co missioners) that if they cot all go to jail, I could, too." Harrison said he was concerned because the boahad never had insurar before and that has yet cause problems for comm sioners.

It is the duty of the cour board of elections to cert vote tabulations.

SCHOOL BOARD RACE Wright Williams 261 Gentry 230 District Three

Murder trial delayed by faulty furnace: county finds insurance

The wheels of justice froze to a standstill last Monday, as Circuit Court Judge Edward Jackson rescheduled a murder trial-because of the lack of

The trial of Clifton Earl Hunt was rescheduled for Dec.

1' because Jackson found the courtroom, too cold for the jury's comfort.

Hunt has been indicted for murder and assault in the June 1 death of James A. Neal on Pea Ridge.

Until heat is restored to the courthouse, court will be held at the National Guard Armory in Ravenna.

The courthouse has been without heat since Oct. 15, when a pipe in the caste iron boiler burst, but County when a pipe in the caste iron boiler burst, but County Judge-Executive Ralph Mc-Clanahan said it could be another two weeks before heat is restored to the building. McClanahan said that it

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Gregory family seeking damages for death of son in bus accident

By BOB HERRON

A lawsuit seeking payment of damages has been filed by the parents of Gary Shawn Gregory against Isaacs Lumber Company, Bobby Isaacs and Earl Young.
Gregory is the Hargett Elementary student who was struck and killed by a truck on Aug. 21 while exiting a school bus less than a half mile from Irvine on Kentucky Highway 89.

He was nine years old.

He was nine years old.
The truck was owned by the
Isaacs Lumber Company and
was being driven by Earl
Young, 49.
The eight count lawsuit alleges that Earl Young
operated the truck in "a
negligent, reckless or wanton
manner so as to cause it (the

truck) to strike and kill..."

Gregory.

The lawsuit also claims that The lawsuit also claims that the defendants (Young, Isaacs and Isaacs Lumber Company) "...should have known that the 1976 Chevrolet truck...was defective in that the truck's brake system was inoperative or failing and they knowingly placed said vehicle on the roads of this Commonwealth in such a defective condition and such acts were willful and wanten." wanton...

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Gregory's parents, Dorothy
and Gary, are asking for: compensatory damages for the estate of the decendant in an
amount in excess of \$2,500;
damages for the loss of companionship of their decendant
in an amount excess of \$2,500;
funeral excess of \$2,500;
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funeral excess in \$4,500; funeral expenses in the sum of \$15,000; punitive damages in a sum in excess of \$2,500 and

all other relief to which they and the estate are entitled.

The Gregorys are also asking for a trial by jury.

According to the report filed by Kentucky State Police Trooper Phillip Becknell, the vehicle's brakes failed to stop the truck, so Young swerved to the left to miss the bus and then struck Gregory.

Gregory was pronounced

then struck Gregory.

Gregory was pronounced dead on arrival at Marcum-Wallace Memorial Hospital from massive internal injuries.

Young was subsequently charged with reckless homicide and lodged in the Estill County Jail. He was released on the same day on \$2,500 cash bond. The charge is still pending, according to the Estill circuit clerk's office.

The death was reportedly

The death was reportedly the first school bus related fatality in Estill County.



Ernest "Chock " Muncie and Amanda Francis Morris were killed when fire engulfed this tro on Hood Avenue Sunday night. Investigators say the two were probably overcome by fur from a couch which was set afire by a smoldering cigarette.

Trailer fire kills Irvine couple

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Preliminary investigations show that the fire which caused two people's deaths and burned a trailer in the trailer park on Hood Avenue Sunday could have been started by a cigarette, according to State Police Arson Investigator Mike

Police Arson investigator mike Leonard.

Leonard said that his inves-tigation didn't turn up any evidence that electrical wiring or a gas stove in the trailer had anything to do with the fire.

had anything fire.

The two who were found dead in the trailer have been identified as Ernest "Chock" Muncie, 73, and Amanda Frances Morris 56.

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Toler said that his preliminary
indings show the couple died
from smoke inhalation, but
that conclusion will not be
made final until after an
autopsy is performed in Louisville

Speculation was raised that foul play may have been involved because Morris was lying

on the couch and Muncie was sitting in a chair next to the door, but Leonard said that in

all probability a cigarette had fallen onto the couch.

Leonard said that the couple's proximity to the door had nothing to do with whether they could have fled the fire because chemicals citizen of feast the levels. the fire because chemicals given off from the burning foam rubber of the couch could have lulled the couple to sleep.

Leonard likened the effect of

the near-odorless fumes to carbon monoxide from a car.

"If you are in your car and have a leak in the muffler system, the fumes can get in the car and knock you out," Leonard said.

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Leonard said the couple could have been sitting in the living room watching television when the fumes dazed

They could have been slightly awake, but not fully aware of what was going on, he said.

he said.
As to the cause of the fire
Leonard said "it was probably
from a cigarette from the
ashtray
couch."

Leonard said the filter er of several cigarettes w found underneath the co and that area has been det mined to be where the

Rogers said the Irvine F Rogers said the Irvine F
Department received the at 8:30 p.m. when a volunt
fireman, traveling on Ky,
saw the smoke and radioed
the station for help.

Both Irvine and Es County fire departme responded to the call

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Rogers said he calls state police whenever works a large fire or one t causes a fatality.

Muncie, a retired driver, and Morris, a for waitress, had been mar previously, and had children: Lonnie Muncie Harold Muncie, both of Irvi

Morris also had a son, La Daniels of Irvine, by anot marriage. Funeral serv were held yesterday at Lewis Funeral Home, and couple was buried in Cr Cemetery in Ravenna.



Victoria Fave Spencer

Estill 15-year-old missing since last Friday afternoon A 15-year-old Estill County High School student has been She was last seen wearing High School student has been reported missing. Victoria Faye "Vicki" Spen-cer was last seen at the high school on Oct. 31, according to Irvine Police Officer Dan Fer-

She was last seen wearing white pants, a pink blouse and is reported to have a change of clothes and a red carrying bag made of canvass or nylon, said Ferguson.

"She is being handled as a "Anyone who sees her or nas runaway at this time," Ferguson said.

Spencer is 5 feet 7 inches tall, 125 pounds and has shoulder length brown hair, can be given if so desired."