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From the Staff ...

Major Tommy Roam
Water Patrol Division



In 2012, a number of new laws and changes to existing laws affect the Patrol, criminal law, motor vehicle and boat operations, licensing, and public safety. The Patrol issued a news release providing a synopsis of those laws and a link to the full content of the bill. While I'm not going to talk about every change or new bill affecting the Patrol, I do want to highlight a few of special interest.

HB 1807* & SB 480* — A portion of this bill designated a section of Interstate 29 in Platte County as the **Trooper Fred F. Guthrie Jr. Memorial Highway**. Colonel Ron Replogle and the staff are pleased to see this legislation pass. Yet, at the same time, we are saddened that another trooper proudly gave his "last full measure of devotion" in service to the state. Each time a motorist passes the sign designating I-29 as the Trooper Fred F. Guthrie Jr. Memorial Highway, or one of the many other signs that memorialize our fallen brothers, their memory will be kept alive. May we remember our friends and co-workers, and say a prayer for their surviving families as we pass by.

SB 480 — This legislation also included a section addressing new outboard motors. Henceforth, any new outboard motor purchased by a dealer from the manufacturer on or after July first of any year shall be labeled with the "year manufactured" of the immediately following calendar year unless the manufacturer indicates a specific model or program year. This portion of the bill came about due to many outboard motor manufacturers building certain motors only every other year in order to reduce production costs. Therefore, motors built in 2012 may sit in a warehouse until 2014. Purchasers of these motors then may buy a new boat and motor and later find that although the motor was new in crate, it was titled as a two-year-old motor, thus, immediately reducing the value of the motor. SB 480 will alleviate this issue.

HB 1171 — This bill included a section allowing any person or company that rents or sells vessels to issue a temporary boating safety identification certificate to non-residents. This allows non-residents to operate rented vessels or vessels being considered for sale for a period of up to seven days, if the individual meets the minimum age requirements for operating a vessel in this state. In order to qualify for the temporary boating safety identification card, the applicant must provide a valid driver's license establishing that he or she is a non-resident and must electronically sign an affidavit stating he or she has reviewed the Missouri State Highway Patrol Handbook of Missouri Boating Laws and Responsibilities. The Patrol must charge a fee of \$9 for the temporary certification. The non-resident will not be eligible for more than one temporary boating safety card in her/his lifetime. The law authorizes the Patrol to develop the certificate and requires businesses that issue the certificates to transmit the applicant's information and payment to the Patrol using an electronic online registration process developed and provided by the Patrol. The provisions of the bill regarding boating safety identification cards went into effect on September 14, 2012, and will expire December 31, 2022.

As always, the governor signed many pieces of legislation this year. I encourage all of you to review the news release about new laws for 2012. You can find it posted on the Patrol's web site in the news releases dated August 27, 2012.

* HB1807/SB 480 went into effect on August 28, 2012.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tommy Roam". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Sgt. Paul J. Reinsch, Troop F, concentrates on a communication from the sky box during the Mizzou football game.

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This photo was taken during a 2012 Mizzou football game. Members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol have provided security and traffic control at University of Missouri-Columbia football games since 1939.

Tpr. Vivas Accepts 40/8 Law Officer of the Year Award

By Sgt. Collin M. Stosberg, Troop A

Trooper Alexander R. Vivas, Troop A, was honored in Jefferson City as the 40/8 Law Officer of the Year. Forty and Eight is an independent, by invitation, honor organization of male and female U.S. veterans. The organization can trace its roots back to 1920, when Joseph W. Breen and 15 other members of the American Legion, who were veterans of World War I, came together and founded it as an honor society for certain Legion members. The Missouri chapters of the Forty and Eight Honor Society hosted a banquet and awards presentation on June 30, 2012. This year, they recognized Tpr. Vivas and presented their Officer Of The Year Award to him.

Tpr. Vivas was born in Miami. He grew up in the Miami area until his junior year of high school when his family moved to Willard, MO. He graduated from Willard High School in 2003. Tpr. Vivas then served in the United States Marine Corps from 2003 to 2008. He was a staff sergeant (E-6). Tpr. Vivas continues to serve in the United States Marine Corps Reserves. He currently is serving as a platoon sergeant in the 24th Marine Regiment and is in charge of 75 Marines. Tpr. Vivas has served with the United States Marine Corps for a total of nine years. While on active duty, he served in an infantry unit and was a Marine security guard assigned to diplomatic security. He joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol in 2008, and was stationed in Clay County where he currently is assigned. He is married to Katie Simmons, who is also from Willard, MO. Tpr. Vivas' parents, Fernando and Lynda Vivas, still reside in Willard, MO.

Tpr. Vivas has a number of accomplishments and has taken on a significant amount of responsibilities already in his career. On a daily basis he dedicates himself to making his zone, the troop operation, those around him, and

the Patrol better. He is an officer with a reputation for working hard and continually asking for more responsibilities. Tpr. Vivas has proven to be an officer who not only wants to improve himself, but in doing so improves our agency as well. He is a polite and compassionate law enforcement officer who always represents those who wear a uniform in a positive manner, both on and off duty. Tpr. Vivas routinely volunteers in his community and promotes a positive image of law enforcement.



Tpr. Alexander R. Vivas (center), Troop A, accepts the Officer Of The Year Award from the Forty and Eight Honor Society of the American Legion.

Throughout his career with the Patrol, Tpr. Vivas has participated in a variety of assignments, including: drug recognition expert, Troop A Honor Guard, zone terrorism officer, lateral vascular neck restraint instructor, ground fighting instructor, ASP and handcuffing instructor, OC aerosol instructor, and field instructor for stop and approach at the Patrol Academy. These are assignments Tpr. Vivas has requested to improve his own ability, overall operations of the Patrol, and to benefit others. Tpr. Vivas is an eager officer who volunteers rather than waiting to be asked.

Tpr. Vivas has been active since the start of his career in the removal of dangerous drivers from our roadways. He has been a consistent leader in Troop A for his arrests of impaired drivers. He was honored for being in the top 10 in Troop A for his number of arrests of impaired drivers in 2010 and 2011. Since 2009, Tpr. Vivas has made 140 driving while intoxicated arrests. He also has participated in several crash reduction and impaired driving saturation efforts. Tpr. Vivas is a trained drug recognition expert and has attended advanced roadside impaired driving enforcement training.

Tpr. Vivas is a model officer for initiative and "looking beyond the stop." In 2011, He made over 350 arrests. Among those totals were 68 DWI, 11 felony, and 41 misdemeanor arrests. He has developed a knack for identifying when criminal activity is afoot. Tpr. Vivas is able to demonstrate this productivity while being assigned to a metropolitan zone with a large volume of calls for service.

An example of one of Tpr. Vivas' superior performances occurred on November 30, 2011. While he was patrolling U.S. Highway 169 in Clay County, he stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. As Tpr. Vivas was identifying the driver and passengers, he noticed all of the occupants were displaying nervous and abnormal behavior. Through his interview of the occupants and computer checks, Tpr. Vivas was able to determine one passenger was known to be armed and dangerous and had a warrant for his arrest, and a second passenger was giving a false identity. During a consent search of the vehicle, Tpr. Vivas located four Molotov cocktail explosive incendiary devices in the trunk. Subsequently, all three occupants of the vehicle were placed under arrest. The Kansas City Police Department Bomb and Arson Unit arrived on the scene and rendered the explosives

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safe. The investigation was later turned over to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. It is unknown the intent of these individuals; however, because of Tpr. Vivas' keen investigative effort, the explosives were seized, contributing to the safety of the citizens of the state of Missouri.

Tpr. Vivas is dedicated to serving the community while off duty by volunteering at the local YMCA in Kansas City at least two days a month. He assists with the planning and coordination of kids programs such as the holiday or other seasonal events. Tpr. Vivas participates in the youth mentoring program and coaches "Pop Fly" youth sports at the YMCA. Tpr. Vivas, as a member of the Marine Corps Reserves, has assisted with the Toys for Tots program for the last seven years.

Tpr. Vivas not only has excelled in his daily performance, he has further distinguished himself through his commitment to accepting additional responsibilities within the Patrol. Tpr. Vivas is unselfish and volunteers his personal time to help with local youth through the YMCA. His dedication to service, both on and off duty, positively impacts the lives of others and is a direct reflection of his character.

October

National Crime Prevention Month

- Oct. 2 ● Cpl. M.E. Webster died in 1993.
- Oct. 6 ● Sgt. R.G. Kimberling died in 1999.
- Oct. 8 ● Columbus Day
- Oct. 14 ● Tpr. J.R. Jenkins died in 1969.
- Oct. 15 ● Sgt. J.G. Schuengel died in 2010.
- Oct. 27 ● Tpr. W.W. Allman died in 1955.

Willow Care 5K Run

By Sgt. Martin K. Elmore, Troop G

On June 2, 2012, the Willow Care Nursing Home in Willow Springs hosted the 2nd Annual Willow Care 5K Run to raise money for Special Olympics Missouri. About 100 runners, many of which were Troop G employees and their family members, participated this year in the 5K and the Kiddie Run. Our very own Lieutenant H. Dale Hicks placed third overall in the 5K.

The race was co-directed this year by Sergeant Charley A. Hogue and Willow Care's administrator, Shirley Alter. They were assisted by Sgt. Hogue's wife, Tazna, and Communications Operator II Lalah M. Gregory and Communications Operator I Lori M. Wood, both Troop G. Comm. Oper. II Gregory also took race photographs and printed copies for a fee of \$5 each, with all proceeds going to Special Olympics Missouri. In terms of fundraising, the event was a great success—\$2,900 was raised through corporate and individual donations, \$700 of which came from Troop G employees. This "largest corporate donation" gave Troop G the right to display the traveling trophy that Uvanta Pharmaceutical won last year.

After the race was completed, runners were treated to a fantastic buffet breakfast by the kitchen staff at Willow Care. The nursing home clinic offered discounted health screenings, complete with a blood draw, for \$20. A "bouncy house" outside kept kids of all ages entertained.

Everyone had a great time and is already looking forward to next year's event. We want to extend a special thanks to Shirley Alter and everyone at Willow Care for all their help and the great breakfast. Thanks also go out to the corporate sponsors, Uvanta Pharmaceutical and UPS, and to the generous Troop G employees who made the bragging rights to the traveling trophy possible.



Ms. Shirley Alter, Willow Care Nursing Home, and Sgt. Charley A. Hogue, Troop G, hold the traveling trophy currently displayed at Troop G Headquarters.

President Obama Addresses Joplin High School's Class Of 2012

Sgt. Jason M. Pace, Troop D

It was graduation night on May 22, 2011, in Joplin, MO, when a deadly EF-5 tornado took the lives of 161 people and destroyed over 7,500 buildings, including Joplin High School. A year later, amid the reminders of death and destruction, the Joplin community continues to rebuild and gain in strength and hope. Although the Joplin High School was lost, the community pulled together and the school administration was able to open a make-shift replacement within an existing shopping mall for the 2011-12 school year.

For Joplin's Class of 2012, the commencement ceremony for 431 graduating seniors marked not only the completion of a very difficult and emotional year, but was also an event which drew worldwide attention. Approximately 4,600 people gathered in the Leggett and Platt Athletic Center at Missouri Southern State University to share in the graduation experience and hear words of encouragement from Governor Jay Nixon and President Barack Obama.

Declaring that they had "already defied the odds," President Obama urged the graduating seniors to hold close to the lessons they learned in overcom-

ing adversity as they enter the next phase of their lives. "You are from Joplin. You are from America. And no matter how tough times get, you will be tougher. No matter what life throws at you, you will be ready. You will not be defined by the difficulties you face, but how



Numerous media outlets covered President Obama's visit to Joplin High School.



President Barack Obama delivers a speech at Joplin High School commencement ceremony.

you respond—with strength, and grace, and a commitment to others. Remember what people did here ... Make sure in your own life that you pay it forward," President Obama told the graduates.

On May 22, 2012, members of the community and the Joplin school system broke ground for three new schools being built to replace those lost last year, including a new high school. It is expected to open in 2014.

(Special thanks to Missouri Southern State University for providing photographs. Photos reprinted with permission.)



President Barack Obama congratulates one of the 431 graduating seniors.



Tpr. Richard A. Stewart, Troop D, stands with members of local law enforcement agencies and the Missouri Army National Guard.

New Employees



Kayle J. Ballew
Auto. Tech. I
Q/MED



Terry J. Brown
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James T. Davis
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Troop B



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Clerk Typist II
Q/CJIS



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Clerk Typist III
Troop E



Tyler H. Plassmeyer
CIT I
Q/ICTD



Deborah R. Vaughn
Clerk Typist I
Troop C

Anniversaries

October

25 years

Quality Control Clerk II Laverne
L. Baker Q/TFD
CVO Sprv. I Steven R. Dye,
Troop H
CVO Sprv. I Allen D. Steele,
Troop A
DE III Carmen L. Thomas,
Troop C

20 years

CVO II Dennis S. Kelley, Troop H

15 years

Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D.
Cobb, Q/PIED
Comm. Oper. III Todd M. Cooper,
Troop D
DE III Robin A. Fritzsche, Troop
C
Crim. Hist. Tech. II Deborah S.
Graham, Q/CJISD
Comm. Oper. II Robert P. Larimer,
Troop D

10 years

Tpr. Terry J. Adams, Troop B
Sgt. Wallace V. Ahrens, Troop F
Sgt. Andrew J. Bell, Troop A
Cpl. Christopher R. Blackmon,
Troop A
Cpl. Carl W. Bone, Troop C
Cpl. Bret E. Brooks, Q/GSD
Tpr. Samuel D. Carpenter, Troop
D
Tpr. Benjamin N. Comer, Troop A
Tpr. David W. Crank, Troop E
Tpr. Robert D. Crewse, Troop G
Tpr. Gary L. Cross, Q/GD
Cpl. Steven W. Cunningham,
Troop I
Cpl. C. Todd Davies, Troop C
Sgt. Mark D. DeGraffenreid,
Troop A
Cpl. Logan S. Elliott, Troop G
Tpr. Jim D. Farmer, Troop H
Cpl. Michael P. Fennewald, Troop
A
Cpl. Steven N. Foster, Troop G
Tpr. Matthew T. Halford, Troop F
DE III Clevon L. Harris, Troop C

Tpr. J. Patrick Johnson, Troop B
Cpl. Justin S. Johnson, Troop H
Tpr. Joseph R. Johnston, Troop H
Cpl. J. Clayton Marlin, Troop I
Cpl. W. Lance Laughlin, Q/GD
Cpl. Alexander H. Michajliczenko,
Troop C
Cpl. Kevin C. Morris, Troop D
Cpl. Lance M. Newman, Troop H
Tpr. Clark D. Parrott, Troop E
Tpr. Adam W. Poulson, Troop D
Tpr. Derrick R. Powell, Troop F
Tpr. Craig W. Reichert, Troop B
Tpr. Dale R. Reuter, Troop H
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Cpl. Troy D. Stegeman, Q/GSD
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Tpr. Arthur G. Torbeck, Troop D
Cpl. Casey E. Utterback, Troop A
Tpr. Gerry L. West Jr., Troop F
Tpr. Grant N. Williams, Troop E
Tpr. James A. Wilson, Troop E
DE III Shelly L. Wilson-Lagermann,
Troop E

5 years

Fingerprint Tech. III Marcy J. Bonu-
chi, Q/CJISD
CVE Inspect. III Lance R. Cantrell,
Troop A
CVE Inspect. III Deborah K. Daniel,
Troop H
CVE Inspect. III Christopher D. Feil-
ner, Troop C
Clerk Typist III Rebecca J. Moore,
Troop D
DE III Teri D. Moore, Troop D
CVE Inspect. III Jamaka S. Quinn,
Troop A
CVE Inspect. III Benjamin L. Towe,
Troop E
CVE Inspect. III Michael A. White,
Troop C

November

30 years

Asst. Director Sidney R. Popejoy,
Q/CLD

25 years

Chief Oper. Steven D. Groves,
Troop I
Chief Oper. Michael C. Markley,
Troop D
Comm. Oper. III Michael D.
McCallister, Troop G
Admin. Ofc. Support Asst. Barbara
A. Kidwell, Troop A

20 years

CVO Sprv. I David O. Bagley,
Troop A
Criminalist III Kristen L. Hoey,
Q/CLD
DE Sprv. Debra D. Pitts, Troop G
Chief CVO Ricky L. Talbert,
Troop D
Housekeeper III Elizabeth K. Cole,
Troop H
Prog./Analyst Mgr. Dennis B.
Schulte, Q/ICTD

15 years

Sgt. Matthew J. Cody, Troop F
Forms Analyst II Brenda K. Feeler,
Q/RDD

10 years

Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. Supv.
Russell E. Rackers, Q/CJISD
DE III R. Kent Johnson, Troop F
Spec. Asst. Tamie L. Quigley,
Q/FOB
Crim. Hist. Tech. II April S.
Watkins, Q/CJISD

5 years

Clerk Typist III Candace R. Peak,
Troop H
Criminalist III Nicholle D. Rhodes,
Q/CLD
Criminalist III Brittany A. Baldwin,
Q/CLD
Clerk IV Brenda K. Lock, Q/CVED
Criminalist III Rickie Sutton,
Q/CLD
Quality Control Clerk II J. Nikki
Bolinger, TFD

Missouri Boys State: A History Of Leadership, Citizenship

By Sgt. Michael W. Watson, Troop D & Sgt. William W. Lowe, Troop A

After its beginning in 1935 in Illinois, the American Legion Boys State program of leadership and citizenship spread to 49 of the 50 states, the exception being Hawaii. In 2011, over 19,000 young men across the country between their junior and senior years of high school attended the week-long program. The first session of the Missouri Boys State began in 1938 at the Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton, MO. After five years, the program was then moved to Kemper Military Academy in Boonville, MO. In 1953, Missouri Boys State moved again to its current location on the campus of University of Central Missouri, in Warrensburg, MO. Sessions were canceled only twice—in 1943 and 1945 due to World War II. The 73rd session of Missouri Boys State was completed this past June.

The session in 2012 brought with it 971 boys, or citizens as they are called during the session, from high schools across Missouri. Missouri's program is currently the third largest Boys State in the nation, and since its inception, over 40,000 boys have attended. Upon arrival, the citizens are divided into 16 cities within eight counties and participate in all aspects of government from the city, county, and state level, essentially running a state. All aspects of governmental operations within the state are hands-on for the participants, including law enforcement.

Since the first session in 1938, the Missouri State Highway Patrol has been actively involved with Missouri Boys State. One example of Patrol service can be found with retired Lieutenant



Sgt. Michael W. Watson (l), Troop D, and Sgt. William W. Lowe (r), Troop A, flank the Missouri Boys State troopers for 2012.

Colonel Ralph Biele, who was honored this session for his 40 years of service to Missouri Boys State. Assigned to the Public Information and Education Division in 1972, then-Trooper Biele was sent to the program—and he has been back every year since.

Troopers currently teach the Law Enforcement School of Instruction, which is one of six such schools the boys choose to specialize in during the week of attendance. Topics covered include: Patrol history and structure, arrest and trial procedures, ethical decision making, search and seizure, as well as the aspects of safe driving. Many of the over 250 boys in the Law Enforcement School have law enforcement “jobs” while attending Boys State. They filled roles in all aspects of the field, whether elected or appointed, at the local, county, and even state levels. Each year, three citizens from every Missouri Boys State city are allowed to apply to become troopers. Through an interview process, eight of the applicants are chosen to fill the role of Missouri Boys State troopers. A second interview process of the eight identifies who will be the superintendent and assistant superintendent for the week.

Just like troopers across Missouri, the Boys State troopers had many duties during the week. As with the other law enforcement officials, the troopers were able to write tickets for Boys State law violations, conduct criminal investigations, as well as apply for and serve search warrants. Along with making “arrests,” the troopers and other enforcement personnel were then, with many of their cases, required to testify in court. The end of the week culminated in an impressive display of Patrol equipment for the boys to see. Current and past displays and demonstrations included SWAT vehicles and equipment, a Patrol helicopter, K-9 demonstration, bomb squad robots, and CVET equipment.

Listed below are the Missouri Boys State troopers, their hometown, and the name of the high school they attend.

- Cameron Bland (Colonel), Ozark, Ozark High School
- Michael Ruiz (Lt. Colonel), Liberty, Liberty High School
- Austin Grega, Springfield, Glendale High School
- Keith Caldwell, Mexico, Community High School
- Adam Cooksey, Matthews, Central High School
- Brian Bueker, Higginsville, Lafayette County C-1 High School
- Tanner Green, Boonville, Boonville High School
- Ethan Suntrup, St. Louis, Christian Brothers College High School



Sgt. David C. Martin, Q/DDCC, and Cpl. Jeffrey L. White, Q/TND, demonstrated the bomb robot at Missouri Boys State.

Additional information on Missouri Boys State can be found at www.moboystate.org, or www.missourilegion.org.



Spotlight



Sgt. Gerard G. Callahan



Appointed: January 1, 2011.
First Assignment: General Headquarters, Water Patrol Division.
Current Assignment: Troop F, Zone 13, Marine Operations Officer. *
Family: Jerry has been married to his wife, Erin, for nine years. They have two sons ages six and seven.
Interests: He enjoys any and all water sports including boating, canoeing, and fishing.

Jerry grew up in Jefferson City, where he graduated from Helias High School in 1993. In 1997, he received a bachelor's of science degree in criminal justice administration and public management from the University of Arizona in Tucson, AZ. Jerry's law enforcement career began on January 1, 1999, with the Missouri State Water Patrol. He was a member of that agency's 29th Recruit Class. He was promoted to corporal in 2006, and transferred to Jefferson City. He was promoted to sergeant in 2008.

Jerry enjoys spending a portion of his work time giving water safety programs to schoolchildren and adults. He also records public service announcements for radio stations to promote boating safety. Jerry enjoys the variety of work assignments with the Patrol and the interesting people that he gets to meet. His most memorable moment occurred in 2004 on the Merrimac River when he was called out to locate an overdue boater. The subject was located

lying on a gravel bar soundly sleeping with his personal stash of drugs next to him.

** Effective November 1, 2012, Sgt. Callahan will transfer to the Human Resources Division at General Headquarters.*

Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II F. Keith Mathis



Appointed: December 30, 2007.
First/Current Assignment: Building & Grounds Maintenance II, Troop I, Rolla.
Family: Keith and his wife, Patty, have been married for 13 years. She helped Keith raise his two sons.
Interests: Keith has many interests, including riding his motorcycle, hunting, and spending time at his cabin on the Big Piney River, where he and his family can enjoy fishing and gigging. It is not unusual for Keith to invite family and friends down to his cabin for barbeques and fish fry events.

Keith was raised in Edgar Springs, MO, and attended Rolla High School, where he graduated in 1976. Keith worked construction for approximately 10 years and for the city of Rolla for about 11 years before he sought employment with the state of Missouri. Keith stated that he enjoys most everything about his job at Troop I, which

is shown by his extraordinary work ethic. For one to say that Keith is a people person is an understatement. No matter what project he is working on, Keith will always take the time to say hi and, if possible, have a short visit. His pleasant and out-going nature also makes working with Keith a positive experience. Keith is often called upon to complete very diverse tasks at Troop I and his abilities and desire to complete those in a very professional manner is always evident. Keith has even been known to sleep all night in the Troop I garage, so he would be on-hand to plow the parking lots when snow was predicted. As Keith said, "It is my job to keep Troop I looking good." He does that very well.

Tpr. Evan T. Hane



Appointed: January 16, 2009.
First Assignment: Troop I, Zone 9, Crawford County.
Current Assignment: Troop I, Zone 10, Marine Operations Officer.
Family: Evan is married to Andrea (Goodman) and they have one son, Ryder, who will turn one-year-old this year.
Interests: Evan and his wife both enjoy hunting and fishing. Their hobbies also include horseback riding, softball, and a variety of other outdoor activities.

Evan was born and raised in Brookfield, MO, and is a 2006 gradu-

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Spotlight



— Hane

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ate of Brookfield High School. Following graduation, Evan attended Moberly Area Community College, where he graduated with an associate's degree in law enforcement in 2008. According to Evan, his interest in policing was in large part attributed to his father, who has been a Brookfield police officer for 37 years. His father has served as the department's chief for the past 30 years.

First on Evan's list is spending time with his family and enjoying the excitement that comes with being a new father. However, Evan is also enthusiastic about his duties as a state trooper and feels very fortunate to have already been involved in a variety of assignments. According to Evan, the state fair detail, which for him includes the bike detail, has already become one of his favorites. Recently, Evan transferred from road duties to marine operations, while still maintaining his residence in Crawford County. Evan says he is enjoying his new duties as much as his old ones. Evan also serves as a defensive tactics instructor and is a member of the Troop F SWAT Team. As a young trooper, Evan has already been recognized for his abilities to react properly in life and death situations and the professional and positive attitude that he displays.

Prob. Comm. Oper. Brian P. Pollitt



Appointed: December 1, 2011.

First/Current Assignment: Troop F, Jefferson City.

Interests: In his spare time, Brian enjoys bowling and bike riding.

Brian was born in Jefferson City. He graduated from Jefferson City High School in 1999, and attended Lincoln University in Jefferson City for a year and a half. Prior to coming to work for the Patrol, he was employed at KZJF radio station in Jefferson City. His duties included program director and as an "on air" personality who went by the name "B.P."

Brian says, "The best part of my job is that every day brings something new and something different."

His most memorable moment to date involves a vehicle pursuit that began in Osage County and ended with the subject being shot inside the Capital Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City.

We hope Brian has a long and rewarding career.

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Don't be afraid of missing opportunities. Behind every failure is an opportunity somebody wishes they had missed.

— Lily Tomlin

Capt. Villanueva Accepts Patriot Award

By Sgt. Jason Pace, Troop D

On June 20, 2012, at the Troop D Headquarters, Captain Juan O. Villanueva was recognized and received the Department of Defense Patriot Award for his extraordinary support of Patrol employees who serve in the National Guard and military reserves. Sergeant Terry L. Mast, Troop D, who is also serving as a lieutenant colonel and battalion commander of the 1st/129th Field Artillery Unit of the Missouri Army National Guard, nominated Capt. Villanueva for this award. The recognition comes as a way to honor the support, respect, and encouragement Capt. Villanueva demonstrates to his employees, and especially those in the military.

This award comes through the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, a Department of Defense agency. ESGR, established in 1972, promotes cooperation and understanding between reserve component service members and their civilian employers.

“The Patriot Award was created by ESGR to publicly recognize individuals who provide outstanding patriotic support and cooperation to their employees; who, like the citizen warriors



Capt. Juan Villanueva (l) accepts a framed U.S. flag on behalf of Troop D staff and personnel from Lt. Albert Brown (r).

before them, have answered their nation’s call to serve,” said retired Brigadier General Tracy Bequette, ESGR Missouri state chair. “Supportive supervisors are critical to maintaining the strength and readiness of the nation’s national guard and reserve units.”

Also, Capt. Villanueva accepted a framed U.S. flag on behalf of Troop D staff and personnel during a special presentation by Lieutenant Albert O. Brown, Troop D. Lt. Brown, also a command sergeant major with the Missouri Army National Guard, served in Afghanistan from March 2011 through April 2012. During his deployment, he flew this American flag overhead at Forward Operating Base Finley-Shields. This flag was presented to Capt. Villanueva



Major Mike Brown, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), presents a Patriot Award to Capt. Juan Villanueva, Troop D, (center). Sgt. Terry L. Mast, Troop D, (far right) nominated him.

as a symbol of appreciation for the support, e-mails, care packages, and prayers that the captain and the entire Patrol family provided to Lt. Brown during his time of service.

Display Provides Historical Records Of Zones, Service Center

Sgt. Michael W. Watson, Troop D

An idea that began with retired Sergeant Larry D. Cooper and the troopers assigned to Zones 5 and 11 in Jasper County came full circle with a presentation in July 2012 at the Troop D Service Center in Carthage, MO. The idea was to compile business cards from troopers, either retired or currently employed, who had been assigned to the two zones or any of the specialists or lieutenants that had been assigned to the Service Center. It began almost two years ago. After many e-mails, phone calls, and what I am sure were several hours sifting through old boxes at many of the homes, the group came up with cards from 59 troopers. The retirees in the Carthage area, including retired Sgt. Cooper, retired Sergeant Jerry C. McCoy, retired Corporal Espey Newman Jr., and the late retired Sergeant Gleman E. Keller then set to work organizing the business cards and deciding how they should be arranged. A special thanks to retired Sgt. Cooper, who not only framed the business card collection, but many of the old pictures that are on display at the Service Center.



(l to r) Retired Sgt. Jerry McCoy, Retired Sgt. Larry Cooper, and retired Cpl. Espey Newman Jr. stand with the framed display of 59 business cards. The display serves as a record of the various officers who have worked in Zones 5 and 11, in Jasper County, and at the Troop D Service Center.

MSHP Shines At 2012 MLB All-Star Events

By Sgt. Collin M. Stosberg, Troop A

After months of planning and re-configured highway ramps, the 2012 Major League Baseball All-Star Game and related festivities took place July 8-10, 2012, in Kansas City at Kauffman Stadium. [The Kansas City, MO, Police Department requested the Patrol's assistance to handle all traffic control in and around the stadium for the St. Louis Cardinal Series (June 22-24) and

the All-Star events (July 8-10).] The Patrol provided 30 troopers, five support personnel, a helicopter, and two mobile command center vehicles for traffic control. Troopers diligently guided traffic flow in and around the stadium for the three-day event with



Sgt. Richard C. Fletcher, Troop A, controls a traffic signal.



Tpr. Liere R. Dancy, Sgt. Barry A. Kumph, and Cpl. Carl A. Taibi, all Troop A, regulated traffic at Gate 1.

great success. The July 11, 2012, edition of *The Kansas City Star* included an article written by Reporter Mike Hendricks entitled "Report Card." This article gave the Patrol an "A" for traffic flow and stated, "Getting in and out the stadium, for many All-Star visitors, was a relative breeze."

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Cpl. Ryan S. & Mrs. Raeann
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Tpr. Joshua D. & Mrs. Rachel E.
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N. Owens
Troop E

Abigail Grace
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L. Millsap
Troop A

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K. Forler
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Lt. Gov. Recognizes Retired Trooper

Dingman's Service To Community Applauded

By Mr. Paul Donley, Special To The Aurora Advertiser

Minutes after meeting retired Trooper Ed Dingman of Aurora, MO, Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder commented he fit the image of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. He also fits the image the state official has of service men and women who make contributions to their communities long after they've left the armed forces.

Retired Tpr. Dingman, who retired from the Patrol after 28 years—with about 23 in Troop D, Springfield—was one of the lieutenant governor's first 15 recipients of his new Veterans Service Award. This award is given to recognize and honor exemplary volunteer service by former members of the armed forces.

Lt. Gov. Kinder told a gathering of retired Tpr. Dingman's family and friends on July 13 it was a "distinctive honor" to "recognize one of Missouri's hometown heroes" in giving the new award created by his office. The lieutenant governor said he has, "tried to make veterans' issues one of my top priorities," since being elected in 2004. A relief fund for those deployed on active duty overseas was one of his initiatives in 2005, Lt. Gov. Kinder said, and a little over a year ago he stepped in when there was a "crisis in funding veterans' homes," in the state. "They were talking about closing one or two of those homes," he said. The result of the focus on the situation means, "the homes are staying open." Lt. Gov. Kinder is chairman of the Governor's Advisory Council for Veterans Affairs.

"There is no duty that is more important than honoring the veterans of the state," Lt. Gov. Kinder said. He created the Veterans Service Award

to recognize the state's hometown heroes; the men and women whose service to the nation and the state in the armed forces was only a beginning of their service. The award is, "one more small way our state can say thanks," Lt. Gov. Kinder said.

Retired Tpr. Dingman is also a U.S. Army veteran, having served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War period. "His service didn't end when



Ret. Tpr. Ed Dingman, recipient of the Veterans Service Award, stands quietly while his wife, Judy, attaches the lapel pin to his shirt. Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder observes.

his hitch in the Army was over," Lt. Gov. Kinder said.

Retired Tpr. Dingman has been active with Boy Scouts of America, an organization Lt. Gov. Kinder said is dear to his heart. Being an Eagle Scout is not optional in his family, the lieutenant governor said, noting he is an Eagle Scout and a nephew recently attaining that rank is the, "... ninth Eagle Scout in our family."

Ret. Tpr. Dingman has volunteered for the past 23 years with Boy Scout Troop 48 in Aurora, MO, and he has been active with the scouting program in the area in many levels.

He also is chairman of the Lawrence County MU Extension Council. He has volunteered with PET of Southwest Missouri, a faith-based, humanitarian organization that provides mobility and dignity for people in developing countries. People in Third World countries who are unable to walk due to disease or injuries are given tricycle-like devices which are powered by hand with bicycle pedal-style cranks. The "PET" (standing for Personal Energy Transportation) has large rubber tires, because there seldom are sidewalks or smooth streets on which the users travel.

Ret. Tpr. Dingman, who works as a machinist in his "real" job now, has welded many of the crank and frame assemblies for the area PET construction project. Asked how many of those PET crank assemblies he's put together, he said the number is more than 1,077. He's only kept track since 2008. "We were building them in 2006 and 2007," retired Tpr. Dingman said.

Jim Wrinkle, president of the national PET organization and PET of Southwest Missouri, estimated the total number to be at 1,300.

That dedication to helping crippled or handicapped people in other parts of the world, "... is straight out of the 25th chapter of the book of Matthew," Lt. Gov. Kinder remarked. "When you did it for one of the least of these ..."

The PETs are shipped to more than 80 countries worldwide. None are sold—or available for purchase. All are presented free.

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Retired Tpr. Dingman also has been a member of an ad hoc “Red Hat Brigade,” a group of men who have constructed a dock, stairs to the river, shower houses, and a tree house at Camp Barnabus near Purdy, MO, along with a rappelling tower at an area camp for Girl Scouts.

Lt. Gov. Kinder received 140 nominations for the award, and he said there are hundreds of deserving former service men and women across the state of Missouri.

“Missouri’s veterans not only answered the call to serve their country, many of them continue to serve their local communities,” Lt. Gov. Kinder said. “These awards are a way our state can thank our veterans and recognize sacrifices that Missouri veterans continue to make for their communities and their state.”

“The same strong sense of duty and patriotism you showed in your service to your nation, you now show in your commitment to Aurora and, through PET of Southwest Missouri, far beyond Lawrence County,” Lt. Gov. Kinder said. “[This award] is just one small way our state can say ‘thank you’ to our veterans and honor the sacrifices they continue to make for their communities and their state.”

Retired Tpr. Dingman, thanking the lieutenant governor for the award, credited his mother, siblings, and late father for his upbringing and moral character, and for setting high standards for him all his life. “Their living, their guidance set the tone,” he said. He also credited others who have been involved in many projects as equally deserving of the recognition.

Ret. Tpr. Dingman is a graduate of Jasper High School. He is married to Judy (Burris) and is the son of Roselea McClintock, of Lamar, MO. Leslie Dingman James, of Clever, nominated her father for the award.

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L.E.T.S.A.C. Honors Tpr. Huskey

By Capt. J. Tim Hull, Q/PIED

The Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Advisory Council held their annual conference at The Inn at Port Arrowhead in Lake Ozark, MO, on July 9-13, 2012. Each year, the council honors officers as “Traffic Officer Of The Year” from four categories to recognize their tremendous accomplishments during the previous year. They honor officers from small departments, medium departments, large departments, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The awards were presented at the conference banquet held on the evening of July 12, 2012.

This year, the council chose Trooper Adam S. Huskey as the Patrol’s recipient. Tpr. Huskey has been with the Patrol for three years and currently is assigned to Troop C, Zone 12, covering Jefferson County. During the year 2011, Tpr. Huskey issued 764 citations and 542 warnings. These totals included:

- 63 DWI Arrests
- 143 Seat Belt/Child Restraint Citations
- 209 Speed Citations
- 182 Hazardous Moving Citations
- 22 Felony Criminal Arrests
- 57 Drug Arrests
- 110 Misdemeanor Criminal Arrests

Tpr. Huskey was selected to be a member of Troop C’s Operation A.R.R.E.S.T. (Alcohol Related Response Strike Team) as a result of his efforts in the area of driving while intoxicated enforcement.

Tpr. Huskey’s exemplary attributes include his devotion to duty, dependability, and leadership abilities. Tpr. Huskey has represented the Missouri State Highway Patrol with distinction and honor, and his outstanding performance as a Missouri state trooper has brought credit upon himself, the Patrol, and the state of Missouri. This has resulted in his being named Missouri State Highway Patrol L.E.T.S.A.C. Officer Of The Year.

Congratulations, Tpr. Huskey, on your accomplishment!



Pictured (l to r) are Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB, Col. Ron Replogle, superintendent, Capt. Ronald S. Johnson, Troop C, Tpr. Adam Huskey, Troop C, Tpr. Joseph T. Peart, Troop I, Tpr. Paul R. Wells, Troop G, and Tpr. Adam R. Johnson, Troop E.

Major Robert E. Bloomberg



Major Robert E. “Bob” Bloomberg retired from the Patrol on September 1, 2012, completing a career of over 33 years that spanned five decades. Bob was born in Harreshausen, Germany, and was raised in Burlington, IA. After joining the U.S. Army in 1974, Bob was stationed at Fort Leavenworth, KS, and lived in Platte City, MO, which is where he became acquainted with the Patrol. After leaving the Army in 1977, he became a Platte County deputy sheriff until he started the Patrol Academy on July 9, 1979. Bob was a member of the 50th Recruit Class, graduating on December 7, 1979.

Bob’s first assignment was in Cass and Bates counties in Troop A. In addition to his duties as a zone member, Bob spent almost a year working undercover with the Kansas City Missouri Police Department as part of an auto theft task force, buying stolen cars and parts. He was also a member of Troop A’s SERT for 14 years. Bob said all of his SERT call-ups were memorable in one way or another, but probably the most notable was the arrest of Glennon Paul Sweet on February 8, 1987, for the murder of Trooper Russell W. Harper.

“Our team had a great deal of involvement in that case: we helped Troop D officers in searching for and arresting Sweet where he was hiding in an attic in a farm house; we were involved in taking him to the correc-

tion facility at Potosi; and finally, three members of our team, Lieutenant Colonel Morris Patrick, Sergeant Tim Selvey, and I witnessed his execution 11 years later, just after midnight on April 22, 1998.”

In 1988, Bob was promoted to corporal and transferred to Johnson County. In 1989, Bob was promoted and remained in Johnson County as the zone sergeant. His most notable occurrence during his time in Johnson County was following the Rodney King beating trial in California when violence erupted in Warrensburg.

“I was actually in Jefferson City for training when my wife called and asked if I was coming home. I had no idea of the magnitude of the situation at that time, but while I was on the phone with her, Lieutenant Fitzgerald was calling for me on another line at the Academy with instructions to return to Warrensburg, MO.”

There had been a great deal of property damage to local businesses and vehicles in the downtown area, adjacent to the CMSU campus, the prior evening. Some real panic and concern had circulated among many of the students’ parents across the state to the point that they were coming to Warrensburg to remove their students from school. Working with the local law enforcement authorities and the CMSU administration, the Patrol brought in nearly 100 troopers and a helicopter to patrol the city and reassure the community that order had been restored. That quick response and infusion of resources was duly noted and greatly appreciated by the community.

In 1995, Bob transferred to General Headquarters where he rejoined his first zone sergeant/now Captain John Gordon, in the Professional Standards Division. Bob would work in that division as an investigator, assistant director, and director until 2001. What many would think of as maybe not the best assignment on the Patrol, Bob found to be helpful in better learning about the whole organization and how the

different divisions operate together.

“I have always said that the rewards of working in PSD were that we provided our employees with a thorough investigation that overwhelmingly proved they were doing the right things as they performed their duties. During my time in the division, I was fortunate to work with not only great support staff, but good investigators who took their job very seriously and realized the implications for our employees. We didn’t shortcut anything and worked very hard to present a complete picture to the staff when they would review the case.”

In 2001, Bob transferred to the Gaming Division as the director, overseeing the activity of over 100 troopers who were working in the casinos, conducting background investigations for the Missouri Gaming Commission, and regulating charitable gaming in Missouri.

“I really enjoyed this assignment because it took me back to a line unit of troopers who were doing enforcement work. Their duty stations were all over the state, so that provided an opportunity to travel around the troops to their work sites.” Bob said one of his most memorable assignments came while he was in the Gaming Division. “Major Dale Schmidt and I were assigned to lead 48 other troopers and six communications personnel to Biloxi, MS, to support local law enforcement following Hurricane Katrina in September 2005. I had never heard of the Patrol being deployed outside of Missouri to perform law enforcement duties, so I believe that was a first for our agency. We travelled in a convoy the entire 750 miles. I don’t know if there is a more impressive spectacle than seeing 30 Highway Patrol cars and a command bus steaming toward the Gulf Coast to support the local effort, following what was the costliest natural disaster and one of the five deadliest hurricanes in the history of the United States. Our people were so impressive under absolutely terrible conditions. That will certainly be one

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of my fondest assignments during my career.”

In 2006, Colonel Jim Keathley tapped Bob for a spot on his staff as the commander of the Technical Services Bureau. With no real background or work experience in the tech services area, Bob appreciated the challenge and got to work.

“There is no doubt we have some very talented people working throughout our agency. But, I had never been in such close contact with the projects they work on or the services they deliver to the public prior to being assigned to the Technical Services Bureau. I have said many times when addressing the employees of the Technical Services Bureau that their work is much like a public utility: Nobody pays any attention to it until it’s not working. Having great commanders over those divisions and such a skilled and dedicated work force has really made this assignment enjoyable.”

Bob said he was proud of the strides the agency has made in delivering technology to the line officers doing the day-to-day work of the Patrol. Realizing it has not always been smooth, he has appreciated the patience of all of our employees during the transitions and deployments as the department moves forward with various initiatives.

“It always works in the demo or the lab, but invariably we have the ability to break the unbreakable when we put it in the field. Some of the projects we have undertaken have forever changed the way the Patrol operates and making those kinds of changes is never easy or smooth. I recall that in my first nine years on the Patrol, the biggest technological change I saw was the conversion in our zone office from a manual to an electric pencil sharpener. It’s not just the number of changes we have seen in the last six years, but the speed at which they have come to our agency that has been so impressive.”

Bob has no immediate plans for retirement, but does anticipate travel-

ing with his wife, Suzan. They plan to remain in Jefferson City, punctuating the winters with occasional visits to Hawaii. Their daughter, Katy, lives in Washington, D.C. and works for the U.S. Marine Corps as a legislative liaison to Congress, so the East Coast is definitely an area they will be visiting more.

Capt. I. David Smith



After 29 years of dedicated service, Captain I. David Smith, director of the Human Resources Division, General Headquarters, Jefferson City, retired effective September 1, 2012.

David graduated from the Patrol’s Law Enforcement Academy in 1983, and was initially assigned to Troop H, Zone 1, Atchison and Holt counties. On November 1, 1987, he transferred to Troop H, Zone 7, Clinton, Daviess, and DeKalb counties.

“Throughout your career, you hear it said that you never know where the people you work with are going to end up,” said David. “That’s true. When I started, Roger Stottlemire was a trooper in my zone, and he retired as the colonel.”

David was promoted to corporal and designated assistant zone supervisor of Troop H, Zone 8, Clinton, Daviess, and DeKalb counties, on June 1, 1990. Smith was promoted to sergeant on January 1, 1992, and designated zone supervisor of Troop H, Zone 1, Atchison and Holt counties. From

February 1, 1993 until June 1, 1998, Smith served as the public information and education officer for Troop H, St. Joseph, MO.

“One of my favorite assignments was being the public information and education officer at Troop H,” said David. “As a PIEO, 95 percent of your contacts with the public are positive. They want to see you and want to hear what you have to say. That was always enjoyable. I will always have fond memories of that time.”

He said he also picked up some helpful advice during that time. “Capt. Clarence Greeno once reminded me not to argue with someone who has an endless supply of ink.”

On June 1, 1998, David was promoted to lieutenant and assigned to Troop A, Lee’s Summit. He was promoted to captain and designated director of the Human Resources Division, General Headquarters, Jefferson City, on August 1, 2011. It is from this position that he retires.

About the Human Resources Division, David had this to say, “Absolutely an outstanding group of people to work with. I appreciated the professionalism and dedication each of them brought to the table every day. Human Resources Division takes care of the “human” part of the workplace, and the decisions aren’t always popular. I am impressed with how members of this division balance the needs of the organization with the expectations of our personnel. I have deeply appreciated the support I’ve received from members of the division while I served as their director.”

David was born in Excelsior Springs, MO. He grew up on a farm in Lathrop, MO, and graduated from high school there. When he was 16 years old, now retired Sergeant Karl E. Reichman visited Lathrop High School and talked to the students. David visited with the trooper afterward and found it interesting. He decided at that point he wanted to be a trooper.

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After high school, he went to college, earned his degree in criminal justice from Missouri Western College, applied at the Patrol, and was hired.

David is married to Vonda (Larkin), who is a commercial vehicle officer supervisor assigned to Troop A, Lee's Summit. He has two sons. Jeff is 22, and lives in Overland Park, KS, where he works for Cheddar's Restaurant. Blake is 20, and a junior at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

David loves photography. He developed this hobby (thanks to Vonda) by taking pictures of his sons, especially of them playing sports. His interest in sports photography grew during his son's senior year of high school football. He said Vonda's three nephews (Jake, Josh, and Trey Kaulen) are ac-

tive in sports, which also has provided him many photo opportunities. He is starting up golf again after being away from the sport for several years. ("Thanks, Lester Elder, for making me pick up the clubs again," David said.)

In his retirement, David is looking forward to expanding his photography pursuits and playing golf on a regular basis. On October 29, he begins a new career with KeyPoint Government Solutions as a background investigator.

"We are blessed to have a retirement system that affords us the ability to retire at a young age and begin a new path," he said.

David and Vonda celebrated his retirement with a trip Cabo San Lucas. He got to take a stroll on the beach on his first day of retirement.

Congratulations, David! May you have a long, healthy retirement!

Cpl. Harold E. Crafton Jr.



On July 1, 2012, Corporal Harold E. "Junior" Crafton Jr. retired after over 31 years of distinguished service with the Missouri State Water Patrol and Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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MPERS Announces Director's Retirement

By MPERS

MoDOT and Highway Patrol Employees' Retirement System Executive (MPERS) Director Susie Dahl retired effective September 1, 2012. She has been selected to serve as the administrative officer of the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys (NAPPA).

Director Dahl retires with 34 years of state service, 19 of which were with a state retirement system. Ms. Dahl was instrumental in streamlining numerous operational processes, which made MPERS more efficient and improved customer service. Ms. Dahl successfully led the completion of the three-year, multi-phased technol-

ogy project to implement: 1) a new accounting system, 2) an electronic document management (EDM) system, and 3) a new pension administration system (PAS). During the project, the old legacy database was replaced with a new, state-of-the-art, server-based database management system. Under Ms. Dahl's guidance, the Board of Trustees initiated changes to make the most efficient use of board meeting time and streamline the decision making process. The board developed a comprehensive set of board governance policies to provide guidance and improve accountability.

We wish to thank Susie for her years of service and invaluable contri-



Susie Dahl
Retiring Executive Director
MPERS

Contributions to MPERS. Congratulations on your retirement and good luck in your new job.

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Junior was born in Hayti, MO, and graduated from Ava High School in 1975. From 1975 until 1978, he served in the United States Marine Corps, stationed at Marine Corps Air Station El Toro in California. Following his discharge from the service, Junior was hired as an officer with the Ava Police Department, where he remained until 1980.

Junior began his career in January 1981, as a member of the Water Patrol's 19th Recruit Class. Upon graduation, he was assigned to Lake of the Ozarks. In May 1985, Junior transferred to Wayne and Reynolds counties where he patrolled Clearwater Lake as well as the Black and Current rivers. From May 2005 until May 2007, he was assigned as the full-time evidence officer for District 4 (Southeast Missouri). In May 2007, Junior made his last move when he transferred to Table Rock Lake in Taney and Stone counties. Following his transfer, he was promoted to corporal in August 2008.

When not spending time with his family or working, Junior was active in the community. In 1997, he was elected to the Clearwater R-1 School Board, serving until 2004, which included time spent as the board president from 2002 through 2004. From 2004 until 2007 he served as board president and was a founding member of the Wayne County Law Enforcement Relief Fund board as well as an appointed member of the Wayne County Sheltered Workshop board in 2004. He was a member of The Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society (The MASTERS) from 2002 until the Water Patrol/Highway Patrol merger in 2011.

With the merger of the Missouri State Water Patrol into the Missouri State Highway Patrol on January 1, 2011, Junior became part of three generations to serve as troopers. His father, the late Harold Crafton Sr.,

retired from the Patrol in 1990 as a lieutenant in Troop E; Junior's son, Trooper Dustin H. Crafton is currently assigned to Troop F. Junior and his wife, Glenda (Frye), also have another son, Christopher, who lives in Versailles, MO.

Although Ridgedale is home for Junior and Glenda, they have purchased an RV and plan to travel more when Glenda retires. Until that time arrives, Junior says he has begun work on the "never ending" list of honeymoons. We wish Junior a long and enjoyable retirement. Thank you for the years of dedicated service.

Tpr. Robert T. Thomas



Trooper Robert T. "Tim" Thomas retired July 1, 2012, after more than 31 years of distinguished service with the Missouri State Water Patrol and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Tim was born in Branson, and lived at Kisse Mills, MO, until 1981. He graduated from Forsyth High School and later attended College of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, MO.

Tim began his career on January 12, 1981, as a member of the Water Patrol's 19th Recruit Class. Upon graduation, Tim was assigned to Hermann, MO, where he was responsible for the Missouri, Mississippi, Gasconade, and other rivers in East Central Missouri. In 1983, he transferred to Smithville, MO, and became responsible for 22 counties in Northwest Missouri. In

1984, he was assigned to the James River arm of Table Rock Lake. On January 1, 2011, the Missouri State Water Patrol merged into the Missouri State Highway Patrol. However, Tim remained assigned to the James River arm of Table Rock Lake until his retirement.

Throughout his 31-year career, Tim was assigned to various special assignments and positions. Some of these include: the Times Beach disaster, numerous flood duty activations, several statewide manhunts, boat races, security for the U.S. Supreme Court, and the Hell's Angels detail. He served as an evidence officer, crime scene investigator, MSWP Academy instructor, accident reconstruction officer, and a Type II Blood Alcohol supervisor. Also, Tim was a former member of the Southwest Missouri Major Case Squad, the commissioner/reports committee, the MSWP undercover unit, the MSWP dive team, the Stone County child death review board, and chairman of the MSWP 50th anniversary committee.

Tim received several awards, both in a uniform and a civilian capacity. Some of these include the MSWP District III-Southwest Missouri Officer Of The Year, two Lifesaving Awards for water rescues, and he was recognized for his outstanding work in the undercover drug unit, evidence administration, and in criminal investigations. During his time in the military, from 1978-1984, Tim was honored in 1980, by the St. Louis Globe Democrat, as the outstanding National Guard Officer Of The Year.

Tim's retirement plans include expanding his career as a hunting guide, dedicating more time to competitive shooting events, and enjoying time with family. Also, he continues to stay very active in his community and throughout the state. Since 1992, Tim has been very active with the Masonic Lodge fraternal organization. He currently serves as the Junior Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge and is in

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the advancing leadership line for the Grand Lodge of Missouri. Through this organization, he has been heavily involved in charitable work, fundraising, and the college scholarship program. Tim is on the board of directors of the Masonic Children's Foundation that recently identified the 150,000th child in Missouri through the Missouri Child Identification and Protection Program.

Tim and his wife, Kathryn, reside in Crane, MO. They have two children: daughter, Shelby, 15, and son, Andy, 24, who lives in Branson, MO.

We wish Tim a long and enjoyable retirement. Thank you for your years of dedicated service.

Chief Oper. Steven D. Gronemeyer



Chief Operator Steven D. Gronemeyer, Troop C, retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol after 35 1/2 years of dedicated service.

After graduating from Odebolt-Arthur High School in Odebolt, Iowa, Steve attended Brown Institute for Radio and Television Broadcasting in Minneapolis. Upon completing his broadcast training, Steve sent out audition tapes to various radio stations around the country. Eventually, Texas

County Broadcasting of Houston, MO, called and offered him a job.

Steve went to work for them in February 1973 as an on-air personality as well as writing and producing commercials just as anyone does in a small market station. He enjoyed playing music that included easy listening along with rock & roll on the FM station. Since the FM station was licensed for 24-hour operation, they would broadcast most of the local high school football and basketball games as well as Cardinals baseball. He would also fill in on the AM station that played country-western, bluegrass, and gospel music, and was licensed only for daytime operation. He was the program director for both stations at the time of his departure.

While living and working in Houston, Steve became good friends with the two troopers who lived in town. He spoke quite often to both retired Major Michael B. Pace and retired Sergeant Larry B. Southern. They encouraged him to apply for the Communications Division of the Highway Patrol. Steve traveled to Troop G, Willow Springs, several times to visit with the radio guys working there and soon put in an application for employment. Before long, he was called to Jefferson City for testing along with just one other person at the time, retired Chief Anthony F. Chinnici. The very next morning, while working the early shift at the radio station, Steve was called by the Director of Radio Raymond Bilbrey (captain, now retired), and offered a job with the Highway Patrol at Troop C, St. Louis. Steve gave the station manager his two-week notice and on October 15, 1976, he and Tony both began their careers with the MSHP Communications Division.

During his 35 1/2 years of service, Steve worked the State Fair detail, was involved in the week-long Michael Jackson manhunt near Wright City, and also assisted with the search for Jerome Mallet after he shot and killed Trooper James M. Froemdsdorf on Interstate 55 in Perry County.

Quite often, Steve would finish his radio shift at 11 p.m., then go out and ride with officers in the zones to observe firsthand how they performed their duties. By doing this, he understood more clearly what information the road officer needed once he got back behind the microphone. Steve learned a lot by riding many hours with hardworking road officers such as retired Sergeant James L. Carter, retired Major Lawrence C. White, retired Sergeant Kenneth G. Hoelker, and retired Sergeant Ralph E. Schmidt, just to name a few.

Steve also loves to fly. He earned his private pilot's license not long after moving to the St. Louis area. Because he loved to fly, he spent much of his free time flying with many of the Troop C pilots in both the fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft. He flew traffic flights with pilots retired Sergeant Jesse Murphy, former member Robert F. Stumpf, retired Lieutenant Richard L. Rehmeier, former member Jerry E. Turley, retired Sergeant William J. Finnegan, and Captain Kevin A. Geiger, Q/GD. He really enjoyed flying in the old, two person Bell 47 helicopter with the big bubble just like the ones used in Korea to transport wounded to a nearby M*A*S*H* unit. It was quite a change for the Patrol when they went from the Bell 47 to the Bell Jet Ranger. What a difference!

In January 1989, Steve was promoted to the position of Troop C MULES training engineer. He spent the next 15 years providing MULES training of all kinds to radio operators, communications personnel, troopers, and officers from numerous other agencies throughout the Troop C area. He was also involved in several of the MULES conventions that provided training for hundreds of people throughout Missouri and surrounding states. In December 2007, Steve was promoted to chief operator in Troop C. It is from this position that he retires.

One of his proudest moments was in October 2008 when they moved the entire Troop C operation from the

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old building at U.S. Highway 40 and Mason Road in St Louis County, where they had been since 1968, to the new location at U.S. Highways 40 and 94 in St Charles County. Steve and his crew were able to move into a “state of the art” communications center that includes six console positions. The radio room includes its own kitchenette, tables and chairs for eating, and men’s and women’s restrooms. Steve invites anyone who has not been to the new Troop C to stop and visit. Captain Ronald S. Johnson, Troop C, and his staff are very proud of the building and eager to provide tours for anyone who takes the time to stop by.

Steve has been married for over 30 years to his wonderful and patient wife, Mary. Mary grew up in the Wentzville/Dardenne Prairie area and is retired from the phone company. She and Steve are looking forward to more travel with no deadlines to meet or certain times they have to be home. Steve hopes to spend more time on the golf course and take more frequent trips to Iowa to visit his dad, brother, and sister. Steve and Mary have three grown children: Melody Moore, from St Charles, MO, Benjamin, from Florence, SC, and Gabe, from Ballwin, MO. They also have three grandchildren with whom they look forward to spending more time.

Steve has spent his entire career in Troop C and retires under his 10th troop commander and 11th MSHP superintendent. He has had the privilege of working with top quality men and women throughout the years, and feels the Missouri State Highway Patrol is one of the finest organizations in the country. He will truly miss working with these fine people each day and wishes nothing but the best for all.

Troop C wishes Steve and his family a healthy and prosperous retirement!

MVI Sprv. Cary B. Olenhouse



On May 1, 2012, Motor Vehicle Supervisor Cary B. “Butch” Olenhouse retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol with more than 24 years of service.

Butch is a native of Chillicothe, MO, and graduated from Chillicothe High School. He also attended Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, MO, where he studied busi-

ness management. Prior to his employment with the Patrol, Butch worked as a manager of Country Carpets in Chillicothe.

Butch began his career with the Patrol on May 1, 1988 at Troop H. On July 1, 2000, Butch was promoted to motor vehicle inspector supervisor and finished his career at Troop H.

Butch and his wife, Marsha, have four children: Jason, Kimberly, Brett, and Liddy.

“Having worked in the private sector, I can’t think of a better place to work than here,” said Butch. “The people and the organization are by far the best to work with. We are so fortunate to work here.”

Butch is working part time at Lowe’s, and is thinking about all of the projects at home and on the farm.

“I just want to savor the moment and enjoy what I have earned,” he said. He and Marsha plan to spend time with the family.

Troop H wishes Butch and Marsha the very best in retirement!

MPERS Selects New Director

By MPERS

The MoDOT and Highway Patrol Employees’ Retirement System (MPERS) has selected Mr. Scott Simon to serve as its new executive director. He replaces Susie Dahl, who retired September 1.

“Scott was a great hire. We are confident that with his pension background, he will continue to provide excellent leadership to MPERS for years to come,” says Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB and MPERS Board chairman.

Prior to joining MPERS, Mr. Simon gained more than 15 years of public pension plan experience with the Missouri State Employees’ Retirement System (MOSERS). As the manager of Benefit Services, he was responsible for coordinating MOSERS’ retirement, life insurance, and long-term disability benefit programs.

Mr. Simon holds a bachelor’s of science degree in business administration from the University of Missouri. He resides in Tipton, MO, with his wife, Manda, and son, Birkley.



*Scott Simon
New Executive Director
MPERS*

Congratulations On Your Retirement!



**Phyllis A.
Kaminski
DE III
Troop C**

*Retired July 1, 2012.
16 years three months of
dedicated service.*



**Brian E.
Cooseman
DE III
Troop C**

*Retired July 1, 2012.
24 years and three months of
dedicated service.*

**Dennis L. Hutton
Lieutenant
Troop D**

*Retired August 1, 2012.
26 years seven months of
dedicated service.*



**Michael L.
McKinley
CVO II
Troop E**

*Retired August 1, 2012.
15 years of dedicated service.*



**James W.
Watkins
Assistant Director
Q/MVID**

*Retired August 1, 2012.
28 years of dedicated service.*



**Mikel A. Cool
Sergeant
Q/FOB**

*Retired September 1, 2012.
33 years of dedicated service.*



**Charles M.
Dempsey
Sergeant
Q/GD**

*Retired September 1, 2012.
37 years nine months of
dedicated service.*



**Michael J.
Engelbrecht
Sergeant
Q/GSD**

*Retired September 1, 2012.
27 years of dedicated service.*



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Barry G. Matthews
Corporal
Troop E

*Retired September 1, 2012.
 25 years of dedicated service.*



Ronda R. Pekarek
DE III
Troop D

*Retired September 1, 2012.
 12 years of dedicated service.*



Timothy R. Selvey
Sergeant
Troop D

*Retired September 1, 2012.
 34 years of dedicated service.*

Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

45 years ago

September 1967 — It was announced that a new Troop A Headquarters would be built in Lee's Summit. The new Troop C Headquarters officially opened with a reception and public inspection. A photo layout highlighted Troop I Headquarters.

35 years ago

October 1977 — A photo showed Radio Shop Technicians Walter L. Swearingen, James A. Neirmeyer, and Arlin D. Basinger unpacking 664 scanner receivers. Each scanner was to be tested and five crystals installed inside each one, so officers on the road would be able to monitor the mutual aid frequency, various police departments, sheriff's departments, and the Conservation Commission. Another photo showed Capt. Roy C. Dallam, Lt. James L. Calhoun, Sgt. Marlin C. Carroll, and Capt. C.E. "Mel" Fisher, talking with entertainer Waylon Jennings at the Missouri State Fair.

25 years ago

September 1987 — A feature article told about the Air Force, Headquarters 55th Combat Support Group Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, NE, providing training for the Patrol's S.E.R.T. The training took place over two weeks and included physical fitness, tactical maneuvers, sniper operations, and applying these techniques during various exercises.

15 years ago

October 1997 — The Patrol organized its Major Crash Investigation Unit. The centerfold detailed Colonel Fred M. Mills' retirement reception.

5 years ago

September/October 2007 — A motorcycle summit addressed safety concerns at Gail's Harley-Davidson in Grandview, MO. The 86th Recruit Class' graduation ceremony took place on the Capitol grounds for the first time in Patrol history.

TRAFFIC FATALITIES				
Year To Date Oct. 29, 2012	Same Period Last Year Year To Date	Number Of Increase Or Decrease	2010 Traffic Fatalities	2011 Traffic Fatalities
681	640	+41	821	786

Note: These totals do not include late deaths.

Partnership Fosters Exchange Of Ideas

By *Tpr. Darrin R. Haslag, Troop F*

During the weekend of June 28 - July 1, 2012, Troop F was privileged to host a special group of military and police representatives from the country of Panama. This special delegation was in Missouri as part of the Missouri National Guard's State Partnership Program. The State Partnership Program was formed in 1996 with a goal of establishing enduring relationships between the Missouri National Guard, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and members of the military and police forces of Panama. It provides officials in Panama with unique opportunities to observe and learn about enforcement practices, emergency services, and communication functions as they exist in the state of Missouri. It also gives those agencies in Missouri an opportunity to learn new ideas and practices from their Panamanian friends.

The delegation was made up of seven members from various Panamanian agencies, which included the National Police of Panama, the Central Protection Service of Panama (Panama's equivalent of FEMA), the National Air and Naval Service, and the Anti-Drug Tactical Unit of the Panamanian Police. These members participated in several activities, such as classes discussing the history of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the responsibilities of the marine operation troopers, and training on the operation of a BWI checkpoint. Members were able to tour Troop F Headquarters, the GHQ Garage, the Information and Communications Technology Division, and the Troop F radio room. They were also able to see the Academy complex, the range, as well as the Safety Education Center.

On the evening of June 29, members attended a briefing prior to going out on the water and working with marine operations troopers as they conducted a boating while intoxicated checkpoint on the Lake of the Ozarks. During this checkpoint, our Panamanian friends observed officers make



Capt. Gregory Kindle, Troop F, joined the officers from Panama for a group photo.

contact with 47 boats, conduct 14 sobriety tests, and arrest three subjects for BWI. On July 1, 2012, after grabbing a quick bite to eat and some much needed rest, the group attended a debriefing at Troop F Headquarters. At this debriefing, members were asked for feedback about the time spent in Missouri. The members expressed deep gratitude for the training they received and stressed how impressed they were with the professionalism of the employees of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Most expressed how surprised they were at the advanced equipment and technology used by the Patrol, especially in the Communications Division.

It was noted how the agency seemed to work together in a streamlined fashion. Our visitors stressed how apparent it was that all departments realized it's a team effort. Members expressed a desire to learn more about our practices to determine if a subject is impaired and the application of various field sobriety tests, both on and off the water. They shared some insight on officer safety practices they use in Panama, during their patrols, and spoke of officer safety practices used by our marine operations troopers. After some discussion and questions about possible future visits, Captain Gregory D. Kindle, commanding officer of Troop F, presented each member of the delegation a gift bag expressing our appreciation for the partnership and a certificate recognizing their participation in the program.

With the help of an interpreter, I was able to interview a member of the

group, Lieutenant M. Palacio, who is a member of the Anti Drug Tactical Unit of the Panamanian Police. Lt. Palacio stated he was so appreciative of the opportunity to come and exchange information with one of the strongest nations in the world and more importantly, one of its most respected law enforcement agencies. Lt. Palacio was impressed with how the Missouri State Highway Patrol takes steps to cover every issue, down to, as he put it, "a micro level." He said everything from the diagram of the checkpoint to ensuring each officer who works the checkpoint is in attendance at the briefing impressed him. It's the Patrol's attention to detail which he said impressed him the most. He also said the communications between radio, troopers, and command staff was amazing. The constant flow of information between all those involved was interesting to see and something he will take back and hopes to emulate in his assignment in Panama.

When asked about his thoughts on the program, Captain Kindle said, "The program is very valuable to both the Panamanian Police Forces as well as the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Being able to share our knowledge with other agencies is very important. The Patrol has been involved with this program for several years and I hope our involvement is making a difference in Central America."

Overall, the agencies involved agree this partnership is a valuable program and one which should be continued. Discussions are already under way to plan additional phases of the program in the coming years.

TROOPERS MANAGE TRAFFIC FOR RUNAWAY KIA

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

It was Sunday, August 26, just after Cpl. Justin S. Johnson and Tpr. Benjamin R. Hilliard, both Troop H, finished lunch at a fast food restaurant in Bethany, MO. Both heard a call for assistance from the Harrison County 9-1-1 dispatcher. The dispatcher was on the phone with a woman who reported the accelerator in her Kia was stuck. The Kia was traveling northbound on Interstate 35. At the time of the call, the vehicle had just passed the 88-mile marker.

Bethany is located at the 92-mile marker. Thus, the troopers were nearby and responded to the call. Within 30-60 seconds after the troopers pulled onto the crossover just south of Bethany, the car appeared.

"When we first heard the dispatcher's voice, it was obvious that she had something serious going on," said Tpr. Hilliard. "We heard the dispatcher say the vehicle was traveling 80 miles an hour and couldn't stop."

"Our plan was for one to follow and one to lead," explained Cpl. Johnson. "We communicated to each other over our two-way radio."

"We'd just pulled into the crossover and she went by," added Tpr. Hilliard. "She was flying."

What followed was a 65-mile trek up I-35 traveling at speeds well over 100 mph. "When we were near her, I would estimate the Kia traveled 105 to 110 mph." The troopers stayed with the Kia for the next 34 minutes. While managing traffic, the officers were communicating with each other, Harrison County's 9-1-1 dispatch, and Troop H Headquarters. These conversations were yielding ideas to try to stop the vehicle.

Meanwhile, the driver of the Kia, Lori Ulvestad, of Ames, Iowa, had her hands full. When the problem first began, she called her husband, who owns a body shop. His suggestions didn't stop the vehicle, so he instructed her to call 9-1-1, which she did. Ulvestad held her cell phone in one hand and the steering wheel in the other as her

Lori Ulvestad, the runaway Kia's driver, hugged Cpl. Justin Johnson when she was finally able to exit the vehicle. Cpl. Johnson reached around and shut off the Kia.

vehicle flew up Interstate 35. While staying alert for vehicles and other potential hazards, she tried each suggestion provided by Harrison County dispatch and the Highway Patrol.

Her vehicle had a start button requiring a proximity key fob rather than a key. One suggestion was to toss the key fob out the window, thinking the engine might turn off if the fob wasn't close enough to the vehicle. With her key fob in her purse out of reach, this option wasn't possible. However, Ulvestad did try the brake pedal, checked under the accelerator to make sure nothing was blocking it, applied the parking brake, and attempted to change gears. It didn't appear the Kia was going to stop; and, it's fuel tank was full.

There were times when traffic patterns caused the troopers to move out of the way and allow the Kia to pass. They then would catch up and resume the high speed escort. If the troopers' lights and sirens didn't inspire drivers to move their vehicles out of the way, the three vehicles were forced to use evasive maneuvers.

"The Kia went into the median six or seven times during the drive," explained Cpl. Johnson. "I went into the median twice. The first time, I drove way off into median, because a car wouldn't get out of the way and the Kia would have hit me. The second time, I was following her lead. But, only my left tires were in the median a little. I needed to do that to go around a car."

"There was nothing we could do," said Tpr. Hilliard. "We just tried to get cars out of the way. We were pretty much helpless. It was up to her driving. I thought her driving was pretty amazing. There are a lot of people out there who couldn't have done that. She did extremely well."

"It was an unfortunate situation," said Cpl. Johnson. "But, we couldn't really stop at the state line and let her go on by herself."



Both officers admitted to thinking the situation was going to end in a traffic crash. "I never thought it'd turn out the way it did," admitted Tpr. Hilliard. "We were going to stay with her until Iowa could get a couple of people in position and take over the escort. But, it didn't happen that way."

It was an idea from the Highway Patrol's General Headquarters in Jefferson City that proved fruitful. Captain Duane L. Robinson, Troop H, had reported the situation to Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB. It was Major Johnson who suggested Ulvestad press the brake and lift the accelerator at the same time.

This action, her pulling up on the accelerator while pushing down on the brake pedal, resulted in her vehicle slowing down.

Cpl. Johnson stopped immediately behind the Kia, put his vehicle in park and then quickly exited it. "She came out of the vehicle crying and shaking. She hugged me, and it was kinda awkward, because at the same time, I was trying to get around her to stop her vehicle, which was still moving."

Cpl. Johnson was able to turn off the vehicle and then the troopers made sure it was in the median away from the interstate. At that point, Iowa law enforcement took over the situation. Understandably, Ulvestad's family came to pick her up and her husband arranged a tow truck to pick up the Kia.

Both Cpl. Johnson and Tpr. Hilliard then made their way back to Missouri, knowing they had been an example of the Patrol's motto of service and protection.

About the incident, Tpr. Hilliard said, "All in a day's work ..."

'Looking Beyond The Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial traffic/boating stop. Each of these officers made at least one arrest during the period of June 26, 2012 to August 25, 2012. (Editor's note: This column excludes DWI/BWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information in the "miscellaneous" section of the radio report to be considered for this column.)

Troop A

Tpr. D.C. Belardo, 2 arrests
Sgt. A.J. Bell, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.J. Crump, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.R. Dancy, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.R. Dodson, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.I. Goolsby, 4 arrests
Sgt. D.S. Green, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.M. Harrison, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.J. Jenner, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.A. Jones, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.S. Kutzner, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.D. Mathes, 5 arrests
Sgt. R.B. McGinnis, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.P. Millsap, 2 arrests
Tpr. B.R. Peters, 2 arrests
Cpl. G.D. Primm, 4 arrests
Cpl. S.M. Salfrank, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.A. Schmutzler, 4 arrests
Sgt. C.M. Stosberg, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.J. Sullivan, 2 arrests
Cpl. J.M. Toal, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.D. Wallace, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.J. Yoder, 1 arrest

Troop B

Cpl. R.H. Bartels, 1 arrest
Sgt. N.D. Berry, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.D. Davidson, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.S. Dunn, 1 arrest
Cpl. C.M. Duppong, 3 arrests
Cpl. R.T. Fessler, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.L. Gaines, 3 arrests
Tpr. T.J. Haley, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.P. Johnson, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.J. Lewis, 1 arrest
Cpl. K.E. Linear, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.F. Porter, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.D. Primm, 4 arrests
Tpr. L.P. Quinn, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.B. Ritter, 1 arrest
Sgt. R.L. Seiner, 2 arrests*
CVO Sprv. I K.E. Cullifer, 1 assist*
Tpr. D.S. Spring, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.D. Tappendorf, 1 arrest

Troop C

Tpr. M.T. Angrisani, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.A. Ashby, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.A. Bowles Jr., 1 arrest

Sgt. J.R. Campbell, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.P. Coleman, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.M. Coval, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.D. Flynn, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.D. Gullett, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.T. Harms, 1 arrest
Cpl. T.R. Jenkins, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.C. Long, 1 arrest
Tpr. W.J. Luzenko, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. McCurdy, 3 arrests
Cpl. J.D. Oughton, 1 arrest
Cpl. D.B. Reed, 1 arrest
Cpl. W.B. Sevier, 2 arrests
Tpr. Z.S. Wang, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.J. Washabaugh, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.L. Woods, 1 arrest

Troop D

Tpr. Z.K. Bryan, 1 arrest
Cpl. T.L. Hall, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.R. Hukill, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.K. Isringhausen, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.L. Kelley, 5 arrests
Tpr. W.S. Lashmet, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.L. Mason, 1 arrest
Sgt. S.R. Monk, 1 arrest
Cpl. E.J. Walker, 3 arrests

Troop E

Tpr. R.B. Arnold, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.A. Barnett, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.B. Christian, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.W. Crank, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.L. DeJournett, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.W. Eakins, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.D. Kahler, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.D. Owens, 2 arrests
Cpl. J.S. Stewart, 2 arrests
Tpr. S.K. Talburt, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.J. West, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.A. Wilson, 1 arrest

Troop F

Tpr. B.W. Adamson, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.A. Armstrong, 2 arrests
Tpr. S.A. Brazas, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.J. Graf, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.A. Halford, 3 arrests
Tpr. M.T. Halford, 4 arrests
Tpr. D.R. Haslag, 2 arrests

Tpr. C.G. Holzschuh, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.T. Johnson, 2 arrests
Cpl. S.B. Johnson, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.B. Kings, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.E. Morice, 3 arrests
Tpr. L.E. Rawson, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.L. Rice, 3 arrests
Tpr. N.R. Schaffer, 4 arrests
Tpr. K.A. Schrage, 2 arrests
Sgt. R.D. Shikles, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.K. Sullivan, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.A. Winter, 2 arrests

Troop G

Sgt. J.A. Cravens, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.D. Foster, 3 arrests
Cpl. S.N. Foster, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.D. Johnson, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.J. Johnson, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.C. Kuessner, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.J. Loring, 1 arrest
Cpl. S.L. Nelson, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.D. Piccinino, 3 arrests
Tpr. E.M. VanWinkle, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.D. Vaughan, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.V.J. Volkmer, 1 arrest

Troop H

Sgt. L.M. Allen, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.N. Garton, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.S. Gates, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.K. Griffin, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.R. Hilliard, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.S. Johnson, 1 arrest
Cpl. P.M. Kimball, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.A. Landi, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.S. Lowe, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.E. Peabody, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.L. Starmer, 4 arrests
Sgt. J.H. Thompson, 1 arrest
Sgt. M.A. Wilhoit, 2 arrests

Troop I

Tpr. D. Blankenship, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.D. DeClue, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.A. Goodson, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.A. Stallcup, 1 arrest

GHQ

Tpr. B.A. Vogt, 1 arrest

Tpr. Tesch Honored For Volunteer Work

By The U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District Of Missouri

Acting U.S. Attorney David M. Ketchmark, Western District of Missouri, announced that Trooper Gregory K. Tesch, Troop A, received the 2011 Enoch B. Morelock Award during the 10th Annual LECC Training Seminar in Springfield, MO, on August 23, 2012.

The Enoch B. Morelock Award is an annual recognition of someone who shows outstanding moral character, service to law enforcement, and service to the community. The U.S. Attorney's Office presents the award each year during the training conference. It is named in honor of Sullivan County Sheriff Enoch B. Morelock, who died in December 1847, and was the first recorded line of duty death in the Western District of Missouri.

Tpr. Tesch was honored for his commitment to public service both on and off duty. He serves the public admirably during his day-to-day activities as a trooper assigned to Jackson County. He enforces the law with compassion, fairness, and integrity. Tpr. Tesch assists Troop A's public information and education officers routinely with a variety of public service programs.

Tpr. Tesch volunteers much of his off-duty time to community service. He has been an active volunteer for the Boy Scouts of America for a large part of his life. He currently volunteers as an assistant cubmaster and pack trainer for Cub Scout Pack 366 in Lee's Summit, MO. In 2011, he also served as a unit commissioner for Cub Scout Pack 160 and Boy Scout Troop 160 in Belton, MO. Tesch assisted with the Thunderbird District Cub Scout Day Camp in June 2011.

Tpr. Tesch is a volunteer with the American Red Cross, conducting disaster education presentations. He has staffed several American Red Cross displays at home shows, fairs, and other venues. He also participated with the "Cause for Alarm" campaign in 2011. The volunteers with this campaign deliver smoke detectors and batteries to indigent families. Tpr. Tesch also

volunteers for Literacy Kansas City, which is a not-for-profit organization with the mission to "advance literacy among area adults through direct services, advocacy, and collaboration."

Tpr. Tesch finds time to participate in various fundraisers that benefit the community. In April 2011, he participated in the National Multiple Sclerosis Society "Walk for the Cure." In September 2011, he participated in a 5k run in Grain Valley, MO to benefit a family in need. He also donated several pints of blood to the Community Blood Center and the American Red Cross during 2011.

In addition to these activities, Tpr. Tesch is a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, National Rifle Association, and the Missouri State Troopers Association.



Law Enforcement Coordinator Les Kerr (l), U.S. Attorney's Office, congratulates Tpr. Gregory Tesch (r), Troop A, who accepted the 2011 Enoch B. Morelock Award.

Before his employment with the Patrol, Tpr. Tesch displayed a commitment to public service as a member of the United States Marine Corps. He served for 20 years before retiring at the rank of major. On July 1, 2008, he began his career with the Patrol.

What Are The Odds?

By Ret. Cpl. Gary L. Zink

What are the odds? I made not only one hole-in-one, but two on July 24, 2012. This occurred at Royal Oaks Golf Course, Whiteman AFB. The first one was on the second hole, which was a 186-yard, par 3. I hit a five iron, which hit three feet from the hole and then jumped into the cup. (I aced this same hole two years ago.) As if that wasn't fantastic enough, imagine my complete surprise when I stepped up to the ninth hole, a 146-yard, par 3, and hit an eight iron, which hit eight inches behind the hole, backed up, and disappeared inside it. Yes, I had a witness: my good friend Doug Maple. As to the odds of this occurring, the National Hole-In-One Registry says that the odds are 67 million to one. I am still in a daze. Retirement is great!!!!



Ret. Cpl. Gary L. Zink celebrates hitting two holes-in-one. Outstanding!

Deaths

Lloyd C. Cordes



Mr. Lloyd C. Cordes, 90, of Jefferson City, MO, died on Friday, July 27, 2012, at Adams Street Place. He was born on March 12, 1922, in Meade, KS, the son of the late Barthold and Katherine Wurdeman Cordes. Lloyd attended Meade High School in Meade, KS.

He was married on July 12, 1941, in Jefferson City, to Kathryn Major. He was a lifelong resident of the Central Missouri area. Lloyd enlisted in the United States Army serving in World War II Pacific Theatre and the Korean War. He was employed as a sergeant with the Jefferson City Police Department from 1953-1959. Lloyd then went to work as a driver examiner with the Missouri State Highway Patrol for 20 years, retiring on October 1, 1978.

Lloyd was a member of Union Hill Baptist Church; the Masonic Lodge #43, A.F. & A.M.; Veterans of Foreign Wars Roy Sone Post 1003; and Disabled American Veterans Oliver Buehrle #17. In his leisure time, Lloyd enjoyed auctioneering, showing horses, and spending time with family and friends.

Survivors include: his wife of 71 years, Kathryn Cordes; one daughter, Loy K. Wolters, of Holts Summit, MO;

two grandchildren, Barret J. Wolters (and his wife, Amy), of Jefferson City, and Layne A. Wolters, of Columbia, MO; and two great-grandchildren, Kayla S. Wolters and Lucas J. Wolters.

Visitation was held at Freeman Mortuary on July 30, 2012, and included a Masonic service. Funeral services took place on July 31, 2012, in the Freeman Chapel. The Reverend Frank Whitney and the Reverend G. Dale Norfolk officiated. Graveside services and interment with military honors occurred at Summit Memorial Park Cemetery, Holts Summit. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the DAV, Hospice Compassus, or Union Hill Baptist Church. Freeman Mortuary handled all funeral arrangements.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Cordes family.

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Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:

Fingerprint Tech. I Gayla C. Jenkins (Q/CJISD) - grandmother	Ret. Sgt. Paul J. Mertens - brother	grandfather
Ret. Cpl. F. Leroy Tucker - mother	Chief Tech. Terry L. Carroll (Q/ICTD) - mother-in-law	Sgt. Jeffrey S. Wagoner (E) - brother
Asst. Dir. Brent A. Miller (Q/BPD) - grandmother	Tpr. Robert D. Crewse (G) - grandmother-in-law	Cpl. Robert J. Parr (Q/HRD) - grandfather
Ret. Capt. Randall S. Beydler - father-in-law	Chief MVI Jeffrey A. Towns (C) - father	CDL Examiner Gerald L. Gregory (G) - grandmother
Prop. Inv. Cont. Eric S. LeCuru (Q/BPD) - brother	CIT III Todd D. Schneider (Q/ICTD) - grandmother	CVO II Bradford R. Gregory (B) - grandmother
Clerk Typist III Bonnie L. Rogers (E) - brother	Telecom. Maria T. Moore (F) - mother-in-law	CVO II Jason L. Gregory (G) - great-grandmother
Tpr. Anthony C. Vaughn (C) - grandfather	Quality Control Clerk II Constance M. Iman (Q/TFD) - husband	Fingerprint Tech. II Joy A. Sweigart (Q/CJISD) - brother
Capt. Dwayne F. Isringhausen (G) - father	Sgt. Nicholas D. Berry (B) - mother-in-law	Admin. Ofc. Support Asst. Karen S. Erb (G) - father
Sgt. Dwell T. Isringhausen (Q/GSD) - father	CVE Inspector I Jason E. Lawrence (H) - grandfather	Ret. Sgt. David L. Erb - father-in-law
Tpr. Dwade F. Isringhausen (C) - grandfather	Tpr. John C. Gilliland (H) - mother-in-law	Capt. Matthew C. Walz (F) - brother
Tpr. Seth D. Isringhausen (D) - grandfather	DE III Michael K. Verbrugge (F) - grandmother	Ret. CVO Sprv. I Larry D. Woodruff - father
Tpr. Derek A. Mason (C) - brother	CVE Inspector II Justin R. Richardson (H) - grandmother	DE III Wanda F. Woodruff (C) - father-in-law
CVO II Eric D. Cornman (C) - grandmother	DE III Pamela M. Cooseman (C) - grandfather	
CVO Sprv. II Gerald W. Johnson (H) - mother-in-law	Cpl. C. Clay Meyer (D) - mother	
	Tpr. Dustin L. Braynard (Q/AD) -	

~ Thank You ~

To Our Patrol Family,

Please know that your many acts of kindness during the recent loss of our father/grandfather were cherished by our family. We were overwhelmed with the cards, sentiments, prayers, and telephone calls. To those of you who attended the visitation or funeral, you will never know how humbled and honored we were to see you there. The Missouri State Highway Patrol is a great organization made up of great and caring people. May God bless each of you.

*Captain Dwayne F. Isringhausen,
Troop G,
Sergeant Dwell T. Isringhausen,
Q/GSD,
Trooper Dwade F. Isringhausen,
Troop C,
Trooper Seth D. Isringhausen,
Troop D,
& families*



On behalf of the Bean and Ryan families, I would like to thank everyone for the many cards, phone calls, and other acts of kindness that we received after the passing of our mother and grandmother, Pauline Bean. We were so very blessed to have had her as our sweet and kind example for over 101 years. She is missed very much by all of us. Thank you again, for remembering us during this time. A special thank you to those who attended the service.

*Sincerely,
Ret. CVO Sprv. Lyman W. Bean &
family
Ret. Sgt. Ron and Brenda Ryan &
family*



On behalf of the GHQ Torch Run committee, I would like to thank everyone for supporting the Special Olympics ice cream social fundraiser. We earned a profit of \$782.03. I would like to thank the committee for their hard work. Also, thanks to Food Service Manager Betty R. Burnett, Q/TND, and the Academy personnel who helped order supplies, prepared the food, and made sure we had everything necessary to serve the food.

*Thanks,
Lt. John J. Hotz, Q/PIED*



Our family would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, and kind words that were offered after the death of my grandfather, Jim Andrews. We'd also like to thank all those who attended the memorial service. Everyone's thoughtfulness was very much appreciated.

*Trooper J. Clayton Marlin,
Troop I, & family*



On behalf of my family, I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, visits, and cards following the death of my mother, Cherry Meyer. She was a grand lady who will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

*Thank you,
Sgt. C. Clay Meyer, Troop D*



I would like to thank everyone for their kindness, prayers, and cards with condolences after the death of my brother, Ben D. Daugherty Jr. I was

especially touched to receive notes from Colonel Ron Repogle, Lt Colonel Richard Coffey, and other members of the Highway Patrol staff. It meant a lot to me and my family during this time. Patrol personnel are truly the best.

*Sincerely,
Fingerprint Tech. II Joy A.
Sweigert, Q/CJISD*



I would like to thank my Patrol family for all of the cards, prayers, calls, and words of encouragement after the death of my dad, Harold Murfin. I would also like to thank those who were able to attend the visitation or funeral. This has been a very difficult time for me and my family, and your support was greatly appreciated! May God bless all of you!!

*Admin. Ofc. Support Asst. Karen
S. Erb and family, Troop G*

November

Nov. 4	• Central Standard Time begins at 2 a.m.
Nov. 12	• Veterans' Day observed.
Nov. 22	• Thanksgiving

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Ship Ahoy!

PN Reporter Experiences Marine Operations On Table Rock Lake

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Table Rock Lake near Branson, MO, is a 43,000 acre lake with almost 800 miles of shoreline. It was created by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1958. The White River was dammed to form the lake, and the dam acts as a means of flood control. Table Rock Lake is known for largemouth and white bass, crappie, catfish, and bluegill fishing.

According to Missouri State Parks statistics (www.mostateparks.com) there were 1,194,027 visitors to the lake in 2011. With all of these people visiting the lake either to fish, tube, ski, swim, or just float on the water, a need for law enforcement is generated.

I had the privilege of riding with Trooper W. Ryan Zeller, Troop D. Tpr. Zeller has 10 years combined service with the Water Patrol and Highway Patrol, and is from Branson, MO.

The day I rode along, he had his K-9 partner, Laky*, with him. Laky is used for drug interdiction as needed. I could tell Tpr. Zeller and K-9 Laky have a connection ... you could sense the bond between them. K-9 Laky minded the commands given by Tpr. Zeller, even though the command "reverse" was given several times in a row when Tpr. Zeller was bending over to



MVI III Charles McMillan (l) enjoyed experiencing part of a shift on Table Rock Lake with Tpr. W. Ryan Zeller (r).

pick up something off the deck and Laky put his face next to his head—just like a kid ... K-9 Laky had to know what was going on.

Tpr. Zeller commanded a 29-foot Donzi Center Console boat. The boat boasts two Mercury 250HP motors. I couldn't tell they were running until he pushed the controls forward and we slowly left the harbor.

It was a quiet day for a Saturday, probably due to it being overcast and having a forecast of possible scattered storms. Even with these conditions, there were several boats to watch and keep the peace.

As we were going along the lake



K-9 Laky is trained in drug interdiction. He serves as Tpr. W. Ryan Zeller's partner on Table Rock Lake.

with the dam to our starboard, we noticed a watercraft port side that was pulling tubers. The only problem was that a couple of the people inside the boat were sitting up on the back of the boat, which is not allowed by law. So, for their safety, we made a boat stop. The people were from Springfield, MO, and had rented the vessel. A written warning was given and the operator of the boat thanked us as we left.

In 2011, the merging of the Missouri State Water Patrol into the Missouri State Highway Patrol created an even better organization to serve the needs of Missouri's citizens in the area of public safety. I left Tpr. Zeller that day feeling like we were brothers in arms. Well, he was armed. But, anyway, the feeling of the Patrol family was evident. We are one family now.

** K-9 Laky retired effective September 1, 2012. He remains with the Zeller family.*