

## From the Staff ...

Major Tommy Roam
Water Patrol Division



### **Be A Good Samaritan**

Missouri is blessed to have thousands of miles of beautiful winding country roads and an abundance of clear lakes and streams to enjoy. With the arrival of warm weather, Missouri citizens and visitors take to the road and water to enjoy their surroundings. Some take a boat out to enjoy the water, others ride motorcycles, and still others plan a family road trip to one of Missouri's recreation destinations. Unfortunately, traveling on our roads and waterways can be dangerous or even deadly.

When mishaps occur, it offers responding troopers and civilians the opportunity to be a good neighbor. While we deal with others' tragedy daily, it is easy to forget that this is likely the first time that person has been in a crash. The fatal victim of a crash was someone's mother, father, son, or daughter. These victims, or their families, have been through a traumatic experience and are hurting. It is possible that one of us may be the only Patrol employee with whom that person will ever have contact. Therefore, our response to that call for help is crucial. It provides you and I a great opportunity to be a calming force in the midst of traumatic events.

As you go to work each day, remember that today you may have an opportunity to assist someone who is likely scared and in need. How we meet that need for service says more to the victim than any words we may say. Take that opportunity to be a "Good Samaritan."

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On the April 18 edition of the television show The Pulse of St Louis, the topic was work zone safety. Representatives from the Missouri Department of Transportation, Illinois Department of Transportation joined (right) Sgt. Al P. Nothum, Troop C, for the discussion.

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(l to r)President Doug Mitchell, The MASTERS, presents the 2013 The MASTERS Public Service Award to Trooper Gregory K. Tesch, Troop A.

### Communications Operators Recognized

#### By Chief Oper. Roger D. Martin, Q/ICTD

Public safety communications professionals from across the state met at the Lake of the Ozarks in March to receive training, meet with commercial representatives, view new products, and get the latest news on operational and administrative issues at the 2013 MONENA-MOAPCO\* Combined Conference. Patrol communications personnel, who are members of these professional associations, were involved in all aspects of conference planning throughout the year, and worked diligently during the conference to ensure it was a success. Patrol communications operators, who also serve as academic instructors for the Missouri Professional Training Partnership between MOAPCO and the Highway Patrol, joined with other partnership instructors and agencies to provide exceptional training presentations on today's technology and tomorrow's upgrades, personal and professional motivation, performance evaluation skills, proactive leadership, professional relationships between

responders and dispatchers, supervision, using your own electronic device during incidents, how to go from call taking to information gathering, and a variety of other subjects. Additionally, members of the Information & Communications Technology Division's training team provided presentations on being effective trainers and on the Patrol's communications training operator/evaluator program.

The climax of the conference each year is the presentation of honors and awards. Outstanding contributors to the public safety communications profession are recognized at the annual Missouri awards banquet. In 2013, two Patrol employees were honored for their achievements:

- Communications Operator II Tracy A. Hux, Troop H, was named 2013 Telecommunicator of the Year.
- Assistant Chief Operator Laurie C.
   Wall, Troop H, was recognized as

the Missouri APCO "George Major" Trainer of the Year.

Other award winners included: Paula Volkmer, Rolla Central Communications, Director of the Year; Susan Carroll & Jenall Watkins, Barry Countv E9-1-1. Team of the Year: Saralyn Hayes, Mid-America Regional Council (MARC), Supervisor of the Year; and Robin Tieman, Cass County 9-1-1 director, Missouri APCO President's Award of Excellence. Award winners have been nominated for corresponding awards at the national association level. We congratulate those honored for their performance and all Patrol employees who so generously share their knowledge and experience with other public safety communications professionals.

\* MONENA-MOAPCO stands for Missouri National Emergency Number Association-Missouri Association of Public Safety Communications Officials.

### Prob. Operators Complete Training

#### By Chief Oper. Roger D. Martin, Q/ICTD

On February 22, 2013, six probationary communications operators completed the Communications Operator Academy hosted by the **Information & Communications** Technology Division's Operations Section. Training took place at the Patrol Training Academy. During the course, probationary operators completed the public safety communications telecommunicator course, cultural awareness. and computer aided dispatch course. They also completed training and exercises covering administrative message writing, critical incident reporting, and standard Patrol communications



procedures. Guest instructors from troop communication centers provided expert instruction in standards as well as insight into troop procedures and day-to-day operations. Pictured are the Patrol's newest probationary communications operators: (l to r) Annette G. Tesch, Troop A, Scott A. Miller, Troop C, Jodi E. Regnery, Troop A, Brandy L. Rehmeier, Troop F, Ashton R. Meyer, Troop F, and Lacy J. Koncor,

The 2013 Harry W. Duncan Director's Award for the highest overall grade point average was awarded to Operator Annette Tesch, Troop A.

Congratulations to the new operators!

### Troopers Use Snow Advantage

#### By Sgt. Douglas J. Hedrick, Troop A

On February 26, 2013, Sergeant Bryan G. Parrott, Troop A, was involved in a pursuit that ended with the driver fleeing from the vehicle in a Kansas City apartment complex. When Trooper Matt J. Yoder, Troop A, arrived on the scene to assist, Sgt. Parrott advised him of where the driver was last seen. Immediately Tpr. Yoder was able to pick up shoe prints in the partially snow covered parking lot. He continued to follow the tracks, and observed an area where the snow had been disturbed recently. He indicated the suspect appeared to have "wiped out" while attempting to flee in the deep snow drift. Tpr. Yoder continued tracking the distinguishing shoe print, which he guessed to be a size seven or eight, around buildings and down a sidewalk until it stopped near an apartment building.

Sgt. Parrott had obtained an address from paperwork located inside the pursued vehicle. When he showed Tpr. Yoder the address, they happened to be standing right outside the door. It took several minutes for someone to come to the door. Upon contact with a resident at the apartment, it was later discovered a pair of gray "Air Jordan" shoes, size seven and still wet from the snow, was sitting on a shelf along with several other "Jump Man" basketball shoes, which were dry. Tpr. Yoder noted that the soles of the "Air Jordan" shoes matched the prints found in the snow. A male suspect located in the apartment later admitted to driving the vehicle. His shoes of choice to wear to jail ... You guessed it, the gray "Air Jordan's."

Both Sgt. Parrott and Tpr. Matt Yoder are members of the Troop A SWAT team, which attended training by the Cameron Police Department in November 2012, on tracking individuals by understanding how to read different tracks by using sign, shine, transfer of material from one ground median to another, and observing flattening or compressions in the ground. Just a few evenings later ...

On March 2, 2013, Corporal Carl A. Taibi Jr., Troop A, conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 29 at the 3.4-mile marker in Platte County. Cpl. Taibi suspected the front, male passenger was giving false information about his identity, so he had the subject accompany him back to his patrol vehicle. After further investigation and an interview with the male subject, Cpl. Taibi attempted to detain the subject. The subject fled on foot down the snowy embankment, jumped a fence, and ran through a storage shed area.

Several troopers and local officers responded to the scene to assist. Cpl. Taibi, a Troop A SWAT member, located footprints in the snow and gave a detailed description of the suspect. A perimeter was established by troopers assigned to Zone 4, Riverside Police Department officers, and Platte County deputies. Trooper Alex R. Vivas and Trooper Brody R. Sanson, also Troop A SWAT members, observed shoe prints in the snow and mud several hundred yards south of where the suspect had jumped over the fence.

Using their tracking training from

the Cameron Police Department, they continued following the tracks until they reached a 40-foot drop off. Remaining aware of their surroundings and personal safety, they shined their flashlights down into the ravine and saw more tracks in the snow-covered creek. That's when they knew they were hot on his trail.

I am not sure what was said, but down they both went, sliding down the rocky cliff as if they were on a "slip and slide." Once they reached the bottom and gathered themselves, they continued their quest through the mud and slick ravine for over 200 yards. Determined to catch this suspect, Tpr. Sanson and Tpr. Vivas began running along the creek, paralleling the tracks in the snow and closing the distance. They continued following the shoe prints and eventually caught up with the 21-year-old suspect, who then gave up without any resistance. Tpr. Vivas and Tpr. Sanson also assisted Kansas City Police Officer Davis and his canine Bela. Bela was able to locate a baggie of marijuana, which the suspect had buried in a snow drift.



This photo shows the embankment traversed by Tpr. Alex Vivas and Tpr. Brody Sanson while in pursuit of a suspect. (inset) This distinct footprint helped Tpr. Matt Yoder track a suspect and, subsequently, take him into custody.

### New Employees



Maurice Carter DE I Troop E



Faron S. Michaels DE I Troop B



Simon Noad Cook I Q/TND



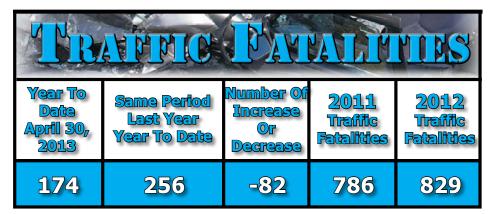
Kevin P. Schaperclaus Aircraft Maintenance Spec. Q/AD



Toni Smith Criminalist I Q/CLD



Thomas C. Tate Housekeeper I Troop C



Note: These totals do not include late deaths.

### Students Experience 'Snapshot' Of MSHP

#### By Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B

On March 23, 2013, 29 area students, representing 17 high schools, completed the 2013 Troop B Missouri State Highway Patrol Student Alliance Program. The program was conducted at the Troop B Headquarters in Macon, MO, on Saturday, March 16, 2013, and Saturday, March 23, 2013. During the two-day program, students became familiar with many duties performed by a Missouri state trooper, and participated in hands-on activities, including firing a Glock pistol, stop and approach, and crime scene investigations. Students also observed a canine demonstration. The program, which targeted junior and senior high school students, was conducted to provide an opportunity for interested individuals to learn more about law enforcement and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. It was the third Student Alliance Program conducted at Troop B. The students were very attentive, asked many good questions, and enjoyed the interaction with Patrol employees. At the conclusion of the program, each student was presented with a certificate of completion and a Missouri State Highway Patrol shirt.



These high school students completed Troop B's 2013 Student Alliance Program.

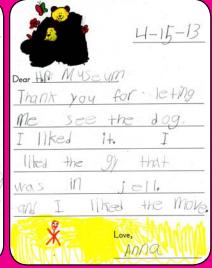
Students participating in the program were: Kye Adams, of Hallsville, MO; Robert Allee, of Shelbina, MO; Deric Basler, of Macon; Justin Bender, of Atlanta, MO; Mathew Brown, of Madison, MO; Charles Creed, of Cairo, MO; Kyle Dorrell, of Brookfield, MO; Tyler Fuller, of Clarence, MO; Kennedy Harpster, of Bevier, MO; Cody Hart, of Greentop, MO; David Heathman, of Shelbyville, MO; Riley Johnson, of Kirksville, MO; Trace Johnston, of Macon; Elyna Kohl, of Macon; Kendall

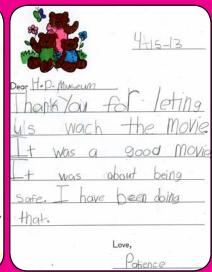
Lyon, of Armstrong, MO; Andrew Maxwell, of Macon; Josef McCloud, of Salisbury, MO; Allen Neighbors, of Unionville, MO; Austin Nelson, of Higbee, MO; Kayla Saltsgaver, of Macon; Dylan Seldal, of Moberly, MO; Austin Smith, of Bevier; Clayton Smith, of Bevier; Jacob Snyder, of Cairo, MO; Anthony Steffes, of New Cambria, MO; Chase Stockton, of Macon; Garrett Wilson, of Lancaster, MO; Brittany Winkler, of Macon; and Nicolas Wright, of Bethel. MO.

### Thank You, SEC!

On April 10, a group of 45 first graders from Cole R-V Eugene Elementary School visited the Col. Al Lubker Memorial Safety & Education Center. Enjoy a few of their thank you notes!







### 11 CVE Inspectors Graduate

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

After eight weeks of training and a lot of studying, 11 people graduated in the Sixth Commercial Vehicle Inspector School. Hosted by the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division, the brief graduation ceremony was filled with words of welcome and encouragement.

"Congratulations to each of you," said Lieutenant Kevin C. Kelley, Q/CVED. "You will perform a duty very important to the Missouri State Highway Patrol. If you look at commercial vehicle fatalities over the years, you'll see they have decreased immensely. That is due to this program. You will now embark upon a new part of training with an FTO. Pay attention as they teach you the ropes."

The inspectors arrived March 3, 2013, for their eight-week Academy, and graduated April 26. The class began with 14, but only 11 successfully completed the course. To become a commercial vehicle inspector, each had to complete successfully five federal courses, two state required courses, and several Patrol-specific courses. This class also had to battle a lot of serious weather: Several snowstorms affected return trips to the Academy.

"During the first week, they exchanged contact numbers and began to connect," said Chief CVO Jeff R. Sims. "I think the former military members of the class helped draw the group closer more quickly. I told them that even though it is a short class, they'd form friendships and bonds they will keep throughout their career. We talk about Patrol family—we are a close-knit group."

Captain Londell Jamerson, Q/CVE, assisted Colonel Ron Replogle with the presentation of certificates. Afterward, Col. Replogle addressed the group.

"I congratulate you," said Col. Replogle. "I know it's been a tough school and there was a lot of studying, a lot of technical information. I hope you leaned on one another while you were here. Thank you for choosing



The 6th Commercial Vehicle Inspector School graduates include: (l to r, first row) CVE Inspector I Tyler D. Kyle, C-4, Foristell, MO; CVE Inspector I Jeremy S. Gatewood, D-4, Joplin, MO; CVE Inspector I Vince P. Wiley, A-2, Kearney, MO; CVE Inspector I Truman D. Doolittle, H-2, Eagleville, MO; CVE Inspector I Jeremy K. Monds, G-1, Willow Springs, MO; (l to r, back row) CVE Inspector I Jared L. Whited, C-2, St. Clair, MO; CVE Inspector I Donald J. Hartmann, C-2, St. Clair, MO; CVE Inspector I Toby D. Long, C-5, Bloomsdale, MO; CVE Inspector I John F. Patterson Jr., E-2, Steele, MO; and CVE Inspector I Brandon S. Harris, D-4, Joplin, MO. (CVE Inspector I Brenda K. McIntyre, E-3, Caruthersville, MO, was not available for the photo.)

the Missouri State Highway Patrol for your career path. What you are doing is important to our mission and to keeping our roadways safe. We've reduced fatalities 40 percent in commercial vehicles over the last five years. A lot of that is the division you are now working in. I also want to thank the families for their commitment in allowing these inspectors to be here for these eight weeks. You are all part of the Patrol family."

### **New DE Station Opens**



The St. Peters Driver Examination Station opened on April 1, 2013. This new location can be found at U.S. Highway 70 and U.S. Highway 79 in St. Peters, MO. The St. Charles Driver Examination Station staff crew was divided in order to staff the new station. This location was formerly used as a MoDOT engineering building. In addition to the DE Station, there is a local zone office.

### Anniversaries

#### June

#### 35 years

Director Bill E. Marbaker III, Q/CLD

Assist. Director Tim R. Schlueter, Q/CJISD

Capt. Ron L. Walker, Q/FOB

#### 30 years

Spec. Asst. Lynn M. Stegeman, Q/PSD

#### 25 years

Sr. Chief MVI G. Paul Rehbein, Q/MVI

Spec. Asst. Becky S. Taube, Q/ICTD

#### 20 years

DE Sprv. Tonya K. Bush, Troop D

DE Sprv. Lorna Y. White, Troop C

#### 15 years

DE III Marilyn M. Clark, Troop E

DE Sprv. Karen R. Smith, Troop C

#### 10 years

Cpl. Scott A. Ballard, Troop F Tpr. Justin W. Choate, Troop D Tpr. Justin E. Henderson, Troop D

Sgt. Tim J. Hourihan, Q/GD Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II Dan A. Jansen, Q/MED

Cpl. Matt B. Koch, Troop A Tpr. Mindy M. Lambeth, Q/DDCC

Tpr. Belinda K. Long, Q/GD Cpl. Trois L. Maloney, Troop I Cpl. Tim V. Mosley, Troop F Tpr. Jeremy M. Potocki, Troop C Comm. Oper. II Teri L. Reed, Troop B

Tpr. Bryan H. Salmons, Troop F Tpr. Jim R. Sauer, Troop C Cpl. Doug E. Siegfried, Troop B Tpr. Sean P. Smeltser, Troop B Tpr. Daniel A. Spring, Troop B Tpr. Tyler D. Stewart, Troop I

#### 5 years

MVI III Steve M. Ham, Troop C MVI III Dave A. Vandermark, Troop A

#### July

#### 35 years

CVO Sprv. II Mike L. Frerer, Troop D

Lt. Steve B. Niederkorn, Troop E

#### 30 years

Admin. Office Support Asst. Jan S. Kudlack, Troop I

#### 25 years

Sgt. Mike R. Bryan, Troop D Sgt. Christopher A. Forck, Q/GD Sgt. Chris J. Harris, Troop F Capt. Malik A. Henderson, Q/MVI Crim. Sprv. Dale S. Lawrence, Q/CLD

Sgt. Matt R. Renshaw, Troop E Lt. D. Scott Sater, Troop D Sgt. Bonnie K. Talik, Q/FOB Sgt. Rob A. Vaughan, DDCC Tpr. Vernon Whitlock III, Q/GD Sgt. Warren W. Wiedemann,

Cpl. Jeff L. Wilson, Q/GD

Q/DDCC

#### 20 years

Info. Analyst II Katherine A. Kral, Q/DDCC Crim. Sprv. Kay E. Monk, Q/CLD Crim. Sprv. Robin I. Rothove

Crim. Sprv. Robin L. Rothove, Q/CLD

#### 15 years

DE II Kim D. O'Conner, Troop E Fingerprint Tech. II Gayla C. Jenkins, Q/CJISD

Comm. Oper. II Jennifer L Patton, Troop D

DE Clerk III Karen L. Taylor, Troop C

#### 10 years

Comm. Oper. II Leslie L. Cannon, Troop E

Marine Mechanic Anthony G. Luebbering, Q/MED

Traffic Safety Analyst II Loretta C. Mitchell, TFD Lab. Evid. Tech. II Teresa L.

Lab. Evid. Tech. II Teresa L Wallace, Q/CLD

#### 5 years

Tpr. Dustin L. Braynard, Q/AD Tpr. Matthew R. Cook Sr., Troop D

Tpr. Jim C. Cooksey Jr., Troop E Tpr. Timothy S. Craig, Q/DDCC

Tpr. Justin S. Dunn, Troop B Tpr. Lee C. Ewigman, Troop B CVE Insp. III Ellen L. Floyd, Troop C

CVE Insp. Sprv. I Matt R. Freeman, Troop E

CVE Insp. III Jeff L. Hamilton, Troop E

Tpr. Kyle L. Knight, Troop D Tpr. Jeffery D. Maudlin, Troop C

CVE Insp. III Jane M. McClurg, Troop H

Tpr. Matt H. Mistler, Q/GD Tpr. Kyle W. Murphy, Q/GD CVE Insp. III F. Scott Myers, Troop A

Tpr. Kimberly D. Roady, Troop C

Tpr. J. Ricky Rorie Jr., Q/GD CVE Insp. III Cal R. Sherman, Troop A

Tpr. Chase A. Stallcup, Troop D Tpr. Greg K. Tesch, Troop A Tpr. Alex R. Vivas, Troop A

Tpr. Michael T. Weakley, Troop G

Tpr. John J. West, Troop E CVE Insp. III Roger M. Westerhoff, Troop C

Tpr. Ryan A. Wood, Troop A



### **Spotlight**



## Lt. Mark A. Bielawski



Appointed: November 1, 1994.

First Assignment: Zone 2, Phelps and Maries Counties, Troop I.

Promotions/Reclassifications:
Corporal—July 1, 2001; Sergeant—May 28, 2006; Lieuten-

ant—September 1, 2011.

**Current Assignment:** Assistant Director (Administrative Services Lieutenant), Gaming Division, General Headquarters.

Family: Mark is married to his soulmate, Lisa. "We are raising two children, Derrick and Grace, and have another daughter, Alicia. We are also blessed with a grandson, Aiden. Our two dogs, Ruby and Rascal, are part of the family as well." Mark said.

Interests: Mark enjoys spending time with his family, playing drums, and riding his motorcycle with Lisa "all across the country." Mark and Lisa also teach personal and business etiquette.

Mark is a native of St. Louis, MO, and graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1985. He obtained a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Drury University. Mark served our country in the United States Marine Corps from 1986 to 1990. Throughout

his career, Mark has worked the road, been a K-9 officer, acted as a negotiator in the Troop I area, served as an accident reconstructionist and defensive tactics instructor, and been a gaming officer.

"One of the highlights of my career so far was being a K-9 officer," Mark said. "Ahso and I were partners for three years. It was a lot of work, but it was a blast." Of his current assignment, Mark says, "Working in the Gaming Division has been extremely rewarding. It's clearly the best kept secret on the Patrol."

# Fis. & Budg. Analyst III Donna F. Stovall



Appointed: September 1, 1993.

First Assignment: Data Entry Operator I, Traffic Division, General Headquarters, Jefferson City.

Promotions/Reclassifications: Account Clerk — February 1995; Fiscal & Budgetary Analyst II — July 2001; Fiscal & Budgetary Analyst III — July 2003.

Current Assignment: Fiscal & Budgetary Analyst III, Budget & Procurement Division, General Headquarters, Jefferson City.

**Family:** Donna's son, Logan, and his wife, Erin, live in Jefferson City.

Logan works for MoDOT Motor Carrier Services as an investigator. Donna's daughter, Erin Cox, and her husband, Derrick, live in Jefferson City. Erin is an assistant manager at Capital 8 Movie Theaters.

Interests: Donna is very active at Wesley United Methodist Church, where she sings in the choir, plays keyboard for the church services, and rings handbells in the handbell choir. Her daughter, Erin, also rings in the handbell choir. Donna started piano lessons when she was in the second grade, started singing in choirs in the ninth grade, and has been ringing handbells for the last 26 years. Donna enjoys dancing and has taken classes at the Capital Ritz learning ballroom line dancing, the cha-cha, and the East-Coast swing. Donna also enjoys working in her yard, taking family vacations, and reading. She is active in a Christian retreat called Missouri East Walk To Emmaus. She serves as a musician and sometimes a speaker at the women's retreat. She says the three-day, three-night event "helps Christians grow and deepen their relationship with God, and be more enthusiastic Christians." Donna has been a member of the Patrol's Blue Notes Choir for 18 of the 19 years she has worked here.

As a fiscal and budgetary analyst, Donna is one of three Patrol employees responsible for accounts payable and receivable. She said her job changed quite a bit in 1999, when the state of Missouri created the SAM II Financial system.

Donna helps ASB, BPD, CLD, GSD, ICTD, PIED, the Photo Lab, RDD, Troop C, Troop E, and Troop I with their invoices, monthly and uniform expense reports, moving allowances, and accounts receivable.



### Spotlight

#### — Stovall

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"We keep growing, and there are more and more invoices," said Donna. "When I started we filed by document number. For the last six years, we have filed by vendor name. I enter about 7,500 invoices and expense reports per fiscal year. It takes longer to file by vendor name, but it makes it easier to find the document."

"I'm so thankful to be in an agency where we are trying to make the state of Missouri a safe state to live in," she continued. "We work together as a team to pay the invoices and expense reports, so the members and civilians have the products and services needed to do their job. The Patrol means a lot to me ... integrity, honesty, and a safe place to work. I appreciate being able to work with the troops and divisions to get everything accomplished. They are all so friendly and willing to help me get the work done. It is like we have known each other for years, but we rarely see each other. I'm very proud to work here."

"I can tell the vendors respect the Patrol, and sometimes I make them nervous," she laughed. "When I call a vendor to ask about an invoice, I might introduce myself by saying, 'Hi, I'm Donna with the Missouri State Highway Patrol,' then it gets quiet on the other end, and I have their immediate attention. But, if I say I'm with accounts payable of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, they relax a little bit."

### Clerk IV Brenda K. Lock



Appointed: November 11, 2007.

First/Current Assignment: Clerk IV,
Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
Division, General Headquarters,
Jefferson City.

**Family:** Brenda has two sons, Kendric and Haydn. Kendric is a fresh-

man at Lincoln University where he studies agriculture and works at Carver Farm. Haydn is a junior at Blair Oaks High School in Wardsville, MO.

Interests: Brenda enjoys spending time with her sons and keeps very busy by following Haydn in football and basketball. In her spare time, she enjoys playing volleyball, working in her yard, spending time with friends, and watching her sons play sports.

Brenda grew up in Meta, MO, and graduated from Fatima High School in Westphalia, MO. She came from a large family, including eight sisters and three brothers. Prior to working for the Patrol, Brenda was employed at Blair Oaks High School.

"As secretary to the division, I have a variety of work," said Brenda, "which I like a lot. No two days are ever the same. In addition to talking to members of the Patrol, I also get to talk to the public. This division is always working hard to make the highways safer. I've worked with the state for 13 years and with the Patrol for five. Not knowing a lot about the Patrol when I started, it's been an educational experience."

### Polygraphists Hone Their Skills At Academy

By Sgt. Kenny J. Schulte, Q/DDCC

The Missouri State Highway Patrol Division of Drug and Crime Control, along with the Patrol's Academy and the National Center for Credibility Assessment, recently held a Senior Polygraph Examiner's Course. Polygraphists representing the Missouri State Highway Patrol; federal, state, and local agencies; several out-of-state agencies; and one polygraphist from Canada attended. The course taught techniques on scoring polygraph charts, question formulations, ethics, and pre-employment. The instructors were all former federal and state polygraphists with a wealth of knowledge and years of experience. All the students who were in attendance agreed it was a worthwhile class and they could not wait to use what they learned in conducting criminal and pre-employment polygraphs for their respective agencies.



This group of polygraphists attended training held at the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy.

### Promotions



Vern C. Dougan Captain Q/ICTD



Nate C. Ahern Lieutenant Troop A



Les D. Thurston Lieutenant Q/ICTD



Christopher M. Clair Sergeant Troop A



Eric W. Hackman Sergeant Q/DDCC



Andy A. Henry Sergeant Troop H



Scott W. Simmons Sergeant Q/DDCC



Tom B. Ziegler Sergeant Troop H



Benjamin N. Comer Corporal Troop A



Bradley E. Maudlin Corporal Troop H



Josh D. Owens Corporal Troop A



Clark D. Parrott Corporal Troop E



Justin E. Peabody Corporal Troop H



Bill J. Brester Chief Tech. Q/ICTD



Deirdre R. Nolan Comm. Oper. II Troop C

### Promotions



Becky K. Adams DE II Troop H



Brad W. Adams Asst. Garage Superintendent Q/MED



Cynthia A. Bishop Crim. Hist. Tech. II Q/CJISD



Melanie R. Branson Fingerprint Tech. II Q/CJISD



Roger D. Branson Jr. Crim. Hist. Tech. II Q/CJISD



Branden S. Coker CIT III Q/ICTD



Eric D. Cornman CVO Sprv. I Q/CVED



Joe P. Curtright CVE Inspector III Troop A



ReNee' Davis DE Sprv. Troop G



Michael E. Duke Auto. Tech. Sprv. Q/MED



Mike L. Forbis CIT Sprv. I Q/ICTD



Allison J. Fall DE II Troop A



Kellie L. Foster CIT Spec. I Q/ICTD



Rick L. Fry CVO Sprv. I Troop C



Cheryl A. Garner Quality Control Clerk II Q/TFD

### Promotions



Melissa S. Hager Clerk Typist II Troop C



Stefanie J. Joyce CVE Inspector III Troop A



Erin M. Kemna CITS II Q/ICTD



Michele J. Klebba Fingerprint Tech. II Q/CJISD



Judy L. Malmberg Cook Sprv. Q/TND



G. Bob Middleton DE III Troop F



Brad L. Nail CVO Sprv. I Troop H



Cris M. Oros CIT Spec. I Q/ICTD



Rick S. Patterson MVI III Troop D



Kelly D. Sebek DE III Troop D



Cal R. Sherman CVE Inspector III Troop A



Kyle J. Vaught Fingerprint Tech. III Q/CJISD



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# How Others See Us ...

Captain [Greg D.] Kindle,

My name is JP Martin, and I am a deputy district attorney in Colorado's 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District. I'm writing to let you know about the critical role Cpl. Matthew E. Morice [Troop F] played in our very recent prosecution of Brandon Carroll for the crimes of kidnapping and aggravated robbery, which occurred in Boulder, CO, on April 7, 2012.

On April 8, 2012 (Easter Sunday), Cpl. Morice stopped Mr. Carroll's car for speeding at mile marker 68 on eastbound Interstate 70. During this routine stop, Cpl. Morice alertly noticed several things that raised his suspicion about the driver (Mr. Carroll's brother) and Mr. Carroll. Cpl. Morice continued to investigate the situation and ultimately, after an alert from his canine, Rocky, Cpl. Morice (along with several cover officers who had arrived on scene) searched Mr. Carroll's rental car. They found a loaded handgun in the center console of the passenger compartment and several magazines, bullets, and a cylinder in the trunk. Noticing that the magazines and ammunition did not correspond with the gun in the console, Cpl. Morice continued to search the trunk and ultimately found two more handguns and a freezer bag full of marijuana hidden behind the trunk liner.

Cpl. Morice documented everything that happened during that stop, and the evidence he collected turned out to be some of the most important evidence presented to the jury during the trial. Through his efforts, we were able to provide the jury with a video recording of the stop (documenting Mr. Carroll's misrepresentations and demeanor and the condition of the rental car, which was critical) as well as photos of the three handguns, the marijuana and its packaging, and a close-up of Mr. Carroll himself (documenting his clothing).

Cpl. Morice's professional and respectful handling of Mr. Carroll and his brother during the stop was impressive. Cpl. Morice established a rapport with the Carroll brothers and as a result the men made many statements that became powerful evidence during the trial. Additionally, Cpl. Morice took the time to fly to Colorado and testify in the trial, so that this evidence could be admitted. He was professional and prepared on the stand. The jury found him eminently credible and relied heavily on his testimony and exhibits in evaluating this case.

I think it is important to note that Cpl. Morice had no knowledge of any of the events that happened only hours earlier in Colorado, but through his training and experience he knew that something more was going on. He took the time to do a legal and thorough search and more impressively, he took the time to document every detail of what he saw/heard without knowing how those things may eventually become useful as evidence.

I can tell you, without Cpl. Morice's attention to detail and professionalism, the jury would not have come back with the verdict they just returned only two hours ago: Guilty as charged on all counts.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Cpl. Morice, and I would like you to know his professionalism reflects very highly on you and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Respectfully,

JP Martin Deputy District Attorney 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Boulder, CO

**Editor's note:** When contacted about this letter, Cpl. Morice was quick to share credit with Sgt. R. Brooks McGinnis, Cpl. Greg D. Primm, and Tpr. Dennis D. Mathes, all Troop A, who assisted with the investigation. "This case was a true example of how interdiction is a team effort," said Cpl. Morice.



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

Light from the chandelier sparkled in the granite awards gracing the top of a table as people greeted old friends and made new ones at the 23rd annual Patrol Awards Ceremony & The MAS-TERS banquet. Lieutenant Colonel Sandy K. Karsten, Q/ASO, served as emcee for the evening, and welcomed everyone as they took their seats. With the consistent sound of a bagpipe drone filling the room, Chief Roger Heard, Troop H, led the Troop A Color Guard down the center aisle. Once the colors were presented, Major Tommy Roam, Q/WPD, who has an eloquent tenor voice, sang our national anthem. After Major Roam's voice faded, the matter-of-fact, quiet words of Cpl. Russ W. Shaul directed the movements of Tpr. David A. Jones, Tpr. Alex R. Vivas,

and Tpr. Cory W. Bradshaw to complete the opening ceremony. Once the Color Guard exited the stage, the audience remained standing for the invocation by Rev. Steve L. Barker, Maywood, MO, and a video roll call of the Patrol's 30 fallen heroes. Thus began an evening of recognition, appreciation, and camaraderie.

The evening's keynote speaker was Missouri's Secretary of State Jason Kander. He spoke of the importance of doing the right thing instead of the easy thing, especially when in public service. He also expressed his appreciation to Patrol members for their service. Afterward, he said he was pleased to speak to members of The MASTERS. "As we are too often reminded, first responders who put their lives on the line



Benjamin Oliver Booth Officer of the Year — Cpl. Mike A. Halford, Troop F, accepted this award from Col. Ron Replogle. Cpl. Halford's wife, Ashley, accompanied him. Throughout much of 2012, Cpl. Halford stepped in for his zone supervisor, who was on extended leave. Zone 2 continued to be one of the top producing zones in the troop during Cpl. Halford's tenure as zone supervisor. He also serves as a firearms instructor and drug recognition expert instructor. In addition, while on patrol in January 2012, Cpl. Halford identified and stopped a threat on U.S. Highway 54. When a man on the shoulder of the highway began firing his handgun at a close range, Cpl. Halford accelerated and struck the suspect. After the incident, it was confirmed the man was wanted for the murder of his grandmother. The subject was walking to Jefferson City with the intention of killing others at a local school. Cpl. Halford's quick thinking and decisive action potentially saved his own life and the lives of others.



**Lifesaving Award** — Col. Ron Replogle presented the award to Trooper Timothy W. Murrell and Corporal Christopher M. Clair, both Troop A. Cpl. Clair and Tpr. Murrell saved the lives of a boater and two passengers after they were stranded on the Pomme de Terre arm of Truman Lake near Osage Bluff. The rescue took place during extremely dangerous weather conditions. Mrs. Cynthia Murrell, Drake Murrell, Ellie Murrell, and Mrs. Penny Clair are also in the photo.

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every day can make all the difference in a time of tragedy," said Secretary Kander. "It is my honor to support this program, which provides relief to the families of those members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol who have paid the ultimate sacrifice to ensure the safety of our fellow Missourians."

Colonel Ron Replogle also spoke at the awards ceremony. "It's an honor to stand before you at The MASTERS banquet as the superintendent. Tommy—wow. Thank you." The colonel thanked the retired colonels who were



Valor Award — Col. Ron Replogle presented this award to Sgt. Shawn L. Price, Q/AD. Sgt. Price's wife, Pam, accompanied him. Sgt. Price responded to a call of an active shooter in a Jackson, MO, neighborhood. After arriving, he began to search for the subject. When the suspect fired multiple gunshots directly at Sgt. Price, the officer retreated between two houses. Sgt. Price then made sure a man and his son were safely inside the basement of their residence and then entered the master bedroom of the house and looked through a window in an attempt to locate the suspect in the tree line. Sgt. Price responded to additional gunshots and notified other officers via radio as to the suspect's location in the tree line. A short time later, other officers took the suspect into custody. The subject was treated and later charged with domestic assault, armed criminal action, and assault on a law enforcement officer. He remains in custody awaiting trial.

present that evening and remembered Colonel Howard Hoffman and Colonel Al Lubker. He then introduced a special guest. Mr. David Weisz from Motorola Solutions Inc. recreated a presentation of the IACP Trooper of the Year award to Tpr. David Crank, Troop E. Tpr. Crank was the winner in the North Central Region and finalist for the national award.

President Doug Mitchell, The MASTERS, then made several Lifetime Membership presentations before the evening awards ceremony took place.

"I was honored to be at the banquet," said Cpl. J. Shane Stewart, Troop E. "One of the things I love about the Patrol is the way past and present employees will always have a connection. I spoke with many retired

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(I to r) Col. Ron Replogle presented a Lifesaving Award to Sgt. Rick J. Sanders, a Purple Heart to Cpl. J. Shane Stewart, and a Valor Award to Tpr. David W. Crank, all Troop E, as a result of their actions at a traffic stop. Sgt. Sanders and Cpl. Stewart responded to a traffic stop made by Tpr. Crank. When a passenger began firing a small caliber handgun, Cpl. Stewart and Tpr. Crank returned fire. Tpr. Crank stopped the threat. After the scene was secure, Sgt. Sanders provided Cpl. Stewart—who had been shot and was seriously injured—lifesaving first aid. Cpl. Stewart has since returned to active duty. Cpl. Stewart's children, Jake and Madelynn Stewart, are pictured, also.

Civilian of the Year — Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. Sprv. Roy D. Barton, Troop B, accepted this award from Col. Ron Replogle. Sprv. Barton completed a number of remodeling projects for Troop B in 2012. He converted an outside building into an office for Drug and Crime Control Division officers assigned to Troop B. Sprv. Barton then painted, repaired, remodeled, and moved eight offices within Troop B Headquarters. He also set up a new conference room. Supervisor Barton completed this work while training a new building and grounds maintenance employee and maintaining his daily responsibilities. He



is knowledgeable and experienced in maintaining the Troop B shooting range and commercial driver license testing sites, and responds to maintenance requests from zone offices. He also makes himself available to assist in the garage if needed.

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Patrol employees at the banquet, and I was very impressed with the pride they still show for the Missouri State Highway Patrol. This was the first banquet I have attended, and I'm very glad I went. I'm also glad I was able to take my kids. My kids were able to see how the Patrol honors and takes care of their people."

Congratulations to all of the award recipients. Each of you is a credit to yourself and to the Missouri State Highway Patrol.



Lifesaving Award — Tpr. Chris D. Hamlett, Q/GD, accepted the award from Col. Ron Replogle. Tpr. Hamlett saved a man's life using cardio pulmonary resuscitation and a defibrillator while on duty at the Lady Luck Casino in Caruthersville, MO.

### THE MASTERS' CORNER

#### By Elaine Libla, Secretary The MASTERS

The MASTERS' annual meeting took place on Saturday, April 13, 2013, at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia, MO. During this meeting, the board welcomed two recently elected directors, retired Colonel James F. Keathley, of Marquand, MO,

and Mr. Kevin Zoellner, of Jefferson City. These two directors will represent The MASTERS in the GHQ area.

Directors elected to serve as officers for 2013-2014 were: Mrs. Lynn Wallis, of Cuba, MO,

– president; retired Captain Jack Merritt, of Republic, MO,– vice president; Mr. Wally Malins, of Marceline, MO,– treasurer; and Mr. Jack Pahlmann, of West Plains, MO,– secretary.

We recently learned that proceeds from the Patrol Annual Golf Tournament held on June 3, 2013, in Eugene, MO, will be donated to The MAS- TERS. We want to thank the coordinators of the tournament, retired Major Hugh E. McKay and Captain Ron L. Walker, Q/FOB, for their time and energy in organizing the event. Thanks to all who participated in the tournament. Your support in this manner is very much appreciated.

The MASTERS would like to extend a special thank you to those who

the St. Charles Lanes in St. Charles, MO. This fundraiser is held in honor and memory of Rosciglione family member, J.P., who died in a hit and run traffic crash in the St. Charles area in 2005, at the age of 20. Proceeds from all nine of their fundraisers have been donated to The MASTERS. This year's event put their total donation in excess of \$80,000. Thank you to the entire

Rosciglione family for your continued support through the fundraisers.

The practice of families requesting that memorial gifts be made to The MASTERS in lieu of flowers when a

ills, Mr. Jack Pahlmann, photo include: Mr. James F. TERS in lieu of flowers when a loved one passes away has provided over \$10,000 in donations during the last year. We thank those families who have directed memorials to us, and we also thank the many family members and friends that made the donations.

We encourage you to consider The

Col. Ron Replogle joined The MASTERS' board of directors in this photo. The directors include: (I to r, front row) Ret. Col. James F. Keathley, Ret. Maj. Larry C. White, Mr. Bill Ronecker, Mrs. Lynn Wallis, Mrs. Elging Libla, Mr. Doug Mitchell, Mr. Ed Braschlar and Ret. Sat. Bill Hollingsworth; (I to r, back row) Ret.

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committed to making a contribution through the 2013 Missouri State Employee Charitable Campaign. Thanks to the generosity of state employees, The MASTERS will receive in excess of \$10,500 this year through this program.

The Rosciglione family of St. Charles held their ninth annual bowling fundraiser on March 2, 2013, at

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MASTERS in the event of a loss and give a memorial gift that will touch the lives of Patrol families.

Following the meeting, The MAS-TERS members, Patrol members, and many guests enjoyed the annual Patrol Awards Ceremony and The MASTERS banquet. We were honored to have Secretary of State Jason Kander as the guest speaker. The MASTERS Public Service Award was proudly presented to Trooper Gregory K. Tesch, Troop A, for his significant commitment to community service.

In addition, The MASTERS
Lifetime Membership awards were
presented to: retired Corporal and
Mrs. Tim L. Clarke, Moberly, MO, Mr.
Kevin Derksen and Ms. Janet Kolb, of
Weldon Spring, MO, and Mr. Bill Stuart, of Moberly. Although not in attendance, Mrs. Ernestine Summerford, of
Crocker, MO, and Mr. and Mrs. Zsolt
Rumy, of St. Louis, were also recognized as a new lifetime members.

Retired Colonel Paul V. Volkmer served on The MASTERS board from 1999 until his resignation in October 2012. Following his resignation, he was unanimously elected to emeritus status on the board. Lt. Colonel Volkmer is the first director in the history of The MASTERS to be elected to this honorary position. President Doug Mitchell presented retired Lt. Col. Volkmer with an Emeritus award at the directors' meeting. Both retired Lt. Col. and Mrs. Betty Volkmer were recognized at the banquet for their outstanding service to The MASTERS.

This year, The MASTERS is providing a scholarship to one college student whose father was killed in the line of duty. In the near future, there will be nine additional children eligible for The MASTERS scholarship. With the rising cost of tuition and the decreasing interest rates on our investments, we established a special educational fund in 2012, to meet these future needs. Although not in attendance at the banquet, Mr. Chuck Drury, of Drury Hotels in St. Louis, was recognized for the major donation he made as seed money for this fund. We are

very pleased to report that due to the generosity of Mr. Drury, along with that of many other The MASTERS members, over \$40,000 is currently earmarked for educational purposes.

The MASTERS current membership has grown to 1,338 members from across Missouri and neighboring states. It is because of these generous members and friends that The MAS-TERS is able to continue their mission of assisting those Patrol families that have given so much. We thank you for your continued support. If you have a family member, co-worker, or friend that you would like to invite to join with us, please contact The MAS-TERS office at 573-686-1619 or email office@themastersmo.org and we will gladly provide an application for that person(s).



Ret. Lt. Col. Paul V. and Mrs. Betty A. Volkmer are seen in this photo. Ret. Lt. Col. Volkmer holds a gift from The MASTERS recognizing him as the group's first director emeritus.

# BIRTHANNOUNCEMENTS

Katherine Paige

Cpl. Jason L. & Mrs. Angela J.

Decker Troop C

Blair Addison

Tpr. Jeremy R. & Mrs. Erin C.

McCurdy Troop C

William Allen

Tpr. Zachary A. & Mrs. Samantha

J. Czerniewski Troop F

Zaiden Kane

Tpr. Adam J. & Mrs. Natasha M.

Webb Troop H

Aiden Whitney

Tpr. Aaron K. & Mrs. Whitney V.

Griffin

Troop H

Owen Lee

Sgt. Justin & Mrs. Stacy L.

McCullough

Troop I

Colton Joshua

Tpr. Joshua R. & Mrs. Tasha L.

Zach

Troop H

Jayden Scott

Tpr. J<mark>eff S.</mark> & Mrs. J<mark>essica D.</mark>

Cunningham

Troop I

Ameli<mark>a Marjori</mark>e

Cpl. Sam V. & Mrs. Heather N.

Buchheit

Troop C

Holly Dee

Tpr. Steven J. & Mrs. Shana D.

Washabaugh

Troop F

### '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 February 24, 2013 to April 25, 2013. The list shows members with their rank/assignment during that time period. (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. T.A. Baxter, 1 arrest Tpr. D.C. Belardo, 1 arrest Sgt. A.J. Bell, 2 arrests Sgt. W.P. Bremer, 1 arrest Tpr. A.S. Craig, 1 arrest Tpr. L.R. Dancy, 1 arrest Tpr. J.E. Givens Sr., 2 arrests Tpr. A.J. Gray, 1 arrest Tpr. B.J. Hamerle, 5 arrests Tpr. M.J. Hanrahan, 1 arrest Tpr. G.J. Jenner, 2 arrests Tpr. D.L. Johnson, 1 arrest Tpr. D.C. Kissinger, 1 arrest Tpr. C.S. Kutzner, 1 arrest Tpr. D.D. Mathes, 2 arrests Sgt. R.B. McGinnis, 5 arrests Tpr. T.W. Murrell, 1 arrest Cpl. J.D. Owens, 4 arrests Cpl. G.D. Primm, 7 arrests Cpl. S.M. Salfrank, 1 arrest Tpr. B.R. Sanson, 1 arrest Tpr. S.R. Schapp, 2 arrests Tpr. K.A. Schmutzler, 2 arrests Cpl. C.A. Taibi Jr., 2 arrests Cpl. C.E. Utterback, 1 arrest Tpr. A.R. Vivas, 2 arrests Tpr. N.D. Wallace, 3 arrests Tpr. M.J. Yoder, 3 arrests

#### Troop B

Cpl. E.F. Brown, 2 arrests
Cpl. K.E. Easley, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.C. Ewigman, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.L. Gipson, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.J. Glover, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.B. Grubaugh, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.K. Hendershott, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.P. Johnson, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.F. Porter, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.J. Walker, 1 arrest

#### Troop C

Tpr. Z.D. Bauer, 1 arrest Tpr. B.M. Beard, 1 arrest Cpl. S.V. Buchheit, 1 arrest Sgt. J.R. Campbell, 4 arrests Cpl. J.D. Cox, 1 arrest Cpl. T.S. Croft, 2 arrests Cpl. C.T. Davies, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.R. Davis, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. Diffee, 5 arrests
Tpr. A.S. Huskey, 2 arrests
Cpl. T.R. Jenkins, 1 arrest
Cpl. E.R. Kessler, 2 arrests
Tpr. L.B. Lairmore, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.D. Lindgren, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.C. Long, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. McCurdy, 2 arrests
Cpl. W.B. Sevier, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.R. Thompson, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Williams, 1 arrest
Cpl. T.M. Williams, 1 arrest

#### Troop D

Tpr. E.B. Adams, 1 arrest Sgt. G.L. Braden, 2 arrests Tpr. B.L. Butler, 1 arrest Tpr. J.W. Choate, 1 arrest Tpr. C.D. Fieser, 2 arrests Cpl. B.D. Helms, 1 arrest Cpl. G.H. Hendrix, 1 arrest Tpr. W.S. Lashmet, 1 arrest Tpr. W.S. Lashmet, 1 arrest Sgt. M.T. Polodna, 3 arrests Tpr. L.E. Rawson, 2 arrests Tpr. D.W. Riley, 1 arrest Tpr. C.A. Stallcup, 1 arrest Tpr. T.J. Stevens, 1 arrest Tpr. R.A. Stewart, 1 arrest

#### Troop E

Tpr. C.B. Christian, 1 arrest Tpr. D.L. DeJournett, 1 arrest Cpl. R.C. Dye, 1 arrest Tpr. R.W. Eakins, 1 arrest Tpr. T.E. Erpenbach, 1 arrest Tpr. C.D. Hamlett, 3 arrests Tpr. A.N. Miller, 1 arrest Cpl. R.D. Owens, 1 arrest Tpr. C.L. Purnell, 1 arrest Tpr. E.M. Reynolds, 2 arrests Sgt. R.J. Sanders, 1 arrest Tpr. S.M. Spain, 2 arrests Cpl. J.S. Stewart, 1 arrest Tpr. S.K. Talburt, 2 arrests Tpr. J.J. West, 4 arrests Cpl. G.N. Williams, 1 arrest Tpr. J.T. Wilson, 3 arrests

#### Troop F

Tpr. S.D. Bledsoe, 1 arrest Tpr. N.J. Borgmeyer, 2 arrests Tpr. S.A. Brazas, 1 arrest Cpl. M.G. Broniec, 1 arrest Tpr. Q.L. Dinovi, 4 arrests Tpr. T.C. Fick, 2 arrests Tpr. D.L. Fouch, 8 arrests Tpr. B.R. Germann, 3 arrests Tpr. B.J. Graf, 2 arrests Cpl. M.A. Halford, 4 arrests Tpr. M.T. Halford, 2 arrests Tpr. D.R. Haslag, 2 arrests Sgt. A.A. Henry, 2 arrests Tpr. G.T. Johnson, 1 arrest Cpl. S.B. Johnson, 2 arrests Sgt. C.R. Kicker, 1 arrest Tpr. A.B. Kings, 3 arrests Tpr. B.C. Lawler, 2 arrests Tpr. R.M. Malone III, 1 arrest Cpl. B.A. McLaughlin, 1 arrest Tpr. T.O. Mitchell, 1 arrest Cpl. M.E. Morice, 4 arrests Tpr. A.C. Piercy, 1 arrest Cpl. G.D. Primm, 4 arrests Tpr. N.R. Schaffer, 4 arrests Tpr. K.A. Schrage, 1 arrest Tpr. K.A. Seabaugh, 1 arrest Cpl. J.M. Sellers, 1 arrest Tpr. D.K. Sullivan, 3 arrests Cpl. R.S. Thompson, 2 arrests Cpl. T.R. Walley, 3 arrests Tpr. C.B. Wilt, 1 arrest Tpr. C.A. Winter, 1 arrest

#### Troop G

Tpr. C.P. Chatman, 1 arrest Cpl. L.S. Elliott, 1 arrest Cpl. S.N. Foster, 2 arrests Tpr. J.V. Garrison, 1 arrest Tpr. R.M. Greenan, 3 arrests Tpr. J.M. Heimsoth, 1 arrest Tpr. D.J. Johnson, 2 arrests Tpr. J.C. Kuessner, 5 arrests Tpr. G.J. Loring, 2 arrests Cpl. D.B. Pounds, 2 arrests Tpr. E.M. VanWinkle, 3 arrests Tpr. P.R. Wells, 1 arrest

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#### Troop H

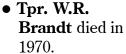
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#### Troop I

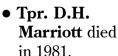
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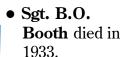
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# Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

#### 45 years ago

May 1968—The Motor Equipment Division graced the centerfold of this issue. According to the story, the Patrol had about 620 automobiles in operation. Half of the fleet included Buicks, Chryslers, Oldsmobiles, Mercurys, and Pontiacs, which were used on interstates and rural highways. The rest of the fleet—Fords, Chevrolets, and Plymouths—were assigned to troopers working more remote roadways.

#### 40 years ago

June 1973—It was reported that the Missouri State Highway Patrol Museum was a success! In the first two months since opening its doors, the museum welcomed 3,500 visitors from nine states, as well as England and Greece. At this time, the museum was located on the second floor of the Waggoner Building.

#### 35 years ago

May 1978—This issue included a brief history of the Missouri Driver License. A story from Troop C told how Trooper James L. Carter made a traffic stop to discover the driver dressed in attire from the Colonial period. While conducting a breathalyzer, the man masquerading as George Washington said, "It's probably the first time you've ever arrested George Washington." Tpr. Carter replied, "Yes, and it's probably the first time George Washington was arrested by Jimmy Carter."

#### 30 years ago

*June 1983*—Trooper Thomas E. Simmons' crashed patrol car was on the cover of this issue. He survived a near head-on collision while on patrol in Christian County.

#### 25 years ago

May 1988—House Bill 990 containing specific requirements for the operation of an all-terrain vehicle passed the Missouri Legislature. Mr. Delbert Dunmire, a Grandview, MO, businessman, purchased 300 rifles for the Patrol. In addition, he donated \$50,000 kick off fundraising for a law enforcement memorial to be built on the Capitol grounds.

#### 15 years ago

June 1998—Story topics included the 98-car crash in St. Charles County, the execution of Glennon Paul Sweet for the murder of Trooper Russell Harper, and a barge striking the President Riverboat Casino.

#### 5 years ago

*May/June 2008*—Driver examiners attended a motorcycle certification course. Sergeant Gary L. Braden made a traffic stop that resulted in the seizure of approximately 35.1 pounds of cocaine.

### Helo Team Completes First Short Haul Rescue

#### By Aircraft Division

On April 18, 2013, the Highway Patrol Aircraft Division successfully completed its first 'real life' helicopter short haul rescue in Texas County. The initial call included information from Troop G Headquarters that there were two individuals, one of whom was a paraplegic, on a hunting trip. They had become separated and were trapped by rapidly rising flood waters. Patrol members Corporal Scott L. Nelson and Trooper Marty L. Wiseman, both Troop G, along with local fire departments and the Texas County Ambulance service responded to the scene.

Below is a description of the rescue from the helicopter crew's point of view, courtesy of Sgt. Jeff G. Noack, Q/AD.

The helicopter crew, consisting of one pilot (Sergeant Mike D. Hargus, Q/AD) and two rescuers (Sgt. Noack, Q/AD, and Corporal David C. Dinges, Q/AD) responded in the Patrol's Bell 407 from Jefferson City. Upon locating the scene, the helo made a landing nearby. Once on the ground, the crew communicated with first responders on the scene. The crew learned the victim, estimated to have been in the water for at least hour, was hypothermic. Because the air temperature was in the mid-40s, it became clear the victim needed to be removed from the water and treated as soon as possible.

The crew prepared the helicopter for the rescue by safety testing and attaching equipment, removing the doors, testing communication equipment, and checking rescue harnesses. When the signal was received, Sgt. Hargus lifted the rescuers and began flying a short distance to the flooded area. Two persons were located in the middle of the flooded field next to the Big Piney River. Cpl. Nelson, one of the officers on the scene, had made his way to one of the victims, and was standing in the water up to his knees while the victim was seated in a kayak. Sgt. Hargus maneuvered the helicopter and placed the rescuers carefully on the ground, but in the water, near the kayak.

Because there was a need to assess the victim and attach the rescue vest, the rescuers disconnected from the line and the helicopter left the area. Cpl. Dinges, assisted by Sgt. Noack and Cpl. Nelson, secured the rescue vest and sig-



This photo shows the Patrol's helicopter 93MP performing a short haul line rescue in Texas County.

naled the helicopter to return.

Once the line was attached to both the victim's rescue vest and Cpl. Dinges, the helicopter carefully pulled both straight up out of the water. When clear of obstructions, Sgt. Hargus then flew a short distance and placed the rescuer and the victim on the ground adjacent to a waiting ambulance. Sgt. Hargus returned to the flooded area and located the second victim, stranded on a section of dry ground approximately 300 yards from the first rescue. Cpl. Dinges placed him in a rescue vest. He was then lifted to the area near the ambulance. The helo then returned for Sgt. Noack.

Cpl. Nelson's compassion and skill at keeping the victim warm, awake, and engaged while waiting for the helicopter crew was invaluable.

Below is a description of the rescue written by Cpl. Nelson:

On April 18 at 2:59 p.m., I received information from Troop G Radio regarding two turkey hunters trapped by floodwater on the Big Piney River near the Boiling Springs access in Texas County. I responded to the scene and observed a pickup truck trapped on an island of land surrounded by flood waters from torrential rains earlier in the day. A male subject was walking near the truck. We had difficulty communicating, due to the distance, but I heard him say his hunting partner was a paraplegic and was trapped in the rapidly rising floodwater in a large field downstream. The temperature was in the mid-40s, and the water temperature was approximately 60 degrees.

First responders located the missing hunter sitting in water up to his waist approximately 300 yards across a flooded field. He appeared to be conscious and alert.

Troop G asked for Aircraft 93MP to respond for a short haul rescue. Sgt. Hargus advised the aircraft could be on location in approximately 40 minutes.

I learned there was a kayak in storage near where we were located, and asked the owner to retrieve it. Based on the victim's long exposure to cold water and air temperatures, I felt he was likely suffering from hypothermia. The water was rising rapidly, and I was not certain he would survive if left unattended until the aircraft arrived. I decided to utilize the kayak to paddle to his location to provide first aid.

As I paddled across the flooded field, I tested the water depth several times and determined it was too deep to wade out towing the hunter. When I arrived at his location, I saw he was wearing cotton clothing that was completely saturated. He was seated on the ground in water up to his waist. His face and hands were completely blue and he was no longer shivering. I introduced myself and told him I was there to help him. He thanked me and gave me his name. He had great difficulty talking and his thought process was very slow. He had lost the ability to use his hands. He appeared to be suffering from moderate

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hypothermia. I was able to remove his wet clothing and gave him my fleece jacket and stocking cap. I placed him inside the kayak and covered him with a blanket I had brought from my patrol car. His color rapidly improved and he began speaking more clearly.

As we waited for the helicopter I kept him talking. I was afraid he might lose consciousness, and now that rescue appeared close, I wanted him to stay awake. We talked about growing up in the St. Louis area and the fact that I was a North County native and he was from South County. We spoke of his son and the prospect of him meeting his future grandchildren. His spirits seemed to improve as we talked about his family and friends. The water continued to

rise and he asked me several times if I was okay. He had been immersed in the cold water for over 90 minutes and was asking if I was okay standing in it for 30 minutes? His concern for me was unexpected, to say the least!

By the time the helicopter arrived, the water had risen another foot. It occurred to me that if I had not been able to come to his aid, he would have been sitting in water up to his chest by now with no higher ground to retreat to. If he had lost consciousness in chest deep water even for a moment, the results would have been fatal.

Aircraft 93MP and crew arrived and conducted a successful short haul rescue of both hunters at 5:14 p.m. The man I assisted was transported by Air Evac Air Ambulance service to a hospital for treatment of hypothermia.

The next day I learned the two

men had been turkey hunting when the floodwater reached the field. When the one man's powered wheelchair became stuck in the mud repeatedly, his fellow hunter carried him to dry ground. The second man then climbed a hill to find a cell phone signal. It was at that time the water rose several feet, thus separating the two men. Even after being removed from the water and been treated for hypothermia for about 90 minutes, the hunter's body temperature was only 93 degrees when he arrived at the hospital in St. Louis.

A lot of things had to come together for this rescue to be successful: A cell phone signal, first responders locating the hunter, a kayak, the hunter's determination to maintain hope in the face of very daunting odds, and a Patrol helicopter with short haul rescue capabilities and a well trained pilot and crew.

### What's A Short Haul Rescue?

#### By Aircraft Division

Helicopter short haul rescue moves a person from place to place—and does so quickly. In the case of a Patrol helicopter short haul rescue, a rescuer is lowered on a 100-foot static line from a hovering helicopter to a victim on the ground. The victim is evaluated, medical attention rendered if necessary, and a rescue vest is secured on them. Once the victim and rescuer are secured to the line, the rescuer communicates with the pilot, who carefully and cautiously lifts both the rescuer and the victim to a safe location. Because of the inherent risks involved, these types of rescues are used only in emergency situations where conventional methods of rescue are not possible. Examples include flood water victims or situations where there is no vehicular accessibility for EMS services. Helicopter short haul rescue is a capability available to very few police agencies.

In April 2012, the Aircraft Division began extensive training with Air Rescue Systems (ARS) in the Bell 407 helicopter to become certified for short haul rescue operations. Initially, pilots trained by flying a 150-pound weight at

the end of a 100-foot line while learning the skills needed to manage the weight and prevent 'swing.' During the next two months, pilots continued to sharpen their skills using the 150-pound weight; eventually learning how to lift, steady, insert, and extract the weight with strict control.

In June 2012, after a successful check ride with FAA-certified ARS instructors, pilots were allowed to put rescuers (troopers) 'on the line' for the first time. These rescuers also trained with ARS and learned how to use the equipment and the visual and audio signals needed to safely short haul victims. After many weeks of high intensity instruction/training with ARS personnel, the Aircraft Division was certified for helicopter short haul missions. This certification was a significant event. It was the first time in the Patrol's history that such an invaluable rescue tool was available to the citizens of Missouri and other law enforcement agencies.

Short haul rescue requires very precise flying skills, excellent communication and coordination, and a stable, high performance helicopter. In order to stay safe, proficient, and ready for a rescue, Aircraft Division personnel



Initially, troopers trained for a helicopter short haul rescue using a 150-pound weight.

use "scenario based" recurrent training techniques and practice at least once a month. The scenarios are carefully designed with the goal of 'challenging' the team with difficult terrain, urgent medical issues, or combative victims. The teams alternate and do not share the scenario details with one another in order to maintain an element of surprise, similar to a real-life rescue. This scenario-based training forces the helicopter flight crew, Patrol rescuers, and "victims" (also rescuers but acting as victims) to evaluate a scene, formulate a plan, and complete the rescue as a highly coordinated team. After each training mission, a debrief session follows to discuss any safety or equipment issues. Corrections are made if required.

### Retirement

# Lt. James P. Ripley



Lieutenant James P. Ripley, Q/GD, retired from the Patrol on April 1, 2013, completing a career of over 36 years of law enforcement. Jim was born in Warrensburg, MO, and was raised in LaMonte, MO, where he graduated from LaMonte High School. He earned an associate's of arts degree from State Fair Community College in 1974; and a bachelor's of science in criminal justice administration from what is now the University of Central Missouri in 1976. After completing his master's degree in criminal justice administration from the now University of Central Missouri in 1977, Jim began his law enforcement career with the Iowa Department of Public Safety Division of Criminal Investigation Bureau of Narcotics and was stationed in Des Moines, IA, from 1977-1978. Jim then returned to Missouri and became a detective with the Platte County Sheriff's Department where he remained until he started the Patrol Academy on April 1, 1980. Jim was a member of the 52nd Recruit Class, graduating on August 29, 1980.

Jim's first assignment was in Holt and Atchison counties in Troop H. During the "first five minutes" of his first shift, Jim received a call of a truck off the road. When he arrived, he realized the driver was not only deceased, but decapitated.

"I remember on my first day of work on my own I had two counties to myself due to a Patrol funeral," said Jim. "I stopped the wrestler 'Handsome' Harley Race, who by the way, was driving while revoked."

Jim transferred to Platte County in Troop A in July 1983, then to Cass County on June 1, 1984. It was then when Jim met his wife, Mary, as he met with Trooper Alan Tatum, in Westport, about transferring to Cass County.

"It was the strangest thing, because my brother had called me in the middle of the night and told me God told him to call me and tell me to transfer to Harrisonville, MO. So, I made a couple of phones calls in the middle of the night, and by noon the next day, I was transferred on paper to Harrisonville effective June 1."

"I remember on February 1, 1989, we were looking for a bank robbery suspect, and I had found a vehicle matching the description of the suspect. I stopped him and had him inside my car, but he wouldn't shut the door," said Jim. "Well, there wasn't any backup, but I eventually fought with the guy as he tried to get back into his car. I had to let him out of my grip, because no one knew where I was or that I even had the guy stopped. His wife was in the car screaming, and he was struggling to get in, so I pushed him into the car and shot his driver side rear tire with my pistol. I told Troop A we exchanged shots, because I believed it was going to lead to a shootout, and I wanted responding officers to think that, so they were ready. I began pursuing him, and we eventually got onto the outer road. Our cars were facing each other after he lost control of his vehicle. I grabbed my pistol grip shotgun, and when I went to fire it didn't go off because the safety was still on. He started shooting and all I could think about was, 'Am I going to die? Am I going to see my wife again?' He shot out my windows and my rearview mirror. My face was covered in glass."

"I could see his vehicle going by me and realized it was my patrol vehicle that was moving by him. My car was going down an embankment as I was in the passenger seat, on my knees. I shot out my rear deck brake light from inside my vehicle. Then, I thought, 'Oh man, I'm going to be in trouble for that.' I got out of my patrol vehicle, emptied my shotgun, and threw it on the ground. Then, I grabbed my service weapon. I didn't realize it, but Trooper (now Sergeant) Jim Wingo had just shown up and shot the guy. We found later, that the suspect was not the bank robber we were looking for, but he had a parole violation warrant for kidnapping from Maryland, and was awaiting a 28-year sentence."

"The funny thing was, on the news it was lead story, and they interviewed then-Lieutenant Fred Mills\*. My wife was watching and she said 'Oh he's a good looking guy.' I was thinking, 'Man, he just stole all my thunder.'" Jim was awarded the Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriff's Association Gold Award for Valor as a result of this incident.

On June 1, 1990, Jim was promoted to corporal in Jackson County and later was assigned to the first Support Enforcement Interdiction Zone (SIEZ) in 1992. While part of SIEZ, Jim was awarded the Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriff's Association Certificate of Commendation and a United States Marshal Fugitive Apprehension Award. On January 1, 1993, Jim was promoted to sergeant in Lafayette County, where he was recognized by the Mothers Against Drunk Driving organization for being the sergeant with the most DWI arrests in the state.

In 1995, Jim transferred to the Division of Drug and Crime Control's Criminal Investigation Unit, and worked out of Troop A. While in DDCC, Jim investigated or assisted in the investigation of 20 officer-involved shootings and approximately 100 homicides. In 1999, Jim was the recipient

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of the DDCC Officer of the Year and the Missouri State Highway Patrol Officer of the Year awards.

On August 1, 2001, Jim was promoted to lieutenant and assigned to Troop A Headquarters. He participated in numerous special assignments throughout his career, including the following:

1981 — Missouri State Fair

1986 — Missouri State Fair

1992 — U.S. Marshal's Service (Operation Gunsmoke)

1992 — Assigned to start first fulltime interdiction team in the state with then-Trooper Juan O. Villanueva

1994 — Assigned to KCPD Violent Crimes Task Force

1998, 2000, and 2002 — DDCC Homicide Seminar

2000-2001 — Assigned to Project Felon Task Force at ATF 2001-2011 — Detail Commander

Missouri State Fair. 1985, 2005, 2009 — Governor's Inau-

1985, 2005, 2009 — Governor's Inaugurations

2007 — Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command

When asked to describe his memories on the Patrol, Lieutenant Ripley provided the following list:

"Everything. Every day. First day was memorable, and it just continued that way for 32 years. First day on the road. First day on the road by myself. Every day on the road. Warnings that started out as tickets, DWIs, felony arrests, stolen cars, fugitive apprehension detail, last day on the road. Troop A, Cass County burglary arrests, Cass County bank robber arrest, Cass County shootout, inaugurations, interdiction, writing reports, complete stop, metro squads, DDCC, homicide seminars (New Jersey and Kansas City), last day in DDCC, troop lieutenant, and the top 10 DWI plaque. The KOD stories, memorial wall, Missouri State Fair, today's interdiction, auto theft officer, officers I've worked with, civilian

employees, long-sleeve shirts ..."

Jim was instrumental in creating an "Ultimate Sacrifice Wall" at Troop A and collecting historical information by authoring numerous biographies for our heroes who have been killed in the line of duty. Jim said his motivation to start the project was due to the lack of documented historical information on our officers who have been killed in the line of duty. He conducted numerous interviews with family members throughout the country and included their personal recollections. One of the most memorable was when he contacted Sergeant Ben Booth's daughter, Owanna Booth Allen, who was seven when her father was killed. Jim said, "Here it was almost 70 years after her father's death, and during the entire conversation, she still called him 'Daddy' ... every reference."

Another memorable interview Jim conducted was with Ray Cushman, who served under Sergeant Ben Booth and worked in Boone County the day Sgt. Booth was killed. At the time of the interview, Mr. Cushman, 96, was still working in Colorado, and a wealth of information. Mr. Cushman said they initially thought Pretty Boy Floyd was involved in the Booth shooting and the Patrol sent Cushman to Arkansas undercover in an effort to gather intelligence. Mr. Cushman died in October 2005 and Jim attended the funeral in Colorado.

Jim has been married for over 26 years to Mary (Kearney) Ripley. They have two daughters, Lindsay, 22, and Claire, 18. Jim is an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan and enjoys time with his family.

All of us at Troop A and throughout the Missouri State Highway Patrol wish Jim a long, happy, and healthy retirement.

(\* retired Col. Fred M. Mills)

# AFIS Entry Oper. III Sharon K. Rains



AFIS Entry Operator III Sharon K. Rains retired from the Criminal Justice Information Services Division of the Missouri State Highway Patrol on April 1, 2013, after eight years of service. Sharon started her career with the Patrol on April 3, 2005.

Prior to the Patrol, Sharon was employed at the Office of Administration in the basement of the Capitol beginning on August 1, 1977. After the construction of the Truman Building, the Office of Administration was the first department to move into the new building, and Sharon was again working in the basement. The Truman Building was still under construction at that time, and the parking lot was gravel for almost another six months. Sharon also worked at the Department of Health and at the Department of Natural Resources.

Sharon was born and raised in Jefferson City. She attended Jefferson City High School where she graduated in 1975. Sharon and Joe Bradley Rains were married on September 2, 1978. Sharon and her husband, Brad (Catfish), have two children: Amanda Rains (and boyfriend, Erik Buschmann); and Justin Rains (and his wife, Laci). Their grandchildren

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include Jacquelyn Buschmann, who is also the granddaughter of retired Major Dale Buschmann, and Lexi and Levi Rains. They all live in the Jefferson City and Brazito, MO, area. Brad is employed by Emery Sapp and Sons Construction Company of Columbia, MO. He has worked in the heavy construction business for over 40 years.

Sharon states that they will have to wait for Brad to retire before they can start their adventure to follow the Oregon Trail by RV. But, they will try for their third cruise in the tropics as soon as possible! Otherwise, Sharon says they will be on the banks of the Osage River watching the water go by.

Thank you for your dedicated years of service, Sharon. We wish you a long, happy retirement!

Food Service Mgr. Betty R. Burnett



The Law Enforcement Training Academy of the Missouri State Highway Patrol announces the retirement of Food Service Manager Betty R. Burnett on March 1, 2013. Betty started her career with the Patrol in 1983 as a Cook I. She was promoted to Cook II in 1985, and Cook III in 1986. Betty was promoted to cook supervisor in

2002, before being promoted to food service manager on December 14, 2003.

There can only be a few members remaining on the Patrol who were not a benefactor to the smiling face and kind words of Betty as a recruit. We have all been treated to her great desserts and snacks over the many years. The many banquets that she and her staff have completed are remarkable.

Betty has received many awards during her great career, but one that stands out the most was when she was named DPS Employee of the Month for October 2010. This award recognized her efforts in saving leftover items from the hot food section to be donated to a local charity to feed needy citizens.

Betty and husband Fred, have three children: Jim (and his wife, Ashley), Melissa (and her fiancé, Aaron Shannon), and Katie (and her husband, Garrett Cole). They also have four grandchildren: Austin, Ethin, Nolan, and Layla.

Betty looks forward to quilting and taking care of those grandchildren while in retirement.

We will miss seeing her daily, but most importantly we will miss her cinnamon rolls. Congratulations, Betty, we wish you a wonderful retirement!

# Congratulations On Your Detirement!



Paula L. Amos
CIT Sprv. I
Q/ICTD

Retired April 1, 2013. 30 years, eight months of dedicated service.

Steve D. Arthur
Marine Mechanic
O/MED

Retired April 1, 2013. 13 years, eight months of dedicated service.



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Doug W. Melton
Corporal
Troop A

Retired April 1, 2013. 16 years of dedicated service.



Mark D. Riddle
Auto. Tech. III
Troop D

Retired April 1, 2013. 34 years, 10 months of dedicated service.

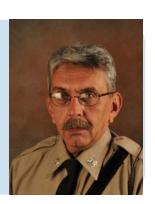


Retired May 1, 2013. 11 years of dedicated service.



James P. Eberhardt CVO II Troop A

Retired May 1, 2013 10 years of dedicated service.



Kim E. Hull
Captain
Q/ICTD

Retired May 1, 2013. 34 years of dedicated service.





Robert E. Searcy
Captain
Troop I

Retired May 1, 2013. 25 years of dedicated service.

## DPS Honors Berry, Easley



(l to r) Pictured are Col. Ron Replogle, Sgt. Nick Berry, Troop B, DPS Director Jerry Lee, and Cpl. Kyle Easley, Troop B, after the April 2013 DPS Employee of the Month presentation.

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

On April 16, 2013, friends and coworkers joined DPS Director Jerry Lee, Colonel Ron Replogle, and several DPS department heads to congratulate Sergeant Nick D. Berry and Corporal Kyle E. Easley, both Troop B. The two officers accepted the April 2013 DPS Employee of the Month awards at a ceremony in the second floor conference room at General Headquarters.

The recognition comes as a result of Sgt. Berry and Cpl. Easley responding to a fire at the Cairo Senior Apartments. The fire occurred on February 1, 2013, a little past midnight.

"I heard radio traffic from Moberly Communication Center about a fire," said Cpl. Easley. "I was close, so I thought I might be of assistance. Sgt. Berry and I arrived at the same time."

The call for assistance came across at 12:37 a.m., and the troopers arrived at 12:40 a.m. They immediately began notifying residents and guiding them out of their burning apartments into the frigid two-degree weather.

Cpl. Easley located an elderly female standing in the doorway of her apartment. She appeared scared and confused, and didn't move to safety. Cpl. Easley, aware that the soffit near her doorway was beginning to burn, prevented her from returning inside and escorted her away from the fire.

Meanwhile, Sgt. Berry knocked on another door. Receiving no response,

he kicked open the door and entered the apartment, which was filled with heavy smoke. He found an elderly man still in bed. After wrapping him in blankets, Sgt. Berry located his house slippers and helped him out of the building.

The officers continued to help residents out of the burning building until all the apartments had been checked. Cpl. Easley notified residents in a second building and then joined Sgt. Berry in moving vehicles from the parking

lot. Several residents had grabbed their purse or keys as they exited the burning apartment complex.

"We were moving the vehicles out of the way of the firefighters and first responders as much as saving the vehicles," explained Sgt. Berry.

During the award presentation, Col. Replogle recognized their actions the night of the fire. He commended them for the leadership they show that night, in their zone, and for the entire Patrol. "They represent the Patrol's core values every single day," he said.

DPS Director Lee also congratulated the officers. He then said, "I think the Patrol does an outstanding job. I don't think the people really understand what the troopers and civilians do. On behalf of DPS, the governor, and all the citizens of Missouri, I thank you."

"Cpl. Easley and Sgt. Berry work hard every day," said Captain Jimmy E. Wilt, Troop B. "Public service is foremost to what they do—arresting drunks, responding to calls for service. They overheard traffic and responded. I congratulate them for a job well done, which is what they do every day."

"We were lucky to be in the right place at the right time," said Sgt. Berry. "Any of us would have done the same."

Congratulations, Cpl. Easley and Sgt. Berry!

#### Sgt. Berry, Cpl. Easley Honored For Heroism

By Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B

On Monday, April 8, 2013, Sergeant Nick D. Berry and Corporal Kyle E. Easley accepted certificates of appreciation for their heroic acts during the fire that substantially damaged the Cairo Senior Citizen Housing Complex in Cairo, MO, on February 1, 2013. State Director Janie Dunning and Representative Dan Neimeyer, both from the USDA Rural Development, made

the presentations at the Troop B Headquarters in Macon, MO. USDA Rural Development is an organization that provides financial support to senior citizen centers.



(l to r) Four members of the Cairo Senior Citizen Center Board join (center to left) Cpl. Kyle Easley, Troop B, USDA State Director Janie Dunning, Sgt. Nick Berry, Troop B, and USDA Representative Dan Niemeyer in this photo after the presentation.



### Jesse M. Hornbeck



Jesse M. Hornbeck, 87, of Poplar Bluff, MO, died Saturday, March 2, 2013, at The Manor in Poplar Bluff.

Mr. Hornbeck was born July 10, 1925, in Poplar Bluff, to the late Ransom and Rosetta (Redford) Hornbeck. He attended Poplar Bluff School before joining the CCC from 1939-1941. He served in the United States Army during WWII from 1941-1945. He worked at Toellner Bakery (Bamby Bread) for 20 years. He then retired in 1990, after 22 years of dedicated service to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, as a building and grounds maintenance supervisor. Mr. Hornbeck was devoted to his children and grandchildren. An avid gardener, he loved sharing his tomatoes and cucumbers with his many family and friends.

On October 5, 1944, he married Mary (Gower) Hornbeck, in Corning, AR. She survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Brenda Bellamy (and her husband, Allan), of Springfield, MO, and Sharon Tibbs (and her husband, Marion), of Poplar Bluff; four grand-children, Kimberly Bellamy, of Springfield, Scott Bellamy (and his wife, Michelle), of Olathe, KS, Michelle Bates (and her husband, Doug), of Poplar Bluff, and Brian Tibbs (and his wife, Lori), of Poplar Bluff; great-grandchildren, Kaylee Hessling (and her husband, David), of Dexter, MO,

Kelsey Bates, Lucas Tibbs, Tanner Tibbs, and Tyson Tibbs, all of Poplar Bluff, Ashley Davis (and her husband, Jason), of Long Beach, MS, and Cole and Drew Bellamy, of Olathe; five great-great-grandchildren; three brothers, Everett Hornbeck (and his wife, Pete), of Little Rock, AR, Donnie Hornbeck (and his wife, Betty), of Poplar Bluff, and Ralph Hornbeck, of St. Louis; two sisters-in-law, Dorothy Moore, of Poplar Bluff, and Carol Hornbeck, of Naylor, MO.

Preceding Mr. Hornbeck in death are siblings Willis, Trillis, Albert, Arvel, Carl, and Ira Hornbeck, and Lula Bell Moore.

Fowler-Sullivan Funeral Home in Poplar Bluff handled funeral arrangements. Graveside services with military honors took place on March 6, 2013. Ron Fowler officiated.

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

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# Richard P. Burnett



Richard P. Burnett, 91, of Jefferson City, died Monday, March 4, 2013, at Adams Street Place. He was born near Hartsburg, MO, on February 19, 1922, the first child of Richard Clyde and Beulah (Vaughan) Burnett. The family moved to Jefferson City when he was

of an early age, and he received his education in the public school system. He graduated from Jefferson City High School in 1940.

He married Virginia Lou Huston, of Jefferson City, on June 16, 1946, at the First Christian Church in Jefferson City. Richard served in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1942 until 1946. He was discharged with the rank of radioman first class, having served at Great Lakes, IL, Cheltenham, MD, Chatham, MA, and San Juan, Puerto Rico. Following his discharge from the Navy, he joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol in 1946.

His first assignment was doing routine Patrol work in Brookfield, MO, for a period of 13 years. Richard's next assignment was at Troop B Headquarters in Macon, MO, where he worked as the criminal investigator and polygraphist for 17 years. His last five years he was a lieutenant at Troop F Headquarters, Jefferson City, and he retired from there in 1981.

He was a member of the First Christian Church in Jefferson City. He also held membership in the Masonic Lodge #86 in Brookfield, MO, the Missouri State Highway Patrol Quarter Century Club, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol Retired Employees Association. For 12 years, he was secretary-treasurer of the Northeast Missouri Peace Officers Association. Richard also served with the Boy Scouts of America in Macon, MO.

Survivors include: two sons, Bob Burnett (and his wife, Mary), of St. Joseph, MO, and Bill Burnett (and his wife, Paula), of Jefferson City; a daughter, Becky Schlueter (and her husband, Tim), of Jefferson City; six grandchildren: Kelly Cooper (and her husband, Kevin), of San Diego, CA, Cory Burnett, of Indianapolis, IN, Matt Schlueter (and his wife, Candace), of St. Peters, MO, Scott Schlueter (and his fianceé, Alesha Heckman), Drew Burnett, and Kristin Burnett, all of Jefferson City; a sister-in-law, Bonnie

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Burnett, of Jefferson City; and a brother-in-law, Melvin Hunziker, of Wright City, MO.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia; his parents; a daughter, Janet; a brother, Harold; a granddaughter-in-law, Laurie Burnett; and a sister-in-law, Betty Hunziker.

Services took place on Saturday, March 9, 2013, at the Houser-Millard Funeral Home. Interment with full military honors followed at the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery near Hartsburg. Memorials are suggested to the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Association, B.L. Reid, 11405 County Road 399, Hartsburg, MO 65039, or The MASTERS (Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society), 5287 Highway 67 North, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901. Houser-Millard Funeral Directors handled the arrangements.

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

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### Roy L. Robinson



Roy L. Robinson, the son of Milford "Dode" and Atta Mae (Holmes) Robinson, was born February 26, 1928, in rural Putnam County, MO. In 1935, the Robinson family moved to a farm five miles south of Unionville,

MO. Roy attended the Unionville Schools and in 1942, the family moved to Peculiar, MO, where Roy graduated in 1945 at the age of 17. Immediately following graduation, Roy enlisted in the United States Navy and was stationed near Memphis, TN, for basic training. He was transferred to the Great Lakes Naval Base and to Oakland, CA, where he helped process the outgoing veterans. Roy returned to Kansas City, MO, and worked at Vendo Manufacturing Plant, who hired him mostly to play basketball on their semi-pro team. In 1948, he returned to Unionville to help his father in construction.

In July 1949, he was united in marriage to Lila Lou Henson. Three children were born to this union: David, Janette, and Robert. In 1952, Roy joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol, an organization he proudly served for 32 years. He was stationed in Kirksville, MO, for three years, and then moved to Moberly, MO, where he served until he retired in 1984, at the rank of sergeant. In 2000, Roy and Lila moved to Rock Port, MO, to be near two of their children. Lila died on May 12, 2008. Roy died on Thursday, March 7, 2013, at Community Hospital-Fairfax, in Fairfax, MO, at the age of 85.

The facts about a man are written above, but Roy was a loving husband. He and Lila were a "real" team. She being his moral support during his career and he was her strength as her health failed. The facts don't tell what a good father he was. His career choice made for long hours, but whenever his kids were in an activity, he could be counted on to be in the stands, many times in uniform. He was the disciplinarian, the dreaded words, "Wait 'til your father gets home," were taken very seriously. Usually, the worst part of any punishment was knowing that he was disappointed.

When Roy snapped his fingers, everyone knew he meant business. Roy was a proud grandparent who loved his grandchildren greatly. He once told

Lila that he didn't know how to be a good grandfather; he never had an example to follow. But, if they are asked, they will say, they think he was one of the best. The majority of them learned to hunt and/or fish at the farm, and some learned to drive in the pasture in his old beater truck he kept for that very reason. He loved to watch their activities, and they knew they could count on him.

The facts also don't tell what a loving son he was to Dode and Atta, and a brother to Max and Colleen. They, too, knew he could be depended on at any time. The facts also lack in telling of his gardening skills. He once said he saw God in the garden. It provided him peace and he found joy in sharing his bounty. The facts also don't tell how much he will be missed by those who loved him and knew him as Dad, Grandpa, neighbor, and friend.

Besides his parents, Roy was preceded in death by his wife, Lila; a son, David; a brother, Max Robinson; a sister, Colleen Braden; and one infant sister. Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Janette and Garrett Smith, Rock Port; son and daughterin-law, Bob and Terrie Robinson, Muldrow, OK; daughter-in-law, Norena Robinson, Rock Port; nine grandchildren, Jon Robinson, Heather Robinson, Halley Hunter (and her husband, Jay); Brent Dahlin, Wade Smith (and his wife, Ashley); Kalen Smith (and his wife, Celinda); Ellie Schulz (and her husband, Brian); Lauren Surkamer, Luke Robinson (and his wife, Jen); 12 great-grandchildren, Katie Robinson, Sadie, Zeke, and Silas Shulz, Jack and Lincoln Surkamer, Luca and Lilyila Smith, Rylan Hunter, Peyton and Emma Dunworth, and Keenan Robinson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service took place on Sunday, March 10, 2013, at Minter Funeral Chapel, in Rock Port. A private family inurnment was held at Unionville Cemetery, in Unionville, MO, at a later date. Memorials may be sent to



the Community Track Fund of Rock Port School or Rock Port Nutrition Center.

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

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### **Doris K. King**



Doris K. King, 71, of Moberly, MO, died Thursday, March 7, 2013, at Benchmark Healthcare of Loma Linda, after a brief illness. Doris was born September 27, 1941, in Moberly, to Virgil and Mildred (Slaughter) King.

Doris attended South East Park Elementary school from 1947 to 1954; she then attended Moberly Junior High School from 1954 to 1957. Then, she and her family moved to Owensville, MO, where she graduated from Owensville High School in 1959. Doris worked for a few years at Allstate Insurance Company in Kansas City, MO. She then moved to Jefferson City, MO, where she worked for the Missouri State Highway Patrol until to her retirement in 2002. Doris would continue to work for the Highway Patrol part-time until her return to Moberly in 2008.

Survivors include a brother, Marvin King, and a sister, Virgie King, both of Moberly.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents.

Services honoring and celebrating Doris's life took place Tuesday, March 12, at the Cater Funeral Home Chapel, with committal prayers and interment to follow in Memorial Park Cemetery.

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

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### M. Sue Herzing



M. Sue Herzing, 75, of Freeburg, MO, died Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at Westphalia Hills, Westphalia, MO. She was born December 28, 1937, in Mexico, MO, in Audrain County, a daughter of Edward and Mildred (Smith) Paschal. Mrs. Herzing was united in marriage on April 4, 1959, in Jefferson City, to Louis Bernard Herzing Jr. To this union, five children were born.

Mrs. Herzing was a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church, in Freeburg. During her working life, she did secretarial and clerical work at the Highway Patrol General Headquarters, Jefferson City, in the Crime Laboratory Division for 25 years, retiring in 1999.

Those left to mourn the passing of Mrs. Herzing include her husband, Louis Herzing Jr., of the home in Freeburg; three sons, Randy Herzing, of Freeburg, Keith Herzing (and his wife,

Shelly), of Westphalia, and Kent Herzing (and his wife, Laurie), of Taos; two daughters, Pam Mietzner (and her husband, Joel), of Jefferson City, and Cara Wright (and her husband, Duke), of Gold Canyon, AZ; one brother, Ed Paschal (and his wife, Elaine), of Jefferson City; three sisters, Betty Hertzing (and her husband, Ray), Judy Jenkins (and her husband, Charles), and Darlene Gilmore (and her husband Rick Henson), all of Jefferson City; five grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; one great-grandchild; five step-great-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one grandson, Brent Wayne Herzing (on November 23, 1987); and one son-in-law, Harry Rackers.

A mass of Christian burial was celebrated for Mrs. Herzing on Friday, March 15, 2013, in the Holy Family Catholic Church, Freeburg, with the Rev. Phil Niekamp celebrating. Interment was in the Holy Family Cemetery, Freeburg, under the direction of the Vienna Chapel of the Birmingham-Martin Funeral Homes. Memorials may be sent to the Holy Family School or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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

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July 4

• Independence Day

July 13

• Tpr. J.N. Greim died in 1945.



## Ernest W. VanWinkle



Ernest W. VanWinkle of Kansas City, MO, died March 26, 2013, at Liberty Hospital. A private memorial service took place at a later date. Ernest was born June 23, 1920, in Lawson, MO.

He was a highly decorated veteran of the U.S. Army. He served during WW II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Ernest was awarded the Silver Star and the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster in recognition of his valor and sacrifice. In addition to his service during WW II, Ernest was called back to duty during the Korean Conflict to act as provost marshal at Fort Riley, KS. Prior to this recall, he joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol. He continued that career until his retirement at the rank of lieutenant colonel. serving as the assistant superintendent.

He was preceded in death by his wife Mary J. Van Winkle. Survivors include his daughter, Mary Jackson (and her husband, Bill), of Dallas, Texas; his son, James VanWinkle (and his wife, Shirley), of Kansas City, MO; two grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

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

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## Charles D. Whitehead



Mr. Charles D. Whitehead, 82, of Jefferson City, died Thursday, March 28, 2013, at St. Mary's Health Center surrounded by his family. Charles was born November 30, 1930, in Cape Girardeau, the son of William Carl Sr. and Lucy (Farmer) Whitehead.

He was married to Shirley M. Heberle on November 5, 1954, at the Evangelical and Reformed Church in Jefferson City.

He grew up in Charleston, MO, where he was a 1948 graduate of Charleston High School, and later attended the University of Missouri at Columbia. While on the Missouri State Highway Patrol, he graduated from the Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Chicago, IL, in 1970.

Charles proudly served in the United States Army Air Corps during the Korean conflict. He was stationed in Nagoya, Japan, as a military policeman. He received an honorable discharge in August 1952.

In 1953, he graduated from the Missouri State Highway Patrol Law Enforcement Academy and was assigned to Rolla. In April 1954, he was transferred to Poplar Bluff, and in September 1954, he was assigned to Kennett, MO. He was then transferred to Perryville, MO, in September 1958, and promoted to corporal in 1967. He transferred to Fredericktown, MO, in February 1968, and promoted to

sergeant. After completing training at the Northwestern Traffic Institute, he reported to the General Headquarters in Jefferson City, where he was assigned to the Training Division. In 1973, he was promoted to lieutenant and assigned to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division. In 1976, he served in the Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division. He was promoted to rank of captain in 1980, and named the director of the Training Division where he served until his retirement on September 1, 1986, concluding a 33-year career of service to the Patrol.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church; a 50-year member of the American Legion, Roscoe Enloe Post 5; a 50-year member of the Jefferson Lodge, No 43, A.F. & A.M.; a past member and president of the Capital Shrine Club; a member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie 2693; and a member of The MASTERS. He enjoyed the Lake of the Ozarks, playing cards and golf, traveling, Missouri Tiger football and basketball, and Cardinals baseball. Most importantly, he enjoyed spending time with his family.

Survivors include: his wife of 58 years, Shirley Whitehead; two children, Sue Whitehead Cox (and her husband, Steve), of Jefferson City, and Paul Whitehead (and his wife, Jan Chaney Whitehead), of Katy, Texas; four grandchildren, Lea Muck, of Kansas City, Kayla Muck Wilbers, of Jefferson City, Lindsay Whitehead, of New York, NY, and Sara Whitehead, of San Marcos, Texas; six brothers, William Carl Whitehead Jr., of Emporia, VA, Arthur Whitehead (and his wife, Jan), of Sikeston, MO, Irvin Whitehead (and his wife, Hazel), of Olean, MO, Jim Whitehead, of Wyatt, MO, Bob Whitehead (and his wife, Mary Jane), of Charleston, MO, and Ben Whitehead (and his wife, Phyllis), of Charleston, MO; one sister-in-law, Judy Whitehead, of Charleston; one brother-in-law, Georgi Risko, of North Carolina: and numerous nieces and nephews.



He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Russell Whitehead, John Whitehead, and Richard Whitehead; three sisters, Carla Jo Knaup, Jennye Wedeking, and Nancy Risko; three sisters-in-law Jo Whitehead, Lela Whitehead, and Barbara Whitehead; and two brothers-in-law, Richard Knaup and Jim Wedeking

Visitation took place at Freeman Mortuary, on Monday, April 1, 2013, and included a Masonic service. Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, April 2, 2013, in the Freeman Chapel with the Reverend Daniel Hilty officiating. Graveside services and interment with military honors occurred at Hawthorn Memorial Gardens.

Those desiring to make memorial contributions may do so to the Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society (The MASTERS), 5287 State Highway 67 N, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 or Shriners Hospitals for Children, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631, designating the St. Louis hospital. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Freeman Mortuary.

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

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#### **Clarification**

In the March/April 2013 *Patrol News*, retired Captain John W. Danklef was referred to incorrectly as a retired lieutenant. He was a lieutenant when he encouraged Mr. Dick Schellman to come to work for the Patrol (see page 25 of that issue). However, he retired as a captain. (Retired Capt. Danklef died in 2012.)

#### John M. Adams



John Michael Adams, 63, lifelong Seneca, MO, resident, died at the Cancer Treatment Center in Tulsa, OK, after a courageous battle with cancer, and surrounded by his loving wife, sister, and brothers.

John was born April 19, 1949, in Neosho, MO, the son of Loyd and Bernice Adams. He graduated from Seneca High School in 1967. He graduated from Missouri Southern State College in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in education. John taught history and social studies, and coached football and baseball at Monett, MO, and Seneca, prior to being employed by the Missouri State Highway Patrol. He retired in 2007, as a chief commercial vehicle officer after 30 years of service.

John served on the Seneca School Board, and refereed high school football, baseball, and girls' softball for 36 years. At the time of his death, he was serving his third term on the Seneca City Council. He loved playing golf, fishing, and spending time with his wife and daughter. He was loved so very much by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Tawni, of the home; a daughter, Abigail, of the home; his mother, Bernice Adams, of Seneca; loving mother-in-law, Sunny (Honey) Graham; one sister, Mary Ann Nutting (and her husband, Doug), of Miami; two brothers, Jim Adams (and his wife, Kim) and Steve Adams (and his wife, Brenda), all of Seneca;

a host of nieces and nephews; and a host of friends. John M. Adams was preceded in death by his father, Loyd I. Adams.

Funeral services under the direction of Campbell-Biddlecome Funeral Home, in Seneca, took place Tuesday, April 2, at the Seneca Christian Church with Truman Brady officiating.

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

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# Robert G. Plymell



Mr. Robert G. "Bob" Plymell, 76, Bethany, formerly of Lexington and Marshall, MO, died Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at his home. He was born January 27, 1937, in Pattonsburg, MO, the son of Charles D. and Celia Mae (Salmon) Plymell.

Bob joined the Patrol on August 3, 1958, as a member of the 18th Recruit Class. He retired as a zone sergeant for the Missouri State Highway Patrol in the Lexington and Marshall, MO, area on June 1, 1996. He was a member of the American Angus Association.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Lalah Marie Plymell.

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Survivors include a son, Clark Plymell (and his wife, Cammie), Centerview, MO; five grandchildren, Kennedy, Preston, Chase, Calyssa, and Kameron; a brother, Nolan Plymell (and his wife, Judy), Lee's Summit, MO; and two nieces, Tracey and Kelli.

Funeral services took place Friday, April 12, at the Roberson Funeral Home, in Bethany, MO. Memorial contributions may be made to Salmon Cemetery in care of Roberson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 46, Bethany, MO 64424.

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

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He was a deacon of the Woodcrest Primitive Baptist Church for many years. Mel was a member of Goshen Primitive Baptist Church and the Ashland American Legion. He was past master of the Ashland Masonic Lodge #156, 32nd Masonary of the Scottish Rite, past patron of the Ashland Order of Eastern Star #309, and past president of the Ashland Optimist Club.

He owned and operated Mel's Small Engines. Mel retired from the city of Ashland after 25 years as police chief. He served in the U.S. Navy and Navy Reserves and the Army National Guard, including serving in the Gulf War. He worked as a driver examiner for the Missouri State Highway Patrol. He retired as a driver examiner supervisor assigned to the Troop F Headquarters in Jefferson City, on June 1, 2012.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 22, 2013, at Robinson Funer-

al Home with burial following in New Salem Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Nancy; children, Keith Baylous (and his wife, Robyn), of Ashland, Lisa Rupard (and her friend, Will), of Hartsburg, MO, Amy Puckett, of Fulton, Jessica Jahnsen (and her husband, Andy), of Ashland; one brother, Greg Rupard (and his wife, Linda), of St. Charles; one sister, Gail Young, of Florissant; grandchildren, Tori and Kara Puckett, Bailey Lenger, Bradie Baylous, and Andersyn and MacKinley Jahnsen.

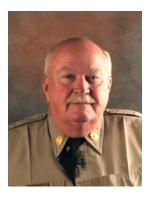
He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Fred Rupard.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Ashland Masonic Lodge.

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

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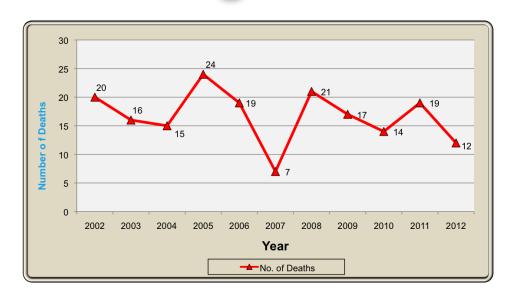
### Melvin D. Rupard



Melvin D. Rupard, of Ashland, MO, died at his home on April 18, 2013. He was 64 years old.

Mel was born July 20, 1948, in Columbia. The son of Charles and Rosetta (Rybolt) Rupard. He married Nancy Hagans Baylous on July 4, 1999, in Wilton, MO, and she survives.

### Missouri Recreational Boating Fatalities



### Retirees' Luncheon

A special invitation is extended to all Patrol retirees, spouses, surviving spouses, and guests to gather on Friday, August 16, 2013. We'll begin at 11 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m. with lunch served at noon. The gathering is being held at First Baptist Church, 2 North Douglas, Lee's Summit, MO. Join us and take a little time for fun and fellowship. (Door prizes appreciated.) The cost is \$11 per person. Please RSVP to retired Sgt. Pat Spire at 3400 Northwest 51st Terrace, Blue Springs, MO 64015. Call Pat at 816-229-0154 if you have questions or e-mail him at pvspire@prodigy.net.

# Thank You ~

I would like to extend a note of thanks to those that came to the visitation, attended my mother's funeral, came to the house and brought food, or just offered support. I want to also thank those that offered prayers and support for my mother these past six months, from her cancer diagnosis to her recent passing. My mother was a very special person and will truly be missed by myself and my family. The support of friends has really helped at a time that was very trying and hard for my family and me, and we truly appreciated it.

Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Kim A. Clarkston Q/CJISD On behalf of the Brookshire family, I would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, and those who attended the visitation or funeral service following the death of my mother-in-law, Freda Brookshire. Your acknowledgments were like a bright light shining in our dark hour and will always remain in our memories.

Clerk Typist III Peggy L. Brookshire, Troop I

### Sympathy

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

Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Kim A. Clarkston (Q/CJISD) - mother

Ret. Sgt. Rick R. Baird - wife Cpl. Jeff S. Baird (D) - mother

DE Sprv. Donette L. Baird (D) - mother-in-law

DE I Jessica Baird (D) - grandmother

Criminalist III D. Fred Warren (Q/CLD) - mother

Assistant Director Tim R. Schlueter (Q/CJISD) - father-in-law

Chief Tech. Brian D. Douglas (Q/ICTD) - mother-in-law

Ret. Lt. Col. Bill K. Seibert - mother-in-law

Tpr. Justin W. Turner (F) - grandfather

Clerk IV Jenn J. Canaday (Q/DE) - father-in-law

Cpl. Christine M. McIntyre (B) - grandmother

DE II Nicole Stratman (I) - grandmother

Chief DE Becky A. Kleffner (I) - mother-in-law

Cpl. Roger A. Sherman (H) - grandmother-in-law

Ret. MVI III Jimmie P. Ridenour - wife Clerk Typist III Peggy L. Brookshire (I) - mother-in-law

Sgt. Eddie A. Blaylock (C) - father

Ret. Clerk Typist III Donna R. Hartman - brother

DE III Susan Hall (E) - father-in-law Ret. Sgt. Jack A. McMillen - brother

Crim. Hist. Spec. I Jennifer J. Call (Q/CJISD) - grandmother

Asst. Chief Oper. John D. Hamilton (D) - grandfather

Cpl. J. Todd Vermillion (D) - grandmother

Auto. Tech. III Chris M. Cutler (G) - father

Ret. Pers. Rec. Clerk III Millie A. Sutton - husband

Ret. Capt. Billy E. Chadwick - mother-in-law

Comm. Oper. I Charlie F. Kirby (D) - grandmother-in-law

CVO Sprv. I Linda J. Stafford (D) - mother

Ret. CVE Insp. Sprv. I John H. Furry - wife

MVI Sprv. Gary W. Stockton (D) - brother

MVI II Joe W. Eldred (D) - father

Ret. Fiscal & Budgetary Analyst
Sprv. Charles E. Nichols - wife

Cpl. Eric R. Stacks (Q/DDCC) - father

Comm. Tech. II Jack A. Martin (Q/ICTD) - father

Cpl. Charlie L. Brown (C) - mother-in-law

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The origin of the challenge coin is associated with the military. The intended purpose was to recognize a special achievement and enhance morale.

The MASTERS Challenge Coin was designed and adopted to recognize the Missouri State Highway Patrol—both individuals and an organizational culture that exemplifies performance and dedication to public service for the safety of all Missourians.

Certainly, we pray that The MASTERS will never be needed again. However, if a tragedy does occur, we hope that knowing we are there with assistance and support for the family will provide some peace of mind to those who currently serve. Understandably, we realize after these tragedies occur, things will never be exactly OK. But, it will be better because The MASTERS, along with others, will be there for these families.





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