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## DISTRICT DOINGS

### Carlisle Lake . . .

Safety was the main theme of programs offered to the public this month at Carlisle Lake. Carlisle interpreters first presented a Boating Safety course. The interpreters then assisted IDOC police officer Bill Stanhouse in presenting a Hunters Safety course to 75 young hunters. These programs were then followed by a Bicycle Safety Rodeo co-sponsored by the Corps of Engineers and Carlisle Jaycees. Two bicycles donated by the Jaycees and an area business were awarded to the two top winners.

Park Aid Tracy Hall directed a nature crafts program attended by approximately 80 people. Woodsy Owl and Smokey Bear each visited Dam West Beach and the campground programs at Coles Creek and Boulder.

Carlisle was one of the stopping points for approximately 40 bicyclists Across the Magnificent Miles of Illinois traveling from Chicago. The cyclists were riding a 450-mile route for the benefit of the Chicago Lung Association.

Park Aid Bill Mulholland presented a "History of the US Army Corps of Engineers" slide program to 100 of the BAMMI bicyclists camping at the Coles Creek Environmental Study Area. Fifty of the bicyclists also enjoyed Dam Tours given by Park Aids Joel Hardy and Dan Sigler.

A poisonous plant and animal program presented by Park Technician Maggie Briggs aided 20 Mascoutah Girl Scouts in accomplishing several badge requirements.

Park Aid Marylois Horton discussed outdoor recreation opportunities with the Rough-Back Riders 4-H Club from Centralia. The group hiked the Little Nature Prairie Trail in spite of the high temperatures.

The Carlisle Cub Scouts also braved the heat and hiked Chipmunk Nature Trail with Park Aid Tracy Hall.

Maggie Briggs traveled to the Breese Library to present a "Snakes — Friend or Foe" program to 50 young readers.

Park Manager Al LeGrand spoke to 70 Real Estate Specialists and gave them a tour of the Dam, Dam West Marina, and Keyesport.

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### Lake Shelbyville . . .

Although the weather was extremely hot for most of the month, special request programs continued to be strong.

The Mobile Display Van was set up at the Cowden Pioneer Days celebration. More than 1900 visitors toured the van at the City Park. Woodsy Owl appeared in Cowden's Parade, also as a part of the festivities.

Larry Gutzler and Steve Arloff led a nature hike for clients from the Moultrie County Beacon.

The Sullivan Summer Recreation Group was treated to Environmental Games and Nature Crafts by Beth Connors and Pete Woelkers. Ages of the group ranged from 2 years to 8 years old.

The same group from Sullivan returned to Lake Shelbyville for a Tour of the Dam given by Steve Arloff and Nate Fairchild.

Beth Connors worked with a group of Taylorville Girl Scouts on completing requirements for a swimming badge. Connors, who is also a lifeguard, taught the girls basic swimming styles and safety around the water.

Al Lookofsky led a group from the Farm Bureau on a Tour of the Dam.



## **DISTRICT DOINGS (Continued)**

### **Mark Twain Lake . . .**

August 23rd marked a historical event at Clarence Cannon Dam as the three sluice gates were welded closed to begin filling of the Mark Twain Lake. Area media representatives met at the M.W. Boudreaux Visitor Center for a press conference with Lt. Paul Chapman, Project Engineer Otto Steffens, plus local and state politicians, and members of the Clarence Cannon Dam and Mark Twain Lake Association. After the meeting, everyone met at the dam site where local television stations filmed segments of the gate closure.

The third annual Salt River Folklife Day was held at the M.W. Boudreaux Recreation Area on 7 Aug 83 with 3,500 people attending. Area artists demonstrated quilting, chair caning, basketweaving and other traditional crafts giving visitors an idea of early life in America. Park Technician Nancy Rogers and Anne Behrens, along with Clerk-Typist Susie Mayfield, taught children ropemaking, quilting and cats cradle in the special "Kids Corner." Park Aids Steve Patterson and Nina Walker gave visitors a chance to hand dip wax candles as souvenirs of the festival. Technician Anne Behrens along with various artists were interviewed by both local television stations for the 6:00 and 10:00 o'clock news.

Park Ranger Marvin Morris took members of the Hi-Way Hoppers camping club on a bird watching hike. Later he presented a slide presentation on the Barn Owl Restoration Program at Mark Twain Lake.

### **Lock & Dam 26 (Replacement) . . .**

Ron Viehweg, Captain Jim Benner and Jim Kuehnle hosted a visit to the project by 24 engineers from the Illinois Association of Highway Engineers.

A group attending a real estate seminar visited the site with Dennis Hogan, and were given briefings and tours by Sandy Hoelscher, Tony Thompson, Tom Buettmann and Len Ross.

Sandy Hoelscher also gave briefings and tours to a group of 8 visitors, to National Guard & Reserve Engineer Unit Commanders, and to fifteen 835th Army Air Corps Engineers.

### **Wappapello Lake . . .**

The Wappapello Lake Mobile Visitor Center has been rolling along this month. The Visitor Center was set up at the Puxico and Bloomfield Fairs.

The third annual Wappapello Lake Cleanup and festival held on August 27 was a huge success. Over 500 area youngsters and adults turned out to work the lake shoreline and roads gathering tons of litter. Cleanup coordinator, Red Smith, did a tremendous job involving the community and area businesses to make the cleanup a success.

The afternoon festivities, provided for those who participated, included a free B-B-Q chicken lunch, prize drawings, musical entertainment, horseshoe pitching contest and everyone's favorite, the dunking booth. Participants in the dunking booth included the District Engineer, Colonel Gary D. Beech; Chief, Recreation-Resources Branch, John F. Marzec; Park Manager, Mike McClendon; and Congressman Bill Emerson along with area business persons.

A new type of beach program was included to fit into the theme of lake cleanup. The program, entitled "Sand Scavenger" is a type of scavenger hunt on the beach. However, the articles listed to find are not beach articles, but various types of trash, such as cigarette butts and glass. The program stresses the rules of the beach and why they are to be obeyed. The first Sand Scavenger program was a huge success with more than 100 participants getting involved.

### **AROUND THE DISTRICT . . .**

Colonel Gary Beech got back in the swing giving the opening remarks at the ADP Convention, and hosting a public meeting in Hannibal about the restricted fishing zones at Corps dams. He also briefed Senator Abdnor of South Dakota and Senator Percy (Ill) about St. Louis Harbor and L&D26(R), and gave an overview briefing to the advance man for Jacques Cousteau, who is doing a film about the Mississippi River. He also gave a briefing to National Guard and Reserve Engineer Unit Commanders within the St. Louis District.

Gary Dyhouse presented two papers at the ASCE Hydraulics Division Specialty Conference at MIT, Cambridge, Mass. The first, "Stage-Frequency Analysis for a Major River Junction," described the technical analysis made to determine Illinois River flood frequencies for on-going levee studies. The second, "Should Analytical Procedures Equal Available Data," authored by the Chief, Hydrology and Hydraulics Division, OCE, discussed Corps philosophy on computer modeling in hydraulics.

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### **WANTED: NEWS FROM RETIREES**

Many retirees state that they do not recognize any of the names in the Information Bulletin. We would be happy to print more news about retirees. Let us hear from you.

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## INCENTIVE AWARDS

### PROMOTIONS:

Michael S. Barfield, OD-PB,  
Deckhand, WG-3507-6

Charles M. Johnson, OD-PB,  
Deckhand, WG-3507-6

Robert M. Barton, OD-PB,  
Deckhand, WG-3507-6

William R. Hedger, OD-NL,  
Lock and Dam Operator, WY-5426-8

Delores M. Alber, CD-I,  
Civil Engineer, GS-810-9

Beth L. Edwards, OD-B,  
Budget Analyst, GS-560-9

Robert G. Lockhart, OD-NL,  
Lock and Dam Operator, WY-5426-9

John B. Cannon, OD-RJ,  
Park Technician, GS-026-5

Lorraine A. Burg, ED-C,  
Administrative Aid (Typ), GS-303-4

Gwen M. Causey, DC-M,  
Management Technician Typing, GS-344-5

Antionette T. Mueller, ED-DS,  
Civil Engineer Technician, GS-802-5

Karen S. Pinca, AS-W,  
Clerk Typist, GS-322-4

Jean M. Beausang, OD-NL,  
Procurement Assistant, GS-1106-7

### EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE RATINGS:

Margaret A. Robbins, ED-HW  
Sharon R. Cotner, PD-F  
Francis M. Opfer, ED-HE  
Charles M. Meyer, ED-DA  
Richard J. Kozeny, ED-HE

### SPECIAL ACT/SERVICE AWARDS:

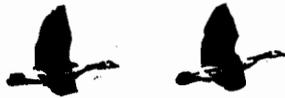
Mr. Dru Butterfield was presented with a Special Act Award for his voluntarily assumed duties as Visitor Assistance Ranger at Lake Shelbyville, Illinois, during the period 21 March 1983 through 10 June 1983.

Special Act Awards and Certificates of Commendation were presented to the following personnel for their participation and contributions in providing Equal Employment Opportunity during the month of May. Their support of recruitment activities to reach qualified black engineers was exceptional.

Jean Griffin  
Daniel Flippen  
Walter Feld  
Robert Frederick  
Earlan Greer

Rich Hansen  
Harry Ward  
Barbara Boswell  
Stephanie Hobson  
Daniel Flowers

## HERE AND THERE



When the smoke of the muskets cleared, and the final notes of the zithers drifted away, the Third Annual Pioneer Life Festival at Rend Lake was itself history. Despite 106° temperatures and a cloudless sky, a remarkable crowd of 2300 showed up, eager to take a step back in time to the days of the pioneers.

An event which emphasizes active participation on the visitor's part, and held in and on the grounds of the Rend Lake Visitor Center, folks sampled sourdough bread, freshly churned butter, and buckwheat honey while hearing their history. Many tried their hand at quilting, weaving, spinning, candle-dipping, and cornshuck doll making, with local craftspersons leading the way. For those seeking physical activity, the Festival included an intricate grass labyrinth and a chance to paddle, along with 14 others, a 35' voyageur canoe, courtesy of the Illinois Department of Conservation Region V Office.

Other traditional crafts on display were soap making, decoy carving, primitive woodworking, and flintlock rifle

shooting. The latter brought nervous jumps each time a spark touched the powder. Civil War firearms, with a real live Confederate soldier, an overland trunk filled with all the necessities for cross-country travel, and examples of 1850's "blue jean" denim, counterpanes and coverlets were present.

The ever popular live goose plucking was well attended, as were the recitals of two sisters who've collected over 100 early american zither-type instruments. Visitors sought relief from the heat inside the Visitor Center where quilts lined the walls amid numerous displays, and a movie "Colonial Life and Crafts" was shown.

Nourishment was available with a simple home-cooked meal provided by a local church group. Free samples of teas & jellies made from wild plants were offered by the Roadside Naturalists Club. The day was topped off with music from the Cedar Creek Stump Warmers string band, who even clogged for the audience in that heat!

## HERE AND THERE (Continued)



In all, 23 organizations and individual craftspersons cooperated in presenting the Pioneer Life Festival. Both pre- and post-publicity were very thorough, including 10 radio stations, 8 newspapers, 2 television stations; and several local business marquees donating advertising space. A pre-Festival visit by Brad Evilsizer, Director of the Department of Mines and Minerals for the state of Illinois, to view a display of antique coal-mining tools sparked increased interest in the Festival.

Continued expansion of the Pioneer Life Festival and cooler weather are planned for next year!

Throughout the year, members of the 1009th Supply and Service Company, U.S. Army Reserve from Fairfield, Illinois, have been using public lands at Rend Lake for various military exercises. Coordinating activities with Dave Berti, Park Ranger, the reservists have recently tested several types of equipment in preparation for a temporary assignment in Germany during September. Portions of the North Marcum Recreation Area were utilized for the exercises, testing field shower facilities, decontamination units and food preparation equipment. Plans for an expanded exercise next year include a MASH unit mobilization.

## EEO CORNERSTONE

### NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE WEEK 11-17 SEPTEMBER

Hispanic people have played a distinguished role in the history of our Nation. They founded settlements in Florida and Georgia half a century before the Pilgrims landed in Massachusetts, and were homesteading in New Mexico more than 150 years before the War of Independence. The names of scores of American cities and towns — such as Los Angeles, Albuquerque, San Antonio, and Saint Augustine — remind us that many of the explorers and settlers who opened our frontiers were of Hispanic origin.

The Hispanic community has given us generals, admirals, philosophers, statesmen, musicians, athletes, and Nobel Prize-winning scientists. Hispanic Americans have contributed gallantly to the defense of our Nation, and many have received the highest decoration our country can bestow — the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Outstanding Hispanic men and women add daily to our Nation's accomplishments in science, technology, the arts, and politics. And Hispanic citizens contribute daily to the quality of our lives. Hispanics exhibit an eminent pride in our American heritage, a passionate love of family, a profound devotion to religion, and an energetic commitment to hard work.

It is fitting that we pause to recognize and celebrate our Hispanic heritage.

## NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE WEEK



## NEW SAFETY OFFICER

The new Safety Officer for the St. Louis District, Gary L. Groenemann, has 15 years of government service. Gary began his career with the Construction Division working on the Kaskaskia Navigation Project. After 13 years of field experience which included Project Engineers on the Rend Lake and Illinois Lakes Projects, Gary has spent the past two years in the St. Louis Office as Chief of the Program Control Section.

A graduate of the University of Missouri Engineering School, Gary also holds a Master's Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri, Rolla, and is a Registered Professional Engineer.

Gary and his wife, Jan, have three sons, Jason 12; Garic, 10; and Jeremy, 6. Their home is in St. Peters, Missouri.

Gary is a licensed private pilot and enjoys flying on his free time. He also enjoys tennis and other sports.

Groenemann replaces Fred Powell who moved to Vicksburg to become Division Safety Officer.

## HYDAR'S HAPPENINGS

The half dollar is one of the most interesting of the United States coins.

The first half dollar minted for circulation was way back in 1794. In addition to regular issued coins, commemorative half dollars have been made. Collectors delight in these commemorative coins. The first commemorative half dollar was made for the Chicago Columbian Exposition in 1892. Many others were made after this.

The first half dollar had a bust of Miss Liberty on the back, and an eagle and 15 stars around the edge on the front. A 16th Star for Tennessee was added. However, all coins issued after the turn of the 19th century have 13 stars, one for each of the original colonies.

Even the Confederates made half-dollars. One of the most historical half dollars was the one issued by the Confederate Forces in 1861, in New Orleans.

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## TELEPHONE USAGE

Information has been received from DMATS of an analysis of our calls placed over the Automatic Route Selector (ARS) equipment. During the period 17-30 Jun some **952** calls were completed and **722** were incomplete. **Eighty-nine** calls were billed to incorrect four digit station numbers.

The majority of incompleting calls were those in which the "To" numbers were **NOT DIALED** or were incomplete as opposed to "busy," "no answer" calls. Once the access code **6** is dialed a **charge is incurred**, prorated and billed regardless of whether the dialing is completed.

Of particular concern are those who dial incorrect four digit station numbers, i.e., 6+4+xxxx. Following station numbers are dialing wrong digits when placing calls: 5050, 5073, 5107, 5108, 5233, 5317, 5318, 5324, 5517, 5518, 5541, 5542, 5591, 5638, 5661, 5664, 5681, 5682, 5710, 5851, 5859, & 5868.

Employees are reminded not only is every dialed digit recorded but also the number from which calls are placed.

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## ARMY-NAVY GAME MOVES TO PASADENA

After 39 years, the classic Army-Navy football game will move from what is considered the traditional battle ground: Philadelphia.

This year's game will be played at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California, on November 25th.

Though the two teams have faced each other 84 times, this year marks only the second time the game has moved from the East Coast. In 1926, the game was held in Chicago. The location was changed, for one-year only, to foster awareness of the two academies and to enable retired and active duty personnel from that area to attend.

Tickets for the game are available from Ticketron outlets nationwide. The game will be televised over ABC.

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## SAFETY ALERT

### CORRIDORS — DISTRICT OFFICE SAFETY ALERT

District Office employees are reminded that corridors are passageways, and should not be cluttered with boxes, furniture, old telephone books, etc. If you have material or furniture that is excess, please contact the laborers in room 937, phone 3-5656, and schedule a time to have the items picked up. Do not place anything in the corridors.

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## FOR SALE

1977 Z28 Camaro, PS, PB, AC, AM-FM stereo, 1 owner, very good condition, Brown w/tan trim. #3400.00. Call Sherry Snyder — work — 263-5685.

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Two beautiful waterfront lots located 12 minutes west of Perryville, Mo. Have water and sewer, electric at road. Ready to use for camping or build. 180 acre lake, swimming pool, security. Call Larry Jenneman at 263-5600 or 544-3769.

## GOOD SAMARITANS STILL EXIST

It is refreshing to have one's faith in human-kind renewed from time to time.

Last week I was in the embarrassing position of having a total stranger call to report finding my wallet. Embarrassing because I had not even missed it.

Dr. J. M. Snyder, a director of research and development at Ralston-Purina, had found my wallet, evidently within minutes of my having dropped it enroute to work. Dr. Snyder expressed his sympathy that there was no money left in the wallet and seemed quite relieved to learn that there was none there before I lost it.

I didn't even get a chance to be upset about the credit cards, since Dr. Snyder so promptly informed me and earned my totally inadequate thanks. I just wanted to share such a refreshing experience with our readers.

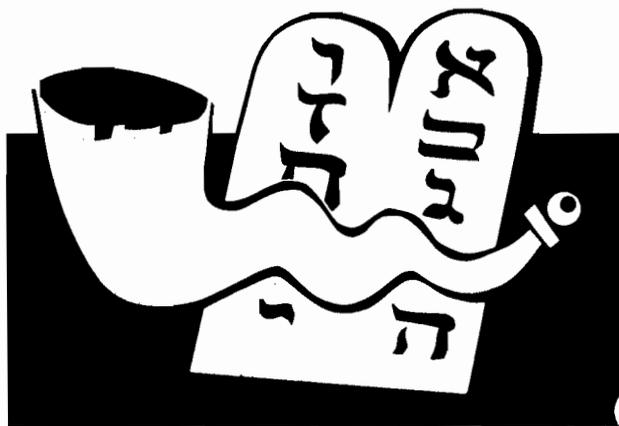
C.A. Wilkes  
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*Some people who long to live forever don't even know what to do with themselves on a rainy Sunday afternoon.*

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## Rosh Hashana • Sept. 8



## Jewish New Year

## 2ND ANNUAL LMVD GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 2nd Annual LMVD Golf Championship was hosted by the St. Louis District at the Clinton Hills Course on 19 and 20 August. Forty-seven golfers survived two days of 100 degree heat to make the event a big success. Several spouses joined the LMVD golfers at an awards banquet on Saturday night.

Winners in the 1983 tournament are as follows:

<b>Flight</b>	<b>Winners</b>	<b>Runners-Up</b>
Championship	* Rich Siemons (STL)	Willie Jones (Memphis)
First	** Art Johnson (STL)	Ray Brady (Memphis)
Second	Lew Scheuermann (STL)	Jim Partridge (Memphis)
Third	Bruce Moore (STL)	Harold Davis (LMVD)

\*Defending (82) Champ

\*\* Won playoff

Great interest was again generated in Championship Flight as Willie Jones shot a 33 on the front-side Saturday to pull even with Rich Siemons. Rich again prevailed for St. Louis, but Willie Jones and LTC Fowler Goodowens were within a shot going in to the tournament's 35th hole.

Representatives of the Division and Vicksburg District volunteered to sponsor next year's tournament. We hope for increased participation next year in Vicksburg. Our St. Louis golfers will bring the Championship trophy, although we may have to lug it back again.

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## TWO CORPS OFFICERS ON MAJOR GENERAL SELECTION LIST.

TWO U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS GENERAL OFFICERS ARE AMONG 37 OFFICERS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT FOR PROMOTION TO MAJOR GENERAL. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE AT 1100 HOURS ON 16 AUGUST. BG SCOTT B. SMITH (SEQUENCE NUMBER 51 IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS COMMANDER AND DIVISION ENGINEER, EUROPEAN DIVISION, AND BG RICHARD S. KEM (SEQUENCE NUMBER 15) IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS COMMANDER AND DIVISION ENGINEER, OHIO RIVER DIVISION IN CINCINNATI.

*"I made him swear he'd always tell me  
nothing but the truth.  
I promised him I never would resent it,  
No matter how unbearable, how harsh,  
how cruel. How come  
He thought I meant it?"*

**Judith Viorst**

"Nothing But the Truth"



*In most modern homes everything is controlled by a  
flick of a switch except the children.*

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## SOME SOBERING FACTS

Last year, more than 25,000 people died in alcohol-related accidents.

An additional 1.5 million were injured.

A disproportionate number of those killed were under 25 years of age.

The cost of drunk driving accidents amounts to over \$24 billion every year in property damage, loss of wages, medical and legal fees. Not to mention the emotional pain to the victim's families and friends.

Facts like these make it clear that we need to examine our own attitudes about drinking and driving.

The U.S. Dept. of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration produced the following information:

### DRUNK DRIVING FACTS

- A blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .10 percent or greater is the level at which a driver is considered legally intoxicated in most states.
- Approximately 55 percent of fatal crashes involve a driver who has been drinking.
- The average BAC of drivers arrested for drunk driving is approximately .20 percent, double the level for presumed intoxication.
- Over the past 10 years, the proportion of highway deaths involving alcohol has averaged 25,000 per year; one-quarter of a million Americans have lost their lives in alcohol-related crashes in the last decade.

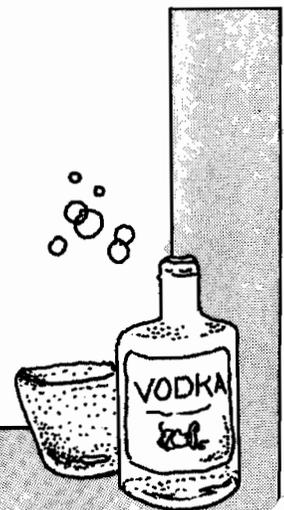
- Every driver has a 50% chance of being in an alcohol related crash in his/her lifetime.
- Although teenagers make up only 22% of the drivers, they make up 44% of the accidents by alcohol.

### SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

- Buckle-up for **every** trip and ask your passengers to do so too. Safety belts are the greatest protection we have against drunk and drugged drivers.
- Report any suspicious driving to the police, especially on the weekends — weaving, straying off the road, erratic braking, etc. — and encourage CB'ers to do the same.
- Do not be an over-generous host — provide plenty of hearty food and stop serving drinks early. Offer to drive tipsy individuals home or invite them to spend the night. **FRIENDS DON'T LET FRIENDS DRIVE DRUNK!**
- Promote the designated-driver concept — one licensed driver in a group of merrymakers refrains from drinking in order to ensure the entire group's safe drive home.
- Encourage use of alternative transportation systems like dial-a-ride, designated drivers, taxicabs.
- Mixing alcohol and drugs is particularly dangerous — taking one antihistamine with one drink, for example, doubles the impairment effect of both.

*English is a funny language. A fat chance and a slim chance are the same thing.*

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## ACCIDENT SUMMARY

### AUGUST 1983



#### **VEHICLE ACCIDENTS FOR AUGUST 1983: One**

Total vehicle accidents for CY 1983: One

Total vehicle accidents for CY 1982: Five

A Government employee on his way to a school had the engine fail in a way that caused a fire. The vehicle was totally destroyed.

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#### **PERSONAL INJURIES – CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES – AUGUST 1983: None**

Total accidents for CY 1983: Eight

Total accidents for CY 1982: Four

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#### **PERSONAL INJURIES – GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES – AUGUST 1983: One**

Total accidents for CY 1983: Twelve

Total accidents for CY 1982: Twelve

A Government employee at Lock and Dam No. 26 (Replacement) Resident Office injured his ankle when he fell while inspecting a concrete placement.

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#### **LAKE FATALITIES FOR AUGUST 1983: One**

Total lake fatalities for CY 1983: Three

Carlyle Lake – 2

Lake Wappapello – 1

Total lake fatalities for CY 1982: Four

Carlyle Lake – 3

Lake Shelbyville – 1

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A camper in the Redman Creek Area was burned to death by a propane explosion that occurred in her travel trailer. Three boys were seriously injured in the explosion.

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