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ON THE RECORD

Police/fire

Franklin Criminal mischief

• Legends construction site, Hurricane Road: An employee reported at 8:07 a.m. Monday that someone broke glass on the left side door of a back hoe with a padlock.

Personal-injury accident

• 3:16 p.m. Monday — Morton Street and Earlywood Drive: Kitty F. Clark, 48, Franklin; Paula J. Acton, 31, Edinburgh; James A. Houdek, 58, Greenwood; Clark complained of neck pain; Acton suffered minor bleeding on the head; one passenger in Clark's vehicle complained of back pain; another passenger in Clark's car complained of neck pain.

Greenwood Theft

• 2500 Harvest Moon Drive: A man reported at 4:43 p.m. Monday that an acquaintance stole his 10-foot flat-bottom boat from his son's house.

Property-damage accidents

• 8:06 a.m. Monday — Blue Grass Parkway and Rosea Court
• 4:14 p.m. Sunday — Madison Avenue and County Line Road
• 5:43 p.m. Saturday — U.S. 31 and County Line Road
• 7:22 p.m. Friday — Madison Avenue and Main Street
• 12:09 p.m. Friday — Stop 11 and McFarland Road

Johnson County Theft

• 3584 U.S. 31 South, Franklin Township: A woman reported at 11:32 a.m. Monday that a former tenant took several items from the home after being evicted.

Property-damage accidents

• 2:43 p.m. Monday — Fairview Road and Leisure Lane, White River Township

Jail bookings

The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Johnson County jail:

Christopher Jeremy Ealy, 19, 3453 Orchard Ave., Indianapolis; arrested on a Marion County warrant; held without bond.

Demetrius Vancleave, 48, 798 W. King St., Franklin; arrested on a charge of invasion of privacy; released on \$1,000 bond.

Joshua Lewis Patterson, 21, 1991 Puller Place, Apt. 11, Franklin; arrested on a charge of driving while suspended with a previous conviction; released on \$2,000 bond.

Rongrong Chen, 37, 3839 Wind Draft Drive, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of prostitution; released on \$1,000 bond.

Yingai Sun, 44, 3839 Wind Draft Drive, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of prostitution; released on \$1,000 bond.

Mark R. Runyon, 49, 218 Pebble Creek Drive, Greenwood; arrested on a charge of domestic battery; released on \$1,000 bond.

Roger Summers, 38, 1748 Feather Reed Lane, Greenwood; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; held on \$3,000 bond.

Jorge Vargas, 22, 4116 W. 79th St., Indianapolis; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court and on a Shelby County warrant; held without bond.

Jason Thomas Winslow, 20, 331 Shady Brook Heights, Greenwood; arrested on charges of probation revocation and failure to respond to a summons; held without bond.

Nicholas Joseph Farrand, 24, 440 Valley Oaks Road, Greenwood; arrested on a charge of violation of community corrections; held without bond.

Anthony Alan Worthington, 23, 2107 El Lago Blvd., Apt. 5, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of driving while suspended with a previous conviction; held on \$1,000 bond.

Neil P. Nelson, 19, 7712 Janel Court, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of possession, consumption, or transportation of alcohol by a minor; held on \$2,000 bond.

Paul G. Grimes, 21, 2839 Maddenly Drive, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana/hashish; released on \$1,000 bond.

David C. Wert, 45, 1160 Conservation Road, Martinsville; arrested on a charge of contempt; held on \$1,011 bond.

Andrew Stewart Raines, 21, 1280 Barefoot Trail, Greenwood; arrested on a charge of probation revocation; held without bond.

Nathan R. Whirley, 28, 535 Butterfly Circle, Greenwood; arrested on a charge of failure to appear in court; held on \$10,000 bond.

William Darren Hungerford, 35, 101 Mooreland Drive, New Whiteland; arrested on a charge of theft and a warrant for failure to appear in court; held on \$4,000 bond.

Tracy A. Black, 28, 3406 N. Wittfield St., Indianapolis; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; held on \$100 bond.

Terry L. Cody, 24, 1539 E. Perry St., Indianapolis; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; held on \$2,500 bond.

James L. Gardner, 31, 1221 Community Place, Apt. F, Indianapolis; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; held on \$300 bond.

Brian P. Toburen, 39, 2047 W. County Road 950N, Seymour; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; held without bond.

Minutes

Johnson County Board of commissioners

Monday, the board:
• Discussed starting a policy for county employees on cell phone use. Commissioners want office managers to give their opinion on a possible policy.

• Approved 3-0 construction plans for the second phase of the Reserve at Somerset, a subdivision located on the west side of State Road 135, south of Smokey Row Road.

• Approved 3-0 allowing county assessor Maria Hash to ask the county council to approve spending \$49,000 on new equipment that would allow the county to better map businesses and homes through aerial photography. The money would be spent out of Hash's reassessment fund.

• Approved 3-0 hiring Russ Bensheimer as the new director of the Veteran's Affairs office.

Johnson County County council

Monday the council:

• Approved 7-0 giving money to the Greenwood City Court, New Whiteland Police Department and the Whiteland Police Department for their participation in programs with the prosecutor's office.

• Approved 7-0 an agreement between the Johnson County Health Department and the Marion County Health Department for mosquito control programs.

• Approved 7-0 transferring \$1,400 to be spent on a laptop for the juvenile probation department.

• Approved 7-0 spending \$17,000 for a new air conditioning system for the computer department and \$3,000 for a copy machine for the White River Township assessor's office. Money for both purchases will come from the county's cumulative capital development fund.

• Approved 7-0 transferring \$52,000 from a fund that collected money from developments on Olive Branch Road to a fund to realign the intersection of the road with Morgantown Road.

• Approved 7-0 setting up a new fund and transferring \$80,000 to repair the bridge on Nineveh Road, which leads into Prince's Lakes.

• Approved 7-0 more than \$400,000 in homeland security grants to purchase equipment for the emergency management office.

• Approved 7-0 spending \$10,000 in inspection fees from developers on computer upgrades, testing and publications in the county planning department.

• Approved 7-0 transferring \$885 from overtime to a salary for a deputy in the treasurer's office. The salary had been reduced when the position was not filled.

• Approved 7-0 transferring \$4,000 from part-time to the salary of a training officer in the sheriff's office. Sheriff Terry McLaughlin wanted to raise the salary so he could fill the position with a qualified candidate.

• Approved 6-1 adopting an optional plan for the pension of sheriff's office employees. The plan would allow employees to freeze their pension, but continue working and save up payments in their pension account. Council member Ron West voted against the plan because he said he needed more information.

School board Franklin Community School Corp. Board of Trustees

On Monday the board:

• Heard an update on the construction of the new high school. The final completion date is expected to be in April 2007. Classrooms will be finished this summer and fall while the auditorium, field house and pool are expected to be finished by March 2007.

• Voted 5-0 to proceed with the renovation of the existing high school, the server room and repairs at Webb Elementary School.

• Approved 5-0 bids for eight new school buses at a cost of about \$622,000.

• Voted 5-0 to hire a construction management firm to work on the renovation of the existing high school. A district committee will review requests for proposals from interested firms on Feb. 21 and recommend a firm to hire at a Feb. 27 school board meeting. School officials said hiring the firm will help the school district save money by getting better bids and overseeing the project.

• Approved 5-0 to give support staff and administrators a 1.5 percent raise retroactive to July 1. The board also voted 5-0 to increase Assistant Superintendent Vickie Davis' salary from \$88,000 to \$94,000 a year.

Talk about grumpy patients

Zoo veterinarian gives details of hairy job at Humane Society meeting

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Imagine making a house-call for a tiger with a stomachache.

Or performing a root canal on a 1,500-pound Kodiak bear.

Even a basic medical procedure, drawing blood, gets a lot more complicated when the patient is a walrus.

Such is the work of a zoo veterinarian.

A zoo veterinarian, such as Dr. Jeff Proudfoot, one of two senior veterinarians at the Indianapolis Zoo, is similar to a family doctor. He makes house calls, performs outpatient surgeries and treats animals from birth to old age. Only his patients include iguanas, venomous snakes, elephants and sea lions.

Proudfoot, an Iowa State University alumnus, spoke to a small crowd in Franklin on Monday night as part of the Humane Society of Johnson County's monthly programs.

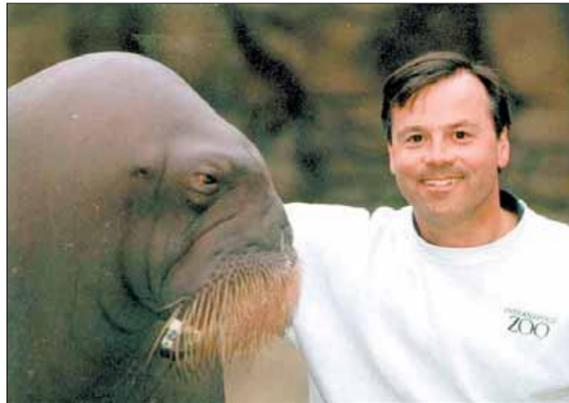
He explained that animal illness is similar to human illness.

When a Kodiak bear severely chipped a canine tooth, the Indianapolis Zoo called a local dentist to conduct a root canal.

An iguana with a broken leg was put in a cast just like a person would be.

And also like us, animals get stressed out, said Proudfoot, who worked as a zoo keeper before college.

A lemur, a furry cousin to the raccoon from Madagascar, Africa, recently came to Indianapolis from a different zoo.



Dr. Jeff Proudfoot, a veterinarian at the Indianapolis Zoo, stands with a walrus. Proudfoot gave a talk as part of a program by the Johnson County Humane Society on Monday. He has been at the zoo since 1993.

After days of isolation, the lemur was placed in a separate, fenced area next to the other lemurs. At first things appeared fine. The lemurs were socializing through the mesh. But the next morning veterinarians found open wounds on the arms and legs of the new lemur.

"We thought the lemurs were fighting through the mesh fence," Proudfoot said.

When he looked closer, Proudfoot saw that the lemur was self-mutilating.

The solution: an anti-anxiety medication.

At a different zoo, a polar bear was the first zoo animal to receive Prozac for severe pacing caused by anxiety.

Caring for animals isn't always as easy as caring for humans. With humans or small, domestic

animals, a doctor can control a patient by holding them down for a shot or the like. Try holding down an elephant or some of the 2,000 other creatures at the zoo.

So how do you perform a cesarean section on a 13-foot, pregnant anaconda?

Carefully, said Proudfoot, a former private practice veterinarian.

Here's how it works: trainers coax the snake into a holding bin. Then, one, two, three — several staff members jump on the anaconda and force her head-first into a large bucket. After taking the patient to the on-site hospital, the vet sedates the snake, removes her from the bucket, and anesthetizes her through a mask, just like a person would get during surgery.

Before any animal is treated at

the hospital, trainers must do tedious work.

You might get nervous before getting an X-ray, but imagine being a spooked giraffe having your joints X-rayed by a noisy machine in a room that is far from open grazing grounds.

Months of training is needed before animals are used to the machines, noises and the hospital environments, Proudfoot said.

The zoo's main goal is to entertain visitors.

Trainers, zoo keepers, a nutritionist, veterinarian technicians and two full-time veterinarians comprise part of the team that makes the animals healthy, happy and entertaining to visitors.

Proudfoot, who came to the Indianapolis Zoo in 1993, said the zoo has become more involved in research over the past years.

Between 1995 and 2000, Proudfoot explained, the Indianapolis dolphins were giving birth to stillborn calves.

After looking at similar cases at other zoos, veterinarians first decided that it was normal for dolphins to fail at their first few births.

But when the Indianapolis staff examined their dolphins closer and looked for a common denominator, they discovered the dolphins had thyroid problems that were causing the stillbirths.

Now, zoos across the nation look not only to the Indianapolis Zoo for dolphin research but also for iguana research and artificial insemination research, which are part of the Indianapolis Zoo's Conservation and Research Project initiatives.

Commissioners OK Lone Pine Farms

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Nearly 700 homes will be built in a new subdivision in the Center Grove area, but county officials hope to turn over the roads to Greenwood in the future.

Greenwood Mayor Charlie Henderson said he will take it.

Lone Pine Farms will add 557 homes, 124 townhomes and about 20 acres for businesses, such as a grocery store and restaurants, to the southeast corner of Smokey Row Road and State Road 135.

The homes will add more children to Center Grove schools and more traffic to State Road 135.

County officials hope that future repairs to the new subdivision roads won't take more money out of the county's pockets.

Commissioners approved the development Monday but said the vote was with the hope Greenwood would later annex the property.

The city plans to provide sewer service to the development, which makes a future annexation easier. A clause will be included in homeowners' agreements when they build their houses that says they

won't resist if the city decides to annex the neighborhood, commissioner R.J. McConnell said.

Greenwood officials have already discussed extending the city to reach Whiteland Road and State Road 135, which would include the development, Henderson said.

To annex a property, its borders must touch city limits.

This development is about two miles away from the current city limit, but city officials hope to annex the land between the city line and the Center Grove area neighborhood within five years, Henderson said.

The development would bring in nearly \$2 million a year in property taxes once it is fully built, which is expected to take about eight years, county planner Michele Canon said.

About 20 people came to the meeting to hear discussion about the homes and businesses, but no one spoke out against the development.

Commissioners approved the development 2-1.

Commissioner Tom Kite voted against the development, saying he didn't think the commissioners should decide that a development must be annexed.

BRIEFS

LOCAL

FRANKLIN

Safety inspections downtown spark curiosity

Fire engines and rescue trucks converged on downtown Franklin Tuesday afternoon.

But no fires, rescues or emergencies were under way.

The city's fire department conducted an annual inspection and training exercise in the county buildings, department spokesman Ed Daugherty said.

About six fire engines, ambulances and rescue units were parked around the courthouse square, along Jefferson Street and on the side of the courthouse.

The gathering stirred questions and caused some concerned or curious people to call the fire headquarters and ask what was happening, Daugherty said.

Firefighters and officials spent time with county maintenance staff walking through buildings, inspecting elevators and making sure the department had correct

keys to use in the case of any emergencies.

PRINCE'S LAKES

Emergency bridge repair to begin in 30 days

A bridge leading into Prince's Lakes needs to be fixed immediately because the guardrails could fall off, county officials said.

The bridge on Nineveh Road would be closed for about 60 days while workers replace it.

The work needs to be done immediately before a vehicle crashes off the side of the bridge, said Don Sanders, interim highway department director.

Plans are to start work in 30 days.

First, the county council needs to approve spending the money to fix the bridge, about \$80,000, and get the materials and workers to perform the project, Sanders said.

Motorists will likely take a detour through Camp Atterbury, a military base between Edinburg and Nineveh, to get around the construction, he said.

EDINBURGH

Boy Scouts cooking up breakfast Saturday

Want someone else to take care of breakfast Saturday?

Boy Scout Troop 209 is conducting a fund-raising breakfast from 7 to 11 a.m. Saturday at Edinburg

United Methodist Church, 107 W. Campbell St. Breakfast deliveries also will be available in the Edinburg and Camp Atterbury area. Meal prices are \$3 and \$5.

To order, call (812) 526-5840 from 7 to 11 a.m. Feb. 18. To leave orders on Feb. 17, call Karen White at (812) 526-6310.

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SUMMER CAMP

Tuesday, March 7th 2006

6:30 to 8:00 pm

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