

LONG BRANCH LOCAL

Information, Entertainment & Goin's On!



Linda Brown,
LBL's Intrepid
World Traveler,
on another jaunt,
just hanging
around on a zip
line in Cancun,
Mexico - not
even
screaming...
She's our hero of
the month!

Fall Edition!

Nothing like these crisp Fall days, eh? Especially after slogging through that brutal 90 degree heat and humidity. Kick back and enjoy, you deserve it! And be well my friends. Be well...

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Reminder!!



Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 AM Sunday, Nov 4th. Turn your clocks back before going to bed **Saturday night!**

Very Popular
attraction for
LBLers!



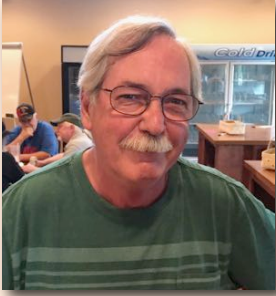


Board Talk!



On September 15, LBL held its second election for the POA Board of Directors.

Your New Board of Directors!



Jim Russell (Pres)



Kirk Primas (VP)



Sharon Jamison (Sec)



Bill Grimm



Celeste Aguado



Election Committee: Steve Cochell, Mike Casey, Christy Leveque



Johnny Driggers,
a proud walk in voter!



Let The Halloween Celebrations Begin!



How 'Bout We Start With A
Good Old Fashioned Pumpkin
Carving Contest!



These guys were really goin' at it! Pumpkin seeds were flyin' *everywhere*!!



Yeah Beth, now *that's* the way to carve a pumpkin!!



Behold The Final Products!



First Place: Bill (Ghoul) Brown and his Turkey Pumpkin!



Left to Right

2nd Place: Linda (Slasher) Brown - "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?"

4th Place: Donald (Bloodfeast) Ansley - "Hatchet Pumpkin"

3rd Place: Kathy (Crypt Keeper) Schoenig - "Cowgirl Pumpkin"



And A Bonfire To Top Off The Evening



There's just something magical about a starry night, warm fire, good food, music and great friends...





And Then There's the Schoenig's Annual Halloween Bash!!



Things That Went Bump In The Night!



The Players...



More Mayhem Mwa ha ha.....



Deb & Mike - best costumes



The host and hostess! As always - another raucous affair!





Auction Winners!



A great meal followed by a fundraiser auction was held at the General Store in September. One of the items on the auction block was a sumptuous four-course dinner for 4 provided by Lisa and Kirk Primas. The winning bidder was Cindy Pike who then invited Laura Kubica, Cindy Barrett and Deb Russell to share in the feast!



Cindy Pike – the big winner!



Obviously, a great time was had by all!



General Store News



In another "roll out event", a delicious Spaghetti dinner was provided and enjoyed by all!



The Providers - Bill, Kathy, Celeste, Donald and Laura over there!





Aleanto Wines!



If you didn't already know, LBL's very own Antonella and Alessandro Garassino are establishing a wine importing business with ties to over 20 Italian wineries. Their wines (under the label of Aleanto Wines) are already beginning to appear in area TN retailers. Pictured here is a wine tasting event held in Chattanooga where distributors sampled wines from various importers - including Aleanto!

Alessandro can be seen at the event explaining their wares.



Another Great Show At Nickel Row!



Carrie Hassler is Back!




If you've never been to a Nickel Row concert in beautiful downtown Pikeville, you're missing out. Great sound, intimate atmosphere, charming host and hostess and, of course, great music! Carrie is a world class country star who has toured with a variety of A list musicians and has also performed at the Grand Ol' Opry.

Nickel Row also hosts Rook Tournaments and has rental options for parties and private affairs.

Check out the latest LBL contingent to take in a show!



Carrie's son, Halen, (also a band member), seen here explaining one of his prized possessions to the LBL crew after the show. 

Ed. Note: Halen was actually named after the band "Van Halen" and Carrie said they studiously avoided naming their second son "Van" ... good call.



Horses, Cowpokes 'N Shootin'!



↓ Cowboy Action Shooting! ↓



Kathy & Bill Schoenig are heavily involved in the sport of "Cowboy Action Shooting". Their latest "Shoot" was held from Oct. 11-13th at the SASS TN State Action Shooting Championship in Normandy, TN. Kathy took 1st place in the TN State Ladies Senior Category, and Bill garnered an award in the Elder Statesman Duelist Category!

Congrats to Kathy, aka, "Garnet Gal" and to Bill, aka, "Scrub Oak Willie"!



The Canadians in True North Canadian Plaid!

Kathy Higgs and Debbie Tinmouth, and Debbie's niece, riding in the Hastings Highlands of Northern Ontario, located in the Algonquin Park Region which is Canada's oldest Provincial Park consisting of 1.8 million acres of wilderness. That's 1.8 million acres! Didn't see any bears, wolves or moose, but might have seen a Sasquatch track. Just sayin'.

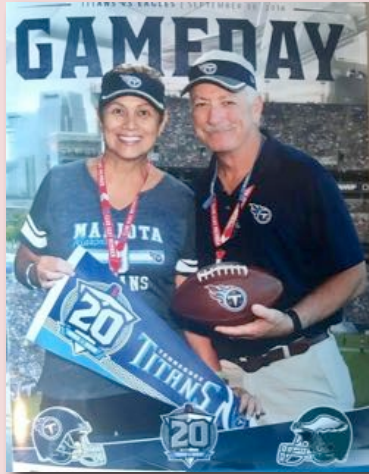


This And That

Our Diehard Sports Fanatics!

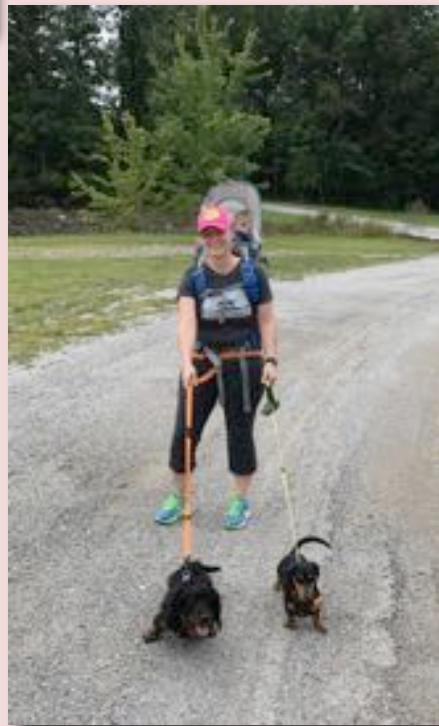


Uh...Yo Jim and Phil...
do your wives know about this?
Well they do now.



Kirk & Lisa - they made
it on the Jumbotron!

Ashley Bungard on a
morning walk with,
yep, two dogs and her
baby on her back. Now
that's dedication!



Two of the latest creations
from Deb Tinmouth,
our resident artist!





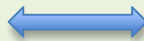
Community Involvement!



On September 27th, Long Branch residents prettied up and attended the 11th Annual Angels' Autumn Fest in beautiful McMinnville, TN in support of the Child Advocacy Center of the 31st Judicial District (CAC). More than 250 people enjoyed fabulous food, drink, entertainment and both silent and raucous live auctions to aid in the fight against child abuse and neglect in Warren and Van Buren counties.



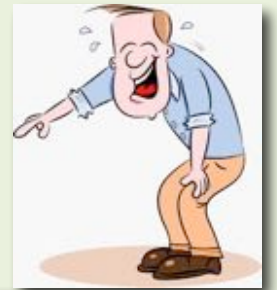
A few of the auction Items!



Through the local CAC, victims of severe child abuse receive services that include forensic interviewing, victim-family support and advocacy, investigative team case review, and counseling. During the 2016 - 2017 fiscal year, the CAC investigated nearly 600 reports of child maltreatment within Warren and Van Buren Counties and more than 190 children were classified with severe abuse allegations.



Just A Few Good Yuks



I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU



BUT THE BIRD FEEDER IS EMPTY



DONUTS.? WHAT DONUTS?



I'VE MADE A HUGE MISTAKE



WHEEL OF FORTUNE!

- "I'M NOT CHANGING THIS CHANNEL UNTIL I SEE THIS GUY ASK FOR AN 'I' "



Son

Dad

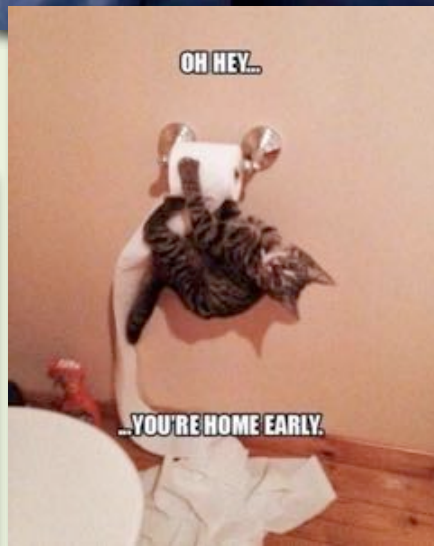
Generation Gap



MOM IS GOING TO BE SO HAPPY WHEN SHE SEES THE GAS TANK FULL



Old Himalayan cure for constipation



OH HEY...

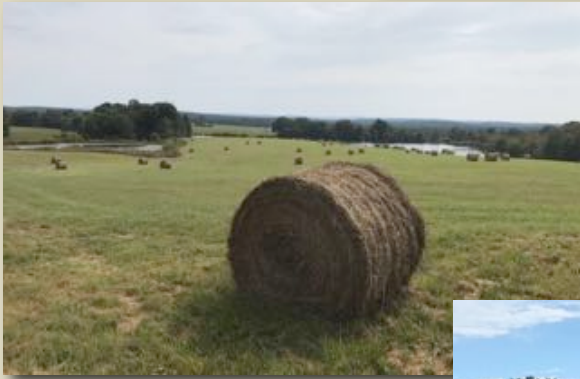
...YOU'RE HOME EARLY.



TELLING YOUR TWINS APART

LEVEL: EXPERT

Just Take a Moment To Appreciate The Beauty Of Long Branch Lakes



A Few Final Thoughts To Ponder

"Look again at that dot. That's here. That's home. That's us. On it everyone you love, everyone you know, everyone you ever heard of, every human being who ever was, lived out their lives. The aggregate of our joy and suffering, thousands of confident religions, ideologies, and economic doctrines, every hunter and forager, every hero and coward, every creator and destroyer of civilization, every king and peasant, every young couple in love, every mother and father, hopeful child, inventor and explorer, every teacher of morals, every corrupt politician, every "superstar," every "supreme leader," every saint and sinner in the history of our species lived there - on a mote of dust suspended in a sunbeam."

- Carl Sagan, 1934-1996

You are here

The Earth as imaged from the the Voyager 1 spacecraft, as it exited the solar system in 1990. Earth is nearly 4 billion miles away in this image.

There Are 285 Galaxies For Every Person On Earth



The Observable Universe Is 93 Billion Light Years In Diameter



There Are More Stars In The Universe Than Grains Of Sand On Earth



Note Regarding Vendor Recommendations

Editor's Note: A useful newsletter section about which many have positively commented is the Vendor Recommendation section that follows. Every month, new recommendations come in and the list continues to grow and be utilized by property owners for a variety of needs. It is the intent to maintain the complete list of all recommendations, including older ones, even though the list has expanded to a multi-page newsletter section. Be assured that each recommendation comes from a property owner who has utilized the service and confidently recommends the vendor, providing a comprehensive selection of service alternatives from which to choose.

Magic Jack

- Internet Telephone System. Connects to your router
- Connects to your computer when on the road
- Local and long distance calls including Mexico and Canada. International calls are extra (and cheap)
- Caller ID
- Welcome message.
- Voice Mail - Picked up by Magic Jack AND sent to your Email
- Phone directory.
- Logs all Incoming and Outgoing calls
- Call Forward.
- Free phone numbers.
- Connects to your wireless home phone
- **\$35.00 per YEAR** including hardware. Easy to install (plug and play).
- I will be happy to give anyone a demonstration



Dave Dresner (I am not a dealer, Just an enthusiastic user!)



We would like to recommend Clarence Roberts Trucking, Sparta, 931-607-4607 for small loads of hauling rock, lime, sand, etc. He did a great job and was extremely reasonable in pricing. Ruby Cash



Dennis Smith Critter Removal!

Plagued by squirrel, groundhog, mice infestations? Call : 931-528-1771



And Here Continues The Recommended Vendor List!



Closets by Design.

They did all the cabinets, tables and desks in my sewing room. The designer and installer did a great job-- they were on time, and the products are wonderful.

Tatia Caruana, the contact, can be reached at:

[615-261-8700](tel:615-261-8700)



Flashpoint Tactical Solutions Shooting Range.

They provide a shooting range and firearms training, including concealed carry classes. They are located between Sparta and Crossville.

Mark, the owner, can be reached at:

[844-290-6500](tel:844-290-6500)

Lou Toscano is in charge of the crew that is cleaning up the island areas where the roads split here at LBL along Long Branch Road. He does an awesome job. Gene Jamison recommends him highly. If you have tree debris that needs to be removed and you are interested in having someone help with that cleanup, consider Lou Toscano. Lou's company is called

Silver Star

You can contact him at [931-510-2074](tel:931-510-2074)



More!



We needed tile work done to the shower in the master bath which consisted of replacing all the floor tiles, repairing the membrane, adding waterproofing goop, etc. We tried calling at least four tile workers and true to form none returned calls.

Finally, we located one from Knoxville who returned our call, and answered our text messages and emails. He arrived here (with his wife/helper) on the scheduled date and time and put in a full days

work. The next day he followed up with a phone call to make sure everything was OK.

Highly Recommended by David and Suzanne

Stokley's Tile Installation

859-213-7831

865-292-1874

Thomas88Stokley@gmail.com



Company: 2 B Mowing. Cell **423-881-5213**. Owners are Dean and Dwayne. They are nearby as they live on Old Mooneyham at the place with all the cars parked out front.

Merlin recommended him to me and this is the second time I've used him. He has tuned up my chain-saw and weed whacker and they have never run better. This time, he did a full service on my zero-turn and our walk-behind. The work included the required two transmissions service. His prices are reasonable and are a lot lower than the place where I bought the equipment. He does an excellent job repairing equipment.

In addition, they have a full service mowing business and also do tree trimming and tree removal. Individual homeowners or property owners can call them for bid prices (Don Saunders)



Vendor Recommendations Revisited (print and save!)



Carpenter - Rough and finished work. Excellent worker, starts early (8:00AM) and puts in a full day. Did the entire inside of the home of David and Suzanne and added a lean-to to the side of their shed plus built a covered patio with a tin roof, floor and rails.

Call Tim 423-949-7729 (H), 423-635-3978

Firewood! Red Oak, 14 inch pieces. \$45 per rick. Call Peanut's @ 931-337-5692

Spencer Mountain Propane: 931-946-7525. Last fill up was \$1.69 / gal (Driver's name is Kenny)

Complete Plumbing - Charles Pursley: 423-554-3619/423827-8687 recommended plumber. We had him come and take out a water softener and 2 reverse osmosis systems and install a whole house water treatment system. Took him and his helper only 2 hours to do everything, left the job sites clean, and was very professional in every way. Total cost including parts was under \$300, Hiller had given us an estimate 5 times as much. (Tom Clark)

Debord and Son Construction and Trucking: 7921 Griffith Rd, Pikeville, 37367
Roy Jr. Cell: 423 618 4070 // Roy Sr. Cell: 423 802 4194. // Home: 423 881 3422
E mail: roydebord73@icloud.com

Window Cleaning: Sparkle Window Cleaning, Sparta, TN (Greg & Kathy VanLandingham)
1-931-738-7545 Outstanding work - will provide a cost estimate for all jobs.

Smalling Lawn Care - Corey Smalling, Owner / Operator (Tom Clark)
615-692-2728 coreysmalling@yahoo.com "No job too big or small, we do it all!"

Chris Eikel - Southeast Heating & Air (For all HVAC Problems! (Jim Russell)
Great Service, reasonable prices southeasthvac@gmail.com - 423-521-5383

Chimney Sweep: Smart Fireplace Services <http://smartfireplacestn.com/>
3647 Roberts Matthews Hwy Sparta, TN 931-739-3600

Dunlap Chiropractic & Wellness: Dr. Don Brennan, Chiropractic Physician: This office comes highly recommended from several LBL residents who have been extremely satisfied with the service. 318 State Route 8, Dunlap, 37327 423-949-3900

Richard Wright - Pioneer Construction - 259 Pioneer Lane, Spencer (931-349-9660) Land Clearing, Retaining Walls, Drive Ways, Ponds, House Pads, Basements, Masonry, Concrete Work, Underground Utility. No job too small.