



Photo by Patty Blackburn

Those who responded to the Lambert's 911 call on July 5th: Kenny Campbell, Wayne Blackwell, and Matt Fatarelli with the Lewisburg Fire Dept.; Emma Self and Paul Magee, Marshall County EMS; Monika, Mavry, Marzly and Vance Lambert; Robert Gurley, Dustin Turner, Lt. Kevin Patin, and Chief of Police-Scott Braden, with the Lewisburg Police Dept.

Quick Delivery

By **Patty Tucker Blackburn**

Monika and Vance Lambert would like to publicly thank the Lewisburg Fire Dept, Marshall County EMS, and Lewisburg Police Dept. for responding to their 911 call made on July 5th. The Lamberts also wish to send a special thanks to the 911 dispatcher, Julia Batte, for dispatching the departments to their rescue.

The morning of July 5th was an ordinary one, but Monika was more tired than usual. The day before, she, her husband, Vance and three year old son, Marzly, watched the 4th of July parade as well as fireworks, so she figured she was outside in the heat and on her feet more than usual. She experienced several contractions, but they weren't painful, so decided they were only Braxton Hicks.

But the contractions were becoming more frequent so the decision was made to head toward the hospital. As soon as she sat down in the car, she had another contraction and then knew the baby was making his way in to the world - and soon! Vance drove out of the driveway and in a few minutes Monika told him to pull over. "I didn't realize that she was in actual labor. I thought she needed to adjust her seatbelt," Vance said. He stopped at Marshall County Plaza where Dirt Cheap is located. Within seconds, Monika went into labor. Vance quickly called 911 while Marzly, who was in the back seat, kept saying, "It's okay." Marzly stayed calm throughout the entire delivery. He even yelled, "catch the baby!"

When Patrolman Robert Gurley arrived on the scene, Monika had the

baby on her chest. Vance was so glad to see him and the others who responded to the call. They arrived in seconds from the time he made the 911 call - that's how fast the actual delivery was.

"It happened so fast," Monika said. "I had no pain during labor and I could not have asked for a simpler birth. I never had one day of morning sickness with this pregnancy, nor did I with my first pregnancy and the labor with Marzly was also very fast and easy."

Emma Self and Paul Magee took Monika to the hospital. Baby Mavry weighed 8 pounds, 9.7 ounces and 21 inches in length. Both mom and baby were in excellent condition.

Mavry Jule Lambert has a Lewisburg address on his birth certificate which seldom occurs because Mar-

shall Medical Center doesn't have a Labor & Delivery unit. The majority of newborns that reside in Lewisburg are delivered in nearby hospitals and have an address where the hospital is located.

Monika is home with her family, enjoying her new baby boy. Soon she will return to work. She is a music teacher at West Harpeth Christian School in Franklin, and also teaches creative writing and computer science. Vance is a photographer and I'm sure he has made quite a few photos of Marzley holding his baby brother.

Everyone was glad that this natural birth turned out safely and mom and baby are healthy. Monika and Vance can look back on this and tell Mavry how special his delivery was and how much everyone cared for his well being.

LWW defends sewage suit

By **Scott Pearson**
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Lewisburg Water and Wastewater is seeking to set the record straight after the recent filing of a lawsuit in federal court claiming that the utility has violated the Clean Water Act and the requirements of its discharge permit.

The citizen suit, filed in the Middle District of Tennessee Court in Columbia by Tennessee Riverkeeper, claims 156 incidents of prohibited overflows from the system over the past five years releasing more than 240 million gallons of "untreated sewage" into the environment, impacting Big Rock Creek.

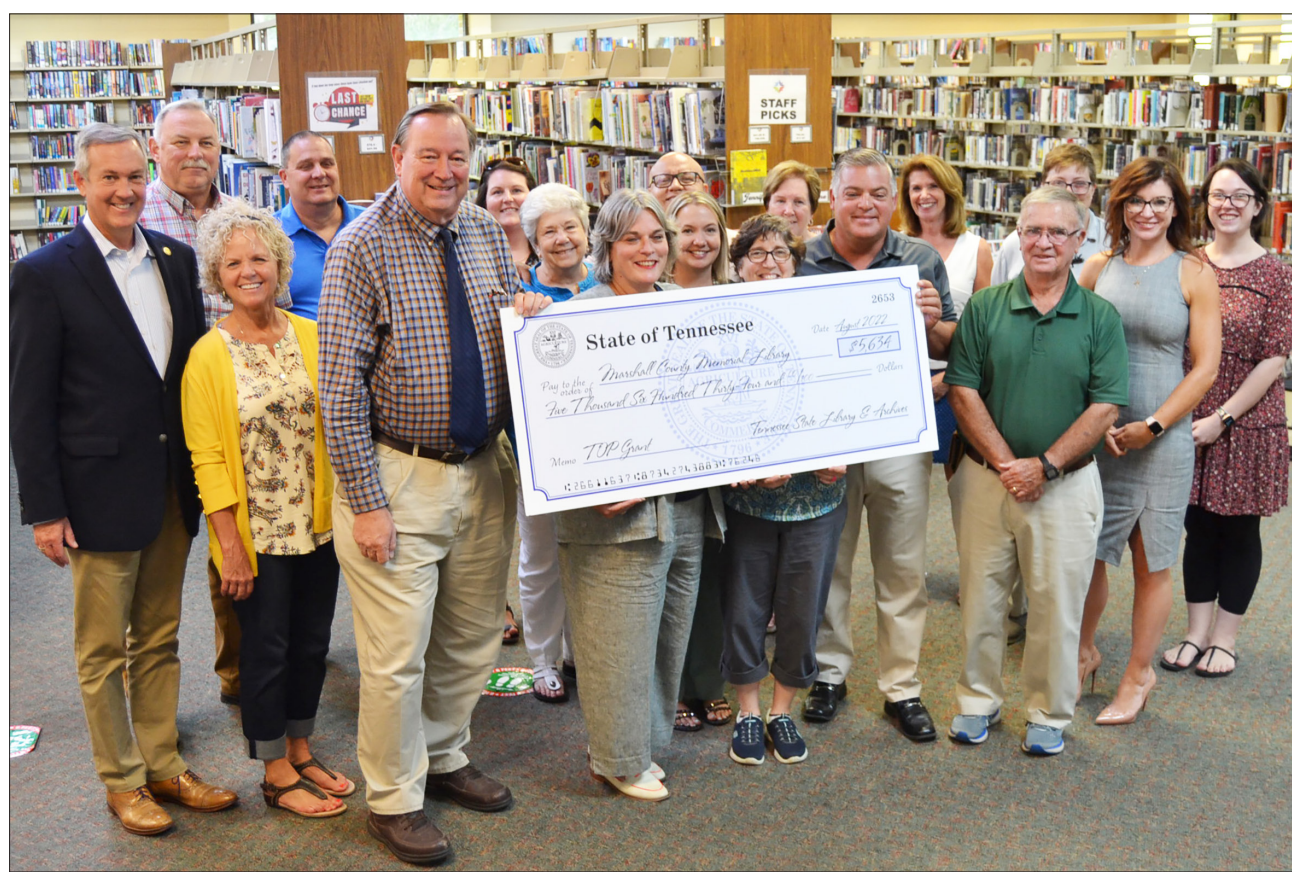
LWW General Manager Trigg Cathey was unable to comment on the specifics of the complaint due to the pending suit, although he emphatically addressed one insinuation contained in the complaint.

"I am happy to tell you that in the seven years I have been here, and long before, Lewisburg Water and Wastewater has not released untreated sewage from the wastewater treatment plant into the creek," said Cathey in a written statement to the Tribune.

The violations listed cover 15 gallon residential incidents to a claimed 110 million gallon event in February, 2019.

Almost 90 percent of the alleged overflow, 220 million gallons, claimed in the complaint as untreated sewage, are categorized as "swirl" events. "Swirl" is an EPA approved treatment method when severe rain events overload a system's capacity for the full treatment process.

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Celebrating grants with a big check

Tennessee Secretary of State Tre Hargett (left) stopped off at the Marshall County Memorial Library on Monday afternoon to deliver a presentation check to the staff.

Hargett's office oversees the State Library and Archives

and administers federal funds passed through to the local level. This TOP grant funding is earmarked for public training opportunities.

While MCML receives some annual grant funding from the federal level, the overwhelming

source of funding comes from the local level.

Joining Hargett are County Mayor Mike Keny, State Rep. Todd Warner, members of the Library Board and Library Foundation Board, and library staff.

