

# SPOTLIGHT

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## ETC EMPLOYEES GET FIT

In an effort to promote personal health, ETC gifted each employee a FitBit wristband this past Christmas. The FitBits work like pedometers, recording an individual's step counts. Employees have had fun participating in various team competitions for the most steps. Congratulations to the winners of the very first step competition held from January 25th through January 29th. That team included Captain Sara Teichman, Jody Bruns, Donnie Henry, John Loichinger, and Lisa Maze. They collectively logged 311,297 steps to take home the first bragging rights. While other competitions have been held since that time, this team goes down in ETC history as the winners of the inaugural challenge.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to ETC's Construction Department, the 2015 Department of the Year as voted on by ETC employees. Our Construction Department was busy in 2015 with various projects helping to bring fiber services to new areas throughout Southeastern Indiana.

Congrats to Adam Weberding, Brad Fox, Brian Kruthaupt, Chris Hughes, Doug Bergman, Donnie Henry, Dustin Nobbe, Ellen Beiersdorfer and Rick Enneking!

## VACATION RATES

Traveling for an extended period this summer? If you'll be gone for more than a month, you may want to consider ETC's vacation rate plans. Just call our office at 866-ETC-4YOU to learn more. And don't forget, if you are gone for an extended period—or even for the day—ETC's Security Monitoring services are here to protect your home and give you peace of mind while you're away for any length of time.

ETC employees participated in the March 6th Bowl For Kids' Sake in Decatur County. *Team members included: Matt Anderson, Natasha Bischoff, Lori Feldbauer, Doug Foster, Abby Gunter, Jenni Hanna, Matt Harmeyer, Elizabeth Rosenberger, Gary Schutte and Julie Schutte.*





## ETC EMPLOYEE AMONG THOSE STRANDED ON PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE

The January snowstorm that left hundreds of travelers stranded on the Pennsylvania Turnpike included about 100 students and adults from Southeastern Indiana. The group was returning from the annual anti-abortion March for Life in Washington D.C. when their bus became snowbound the evening of January 22nd. Among the group was ETC's Vice President of ETC Sports Network, Mike Fledderman.

Mike attended the March for Life representing St. Nicholas Parish in Sunman. In total, he and his bus mates were stranded for 23 hours on the turnpike, surrounded by about 500 other vehicles and 30" of snow.

The group's saga began when they boarded their bus about 3pm on Friday, January 22nd, ready to make the return trip home following a successful March for Life. Roads were just beginning to get snow covered. Their bus stopped for dinner later that evening, then returned to the route only to be stopped about 60 miles outside of Pittsburgh where they would remain, frozen in traffic, for the next 23 hours.

As the reality of their circumstances sank in, the group made the best of their snowbound situation. They shared in stories, card games and music aboard their bus, while enjoying a snow ball fight or two along the interstate. For Fledderman, the toughest part of the ordeal was actually how difficult it was to sleep and the lack of coffee.

Despite the challenges that Mother Nature threw their way, the bus eventually arrived safely back to St. Nicholas Parish by about 6:40am on Sunday, January 24th. For Fledderman, the first thing he did when he finally reached his home was to grab a cup of joe, then head to bed.

Regardless of the travel challenges, the true meaning of the adventure wasn't lost on Mike or the rest of the pilgrims on the trip. The March itself was a moving and emotional event. "It was a surreal experience to march with 500,000 people around the US Capital," Fledderman noted.

## CURIOSITY CORNER

Please write your answers on a small piece of paper. Incomplete entries will not be counted, so be sure to include your name, address and phone number. Mail your entry with your remittance statement (bill) to ETC, Attention: Sarah Wells at P.O. Box 145, Sunman, IN 47041. You can also log onto [etczone.com](http://etczone.com) and click on the Spotlight Newsletter link at the bottom of any page to answer online.

**Q 1 True or False:**  
Mike Fledderman was stranded for 16 hours on the Pennsylvania Turnpike.  
A. True B. False

**Q 2** How long must you be away from home to qualify for our Vacation Rates?  
A. 2 weeks B. 1 month C. 2 months

Entries must be received by April 29, 2016.  
Limit one entry per household.

## Last Issue's Answers:

**Q 1 True or False:**  
This is the 5th year ETC has had a Photo Contest for our Regional Directory.  
B. False

**Q 2** How many years has Kevin McGuire worked at ETC?  
B. 5

There were **79** combined entries from our Sunman, Greensburg, Batesville, Brookville and Liberty offices. Due to the company's growth, two winners from all entries will be awarded a \$20 bill credit. This issue's winners are **Tara Moorman** and **Ted Ruess**.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## HOLIDAYS & HAPPENINGS

**Monday, May 30th - Memorial Day -- CLOSED**  
Regular business hours will resume the following business day.

