DECEMBER 22, 2004 WINTER STORM

...Record snowfall up to two feet paralyzed much of the region...

- Evansville 22.3 inches (19.3" on Dec. 22 and 3.0" on Dec. 23). This storm set a new 24-hour snowfall record, and made this the second snowiest December for Evansville.
- Paducah 14.2 inches. This storm set a new 24-hour snowfall record, and made this the snowiest December for Paducah.

This winter storm was accompanied by gusty north winds that produced drifts up to 5 feet deep. Many roads were closed or impassable. Interstate 64 in southwest Indiana was closed for about three days due to extensive drifting. On Interstate 24 in western Kentucky, a 29-mile long traffic jam formed from Trigg County into Lyon County. An estimated 1,000 people were stranded in their vehicles overnight. The National Guard was mobilized for both the Interstate 64 and Interstate 24 incidents. Traffic was reported stopped on other interstates as well, including the interchange of Interstates 55 and 57 in southeast Missouri. Record cold low followed the snow, with temperatures as low as 10 below on Christmas morning.

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE PADUCAH KY
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...UNOFFICIAL SNOWFALL TOTAL REPORTS...

DUE TO THE BLOWING AND DRIFTING SNOW...THESE SNOWFALL TOTALS ARE ESTIMATES. ACTUAL AMOUNTS MAY VARY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTIES LISTED.

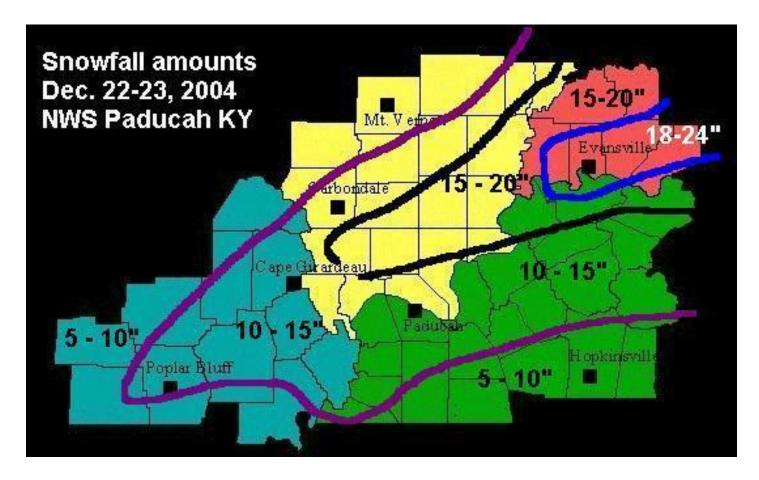
SOUTHEAST MISSOURI...

CARTER COUNTY6-7 INCHES
RIPLEY COUNTY6-10 INCHES
WAYNE COUNTY8 TO 10 INCHES
BUTLER COUNTY10 TO 11 INCHES
BOLLINGER COUNTY10 INCHES
CAPE GIRARDEAU COUNTY12 TO 14 INCHES
PERRY COUNTY6 TO 8 INCHES
MISSISSIPPI COUNTY12 TO 13 INCHES
SCOTT COUNTY12 INCHES
STODDARD COUNTY
NEW MADRID COUNTY5 TO 6 INCHES

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS...

PERRY COUNTY	6 I	0.1	LO :	INCHES
JACKSON COUNTY	13	INC	CHES	5
UNION COUNTY	15	TO	16	INCHES
FRANKLIN COUNTY	14	INC	CHES	5
WILLIAMSON COUNTY	16	TO	18	INCHES
JOHNSON COUNTY	14	TO	18	INCHES
SALINE COUNTY	18	TO	20	INCHES
GALLATIN COUNTY	1 4	ТΟ	18	INCHES

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH WISHES TO THANK ALL OF THE SPOTTERS...COOPERATIVE OBSERVERS...LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE PROVIDED TIMELY SNOWFALL REPORTS.



The above snowfall map depicts estimated average accumulations.

Snow drifts ranged from 3 to 5 feet across much of the area that received from 10 to 24 inches.

...FACTS AND FIGURES ON THIS RECENT COLD AND SNOW...

OUR RECENT BOUT WITH OLD MAN WINTER HAS SET A NUMBER OF RECORDS. ALONG THE AXIS OF HEAVIEST SNOW...WHICH WAS ROUGHLY ALONG THE OHIO RIVER...THIS WAS UNPRECEDENTED FOR A SINGLE EVENT. THE 22.3 INCH TOTAL MEASURED AT EVANSVILLE ECLIPSED ALL RECORDS FOR A SINGLE STORM TOTAL. THE SNOW WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THUNDER AT TIMES IN THE EVANSVILLE AREA...WHICH CONTRIBUTED TO ISOLATED HIGHER TOTALS. HERE ARE SOME FACTS THAT PUT THIS SNOWSTORM IN PERSPECTIVE...

THE EVANSVILLE SNOW TOTAL OF 22.3 INCHES...

- ...WAS ABOUT ONE AND A HALF TIMES THE AVERAGE SEASONAL SNOWFALL OF $14.2\ \mathrm{INCHES}$.
- ...BROUGHT THE MONTHLY SNOWFALL TO THE HIGHEST FOR ANY DECEMBER SINCE 1917 AND THE SECOND HIGHEST FOR ANY DECEMBER ON RECORD BACK TO 1897.
- ...MADE THIS MONTH THE THIRD SNOWLEST MONTH ON RECORD. ONLY JANUARY OF 1918 /41 INCHES/ AND DECEMBER OF 1917 /25.1 INCHES/ WERE SNOWLER. JANUARY OF 1977 WAS CLOSE...WITH 21.3 INCHES.
- ...MADE THIS THE WHITEST CHRISTMAS IN AVAILABLE RECORDS /SINCE 1948/. THE SNOW DEPTH THIS CHRISTMAS MORNING WAS 11 INCHES.

THE PADUCAH SNOW TOTAL OF 14.2 INCHES...

- ...WAS THE HIGHEST SINGLE EVENT TOTAL ON RECORD...SURPASSING THE 12.2 INCH TOTAL IN A JANUARY 1978 STORM.
- ... EXCEEDED THE AVERAGE SEASONAL SNOWFALL OF 10.2 INCHES.
- ...MADE THIS THE SNOWIEST DECEMBER ON RECORD.
- ...MADE THIS MONTH THE SNOWIEST SINCE FEBRUARY OF 1993...WHEN TWO SEPARATE 7 TO 8 INCH SNOWFALLS OCCURRED ON THE 15TH AND 25TH.
- ...COINCIDED WITH THE MEDIAN DATE /DECEMBER 22/ OF THE FIRST MEASURABLE SNOW AT PADUCAH.

EXTREME COLD FOLLOWED THE SNOW...WITH RECORD LOWS ON CHRISTMAS MORNING AT BOTH PADUCAH AND EVANSVILLE. THE LOW AT EVANSVILLE WAS MINUS 11...AND AT PADUCAH MINUS 8.

THE LOW OF MINUS 11 AT EVANSVILLE...

- ...FELL 4 DEGREES SHY OF THE COLDEST TEMPERATURE FOR ANY DAY IN DECEMBER...WHICH OCCURRED ON DEC. 22 1989.
- ...WAS THE COLDEST TEMPERATURE SINCE JANUARY 19 1994...WHEN THE LOW WAS MINUS 17.

THE LOW OF MINUS 8 AT PADUCAH...

- ...FELL TWO DEGREES SHY OF THE COLDEST TEMPERATURE FOR ANY DAY IN DECEMBER...WHICH OCCURRED ON DEC. 22 1989.
- ...WAS THE COLDEST TEMPERATURE SINCE JANUARY 19 1994...WHEN THE LOW WAS MINUS 13.

PICTURES:



Photo of State Route 168 about two miles west of Fort Branch, IN, where 20 inches of snow fell. Drifts were up to 5 feet. Photo courtesy of Charlie Kiesel.

Truck traffic stopped on ramp at the Interstate 24 and Purchase Parkway interchange in western KY. Courtesy of Rick Shanklin.





Collapsed greenhouses just off Interstate 24 in Paducah. Courtesy of Beau Dodson.



Car lot in Paducah, KY, courtesy of Beau Dodson.



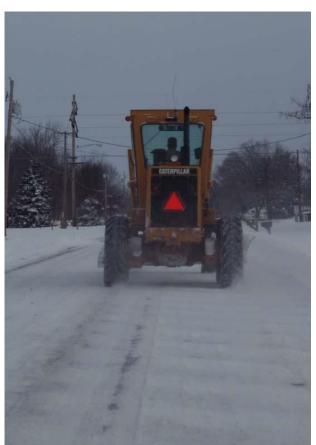
Back yard photo taken near Paducah, KY. Courtesy of Christine Wielgos.



Heavy snow scene in Grayville, IL. Courtesy of Norm Bredenkamp.



Car buried in a snowdrift in Paducah, KY. Courtesy of Beau Dodson



Snow removal operations in Metropolis, IL.

Courtesy of Beau Dodson.



Collapsed section of roof of a furniture store in Paducah, caused by the heavy snow.
Courtesy of Beau Dodson.

Photo taken near Joppa, IL, where F-4 tornado occurred in May, 2003. Courtesy of Gail Stubblefield.





Photo taken near Paducah, KY courtesy of Iris Garrott.



One of many vehicles that were abandoned in ditches. Photo taken in Massac County, IL, courtesy of Beau Dodson.

ALL OF THE WATCHES AND WARNINGS...

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.A STRONG STORM SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO DEVELOP ALONG THE GULF COAST TUESDAY NIGHT. THIS SYSTEM IS FORECAST TO MOVE NORTHEAST INTO SOUTHERN OHIO BY THURSDAY MORNING. ABUNDANT MOISTURE WILL PUSH INTO THE REGION BY LATE TUESDAY NIGHT. AT THE SAME TIME...COLD AIR WILL BE MOVING INTO THE REGION. THIS COMBINATION WILL SET THE STAGE FOR A MAJOR WINTER STORM IN THE QUAD STATE AREA.

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PADUCAH...OWENSBORO...MURRAY...MAYFIELD...HOPKINSVILLE...
EVANSVILLE...MADISONVILLE AND HENDERSON
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...**WINTER STORM WATCH** IN EFFECT FROM LATE TUESDAY NIGHT THROUGH THURSDAY MORNING...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH KENTUCKY HAS ISSUED A WINTER STORM WATCH FOR ALL OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI...SOUTHERN ILLINOIS...WESTERN KENTUCKY AND SOUTHWEST INDIANA.

PRECIPITATION SHOULD START OFF AS A MIXTURE OF RAIN AND SNOW OVER MOST OF THE REGION TUESDAY NIGHT WITH SNOW IN THE CARBONDALE...MOUNT VERNON ILLINOIS AREA...AND RAIN IN THE HOPKINSVILLE AREA. BY WEDNESDAY MORNING...HEAVY SNOW IS EXPECTED TO BE FALLING OVER MOST OF THE REGION. THE EXCEPTION SHOULD BE SOUTH OF A MAYFIELD KENTUCKY TO CALHOUN KENTUCKY LINE...WHERE SLEET...SNOW AND RAIN ARE POSSIBLE.

THE PRECIPITATION...HEAVY AT TIMES...WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE DAY ON WEDNESDAY. SIGNIFICANT SNOWFALL ACCUMULATIONS...OVER 8 INCHES IN SOME AREAS...WILL MAKE TRAVEL HAZARDOUS IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE. WINDS OF 10 TO 20 MPH WILL CREATE BLOWING AND DRIFTING CONDITIONS.

THE MOST LIKELY AREA TO RECEIVE THE HEAVY SNOWFALL IS ALONG A LINE

FROM SIKESTON MISSOURI TO EVANSVILLE INDIANA. THIS INCLUDES THE CITIES OF POPLAR BLUFF...CAPE GIRARDEAU...PADUCAH...HARRISBURG...AND HENDERSON.

A WINTER STORM WATCH IS ISSUED WHEN SEVERE WINTER WEATHER IS POSSIBLE...BUT NOT IMMINENT. AT THIS TIME...THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR SIGNIFICANT SNOW AND/OR ICE ACCUMULATIONS. FUTURE DRIVING AND WALKING CONDITIONS MAY BECOME HAZARDOUS...SO IT IS IMPORTANT TO MONITOR THE LATEST FORECASTS.

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LOW PRESSURE WILL DEVELOP OVER NORTHEAST TEXAS TODAY...AND MOVE EAST ACROSS THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY AND GULF COAST STATES TONIGHT AND WEDNESDAY. MEANWHILE...AN ARCTIC COLD FRONT WILL MOVE SOUTH ACROSS THE REGION LATE TONIGHT AND EARLY WEDNESDAY. INCREASING GULF MOISTURE COMBINED WITH THE COLD ARCTIC AIR...WILL SET THE STAGE FOR A SIGNIFICANT WINTER STORM ACROSS THE FOUR STATE AREA. HEAVY SNOW AND POSSIBLY SLEET ARE EXPECTED. ANY CHANGE IN THE STORM'S PATH COULD HAVE A MAJOR INFLUENCE ON THE HEAVY SNOW TRACK...PRECIPITATION TYPE...AND AMOUNTS.

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CAPE GIRARDEAU...HENDERSON...EVANSVILLE...HERRIN...HARRISBURG...
CARMI...CARBONDALE...CAIRO...MAYFIELD AND HERRIN JUNCTION
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...WINTER STORM WATCH IN EFFECT FROM LATE TONIGHT TO LATE WEDNESDAY NIGHT...

SNOW ACCUMULATIONS FROM 5 TO 9 INCHES ARE FORECAST ACROSS MUCH OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI...SOUTHERN ILLINOIS...SOUTHWEST INDIANA AND NORTHWEST KENTUCKY LATE TONIGHT AND WEDNESDAY. SNOW IS FORECAST TO DEVELOP TONIGHT...AND INCREASE IN INTENSITY BY DAYBREAK WEDNESDAY. THE SNOW WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE DAY WEDNESDAY...AND THEN TAPER OFF BY LATE AFTERNOON OR EARLY EVENING. TRAVEL CONDITIONS WILL DETERIORATE QUICKLY TONIGHT...AND REMAIN TREACHEROUS THROUGHOUT THE DAY WEDNESDAY.

STAY TUNED TO NOAA ALL HAZARDS RADIO...OR COMMERCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS WINTER WEATHER SITUATION.

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MADISONVILLE...HOPKINSVILLE...HENDERSON MOUND AND WEST PADUCAH
336 AM CST TUE DEC 21 2004

...**WINTER STORM WATCH** IN EFFECT FROM WEDNESDAY MORNING TO LATE WEDNES DAY NIGHT...

SNOW ACCUMULATIONS FROM 2 TO 6 INCHES ARE FORECAST ACROSS MUCH OF WESTERN KENTUCKY...AND A SMALL PART OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI ON WEDNESDAY. A SWATH OF 3 TO 6 INCHES WILL BE POSSIBLE FROM PADUCAH TO OWENSBORO. SLIGHTLY LESSER AMOUNTS ARE EXPECTED FROM MAYFIELD AND MURRAY...OVER TO HOPKINSVILLE...WHERE 1 TO 3 INCHES OF SNOW IS EXPECTED. THERE MAY BE SOME ACCUMULATION OF SLEET ACROSS THE REGION AS WELL...ESPECIALLY IN THE PENNYRILE REGION OF WEST KENTUCKY...AND ALONG THE KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE STATE LINE.

A MIX OF RAIN...SNOW OR SLEET EARLY WEDNESDAY MORNING SHOULD CHANGE TO ALL SNOW...AND INCREASE IN INTENSITY DURING THE MORNING HOURS WEDNESDAY. THE SNOW WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE AFTERNOON...AND THEN TAPER OFF WEDNESDAY EVENING. TRAVEL CONDITIONS WILL DETERIORATE QUICKLY WEDNESDAY MORNING...AND REMAIN TREACHEROUS THROUGH WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

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PADUCAH...OWENSBORO...MAYFIELD...EVANSVILLE...
MADISONVILLE AND HENDERSON
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...**WINTER STORM WARNING** IN EFFECT FROM MIDNIGHT (1 AM EST) WEDNESDAY TO 6 AM CST (7 AM EST) THURSDAY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH KY HAS ISSUED A WINTER STORM WARNING.

RAIN WILL SPREAD NORTHWARD ACROSS THE AREA THIS EVENING...REACHING PADUCAH EARLY THIS EVENING...AND EVANSVILLE AROUND MIDNIGHT. AREAS NORTH OF THE OHIO RIVER WILL HAVE ONLY A BRIEF PERIOD OF RAIN BEFORE THE PRECIPITATION CHANGES OVER TO SNOW. ALONG AND SOUTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...THE RAIN IS EXPECTED TO BECOME A WINTRY MIXTURE AFTER MIDNIGHT...THEN CHANGE OVER TO ALL SNOW AROUND SUNRISE.

TOTAL SNOWFALL AMOUNTS EXPECTED INCLUDE 4 TO 8 INCHES OVER MOST AREAS NORTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...WITH A SWATH OF 6 TO 10 INCHES EXTENDING FROM JOHNSON COUNTY IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS NORTHEAST TO EVANSVILLE AND PIKE COUNTY INDIANA. SOUTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...EXPECT 3 TO 6 INCHES OF SNOW ON TOP OF A LAYER OF ICE.

IN ADDITION...NORTH WINDS OF 10 TO 20 MPH WILL CAUSE BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF SNOW WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

THE AMOUNTS FORECASTED ARE AVERAGES...ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS ARE LIKELY.

A WINTER STORM WARNING IS ISSUED WHEN SEVERE WINTER WEATHER IS EXPECTED TO OCCUR. HEAVY SNOW AND ICE ARE FORECAST TO ACCUMULATE IN THE AFFECTED AREAS CAUSING HAZARDOUS DRIVING CONDITIONS. THOSE WITH TRAVEL PLANS IN THE WARNING AREA ARE ADVISED TO CHOOSE AN ALTERNATE ROUTE, OR SHOULD USE EXTREME CAUTION IF TRAVEL IS UNAVOIDABLE.

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...**WINTER STORM WARNING** IN EFFECT FROM 6 AM WEDNESDAY TO 6 AM CST THURSDAY...

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PADUCAH KY HAS ISSUED A WINTER STORM WARNING.

ALTHOUGH RAIN WILL BEGIN LATE THIS AFTERNOON...FREEZING TEMPERATURES ARE NOT EXPECTED UNTIL AFTER SUNRISE ON WEDNESDAY. DURING MOST OF THE DAY WEDNESDAY...FREEZING RAIN AND SLEET IS EXPECTED WITH SIGNIFICANT ICE ACCUMULATIONS. THE PRECIPITATION WILL CHANGE OVER TO SNOW LATER IN THE AFTERNOON AND 2 TO 4 INCHES OF SNOW MAY ACCUMULATE ON TOP OF THE ICE.

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RAIN WILL CONTINUE TO SPREAD NORTHWARD ACROSS THE AREA OVERNIGHT. THE RAIN WILL CHANGE OVER TO SNOW LATE TONIGHT AS TEMPERATURES DROP. THERE MAY BE A BRIEF PERIOD OF SLEET OR WINTRY MIXTURE BEFORE THE RAIN FULLY CHANGES OVER TO SNOW BY SUNRISE...AND SNOW WILL THEN CONTINUE OFF AND ON THROUGH WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

TOTAL SNOWFALL AMOUNTS ARE EXPECTED TO RANGE FROM 4 TO 8 INCHES OVER MOST AREAS NORTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...WITH A SWATH OF 6 TO 10 INCHES EXTENDING FROM JOHNSON COUNTY IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS NORTHEAST TO EVANSVILLE AND PIKE COUNTY INDIANA. SOUTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...EXPECT 3 TO 6 INCHES OF SNOW ON TOP OF A LAYER OF ICE.

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RAIN WILL CONTINUE TO SPREAED NORTHWARD ACROSS THE AREA OVERNIGHT. HOWEVER...TEMPERATURES SHOULD REMAIN ABOVE FREEZING UNTIL EARLY WEDNESDAY MORNING. THEN RAIN MAY CHANGE OVER TO SLEET OR FREEZING RAIN AS TEMPERATURES DROP LATE TONIGHT AND EARLY WEDNESDAY MORNING...WITH SIGNIFICANT ICE ACCUMULATIONS EXPECTED. THE PRECIPITATION WILL EVENTUALLY CHANGE OVER TO ALL SNOW LATER IN THE AFTERNOON WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT...WITH 2 TO 4 INCHES OF SNOW POSSIBLY ACCUMULATING ON TOP OF THE ICE.

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CAPE GIRARDEAU...HERRIN AND CARBONDALE
730 PM CST TUE DEC 21 2004

...WINTER STORM WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT FROM MIDNIGHT WEDNESDAY TO 6 AM CST THURSDAY...

PRECIPITATION WILL EXPAND AND SPREAD NORTHWARD ACROSS THE AREA OVERNIGHT. WHAT MAY BEGIN AS RAIN WILL CHANGE OVER TO ALL SNOW AS TEMPERATURES DROP LATER TONIGHT. THE SNOW WILL CONTINUE WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT. TOTAL SNOWFALL ACCUMULATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO RANGE RANGE FROM 3 TO 8 INCHES.

IN ADDITION...NORTH WINDS OF 10 TO 20 MPH WILL CAUSE BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF SNOW WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

THE AMOUNTS FORECASTED ARE AVERAGES...ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS ARE LIKELY.

A WINTER STORM WARNING IS ISSUED WHEN SEVERE WINTER WEATHER IS EXPECTED TO OCCUR. HEAVY SNOW AND SOME ICE ARE FORECAST TO ACCUMULATE AND CAUSE HAZARDOUS DRIVING CONDITIONS. IF YOU HAVE TRAVEL PLANS YOU SHOULD CONSIDER CHOOSING AN ALTERNATE ROUTE...OR USE EXTREME CAUTION IF TRAVEL THROUGH THE WARNING AREA IS UNAVOIDABLE.

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LOW PRESSURE WILL MOVE FROM MISSISSIPPI TODAY...TO SOUTH CENTRAL KENTUCKY TONIGHT. MEANWHILE...ARCTIC AIR WILL CONTINUE TO PLUNGE SOUTHWARD ACROSS THE FOUR STATE AREA. AS A RESULT...SNOW WILL CONTINUE ACROSS SOUTHEAST MISSOURI...SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AND SOUTHWEST INDIANA...WITH PRECIPITATION CHANGING OVER TO SNOW OR SLEET OVER WESTERN KENTUCKY THROUGH THE MORNING. THERE WILL BE SIGNIFICANT ACCUMULATIONS OF SNOW ACROSS PARTS OF THE REGION WITH THIS WINTER STORM TODAY AND TONIGHT. TRAVEL CONDITIONS WILL BE VERY HAZARDOUS... AND IN SOME PLACES...NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE.

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ALEXANDER IL-BALLARD KY-BOLLINGER MO-BUTLER MO-CALDWELL KY-CALLOWAY KY-CAPE GIRARDEAU MO-CARLISLE KY-CARTER MO-CHRISTIAN KY-CRITTENDEN KY-DAVIESS KY-EDWARDS IL-FRANKLIN IL-FULTON KY-GALLATIN IL-GIBSON IN-GRAVES KY-HAMILTON IL-HARDIN IL-HENDERSON KY-HICKMAN KY-HOPKINS KY-JACKSON IL-JEFFERSON IL-JOHNSON IL-LIVINGSTON KY-LYON KY-MARSHALL KY-MASSAC IL-MCCRACKEN KY-MCLEAN KY-MISSISSIPPI MO-MUHLENBERG KY-NEW MADRID MO-PERRY IL-PERRY MO-PIKE IN-POPE IL-POSEY IN-PULASKI IL-RIPLEY MO-SALINE IL-SCOTT MO-SPENCER IN-STODDARD MO-TODD KY-TRIGG KY-UNION IL-UNION KY-VANDERBURGH IN-WABASH IL-WARRICK IN-WAYNE IL-WAYNE MO-WEBSTER KY-WHITE IL-WILLIAMSON IL-

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CARMI...EVANSVILLE...HARRISBURG...HENDERSON...HOPKINSVILLE...
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MOUNT VERNON IL...MURRAY...NEW MADRID...OWENSBORO...PADUCAH...
PERRYVILLE...POPLAR BLUFF...PRINCETON IN...SIKESTON...VAN BUREN

...WINTER STORM WARNING THROUGH 6 AM CST (7 AM EST) THURSDAY...

SNOW ACCUMULATIONS FROM 6 TO 12 INCHES CAN BE EXPECTED ALONG...AND JUST NORTH AND SOUTH OF A LINE FROM CAPE GIRARDEAU MISSOURI...TO MARION ILLINOIS...TO EVANSVILLE INDIANA TODAY AND TONIGHT. ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS WILL BE POSSIBLE. GENERALLY 3 TO 6 INCHES OF SNOW IS EXPECTED JUST NORTH OF THE HEAVY SNOW BAND...FROM PINCKNEYVILLE...TO MOUNT VERNON...TO FAIRFIELD IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS. AMOUNTS SOUTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...FROM ABOUT PADUCAH TO OWENSBORO...SHOULD BE 3 TO 6 INCHES...WITH ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS. 2 TO 4 INCH ACCUMULATIONS OF SNOW AND SLEET ARE EXPECTED FROM MURRAY TO HOPKINSVILLE KENTUCKY.

IN ADDITION TO THE SNOW...GUSTY NORTH WINDS 15 TO 25 MPH WILL LIKELY RESULT IN BLOWING AND DRIFTING SNOW.

TRAVEL CONDITIONS WILL BE EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS TODAY AND TONIGHT.
UNNECESSARY TRAVEL IS NOT RECOMMENDED. IF YOU MUST VENTURE OUT...
TAKE ALONG A WINTER STORM KIT. INCLUDE A FLASHLIGHT...SHOVEL...
BLANKETS AND A FIRST AID KIT...AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT WOULD HELP YOU SURVIVE IN CASE YOU BECOME STRANDED.

STAY TUNED TO NOAA ALL HAZARDS RADIO...OR COMMERCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS DANGEROUS WINTER WEATHER SITUATION.

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PERRYVILLE...POPLAR BLUFF...PRINCETON IN...SIKESTON...VAN BUREN

...WINTER STORM WARNING THROUGH 6 AM CST (7 AM EST) THURSDAY...

HEAVY SNOW CONTINUED ACROSS A GOOD PART OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AND SOUTHWEST INDIANA EARLY THIS MORNING. THE BACK EDGE OF THE HEAVY SNOW WAS MOVING EAST ACROSS SOUTHEAST MISSOURI. AS THE MORNING WEARS ON... THERE SHOULD BE A DIMINISHING TREND TO THE SNOW ACROSS THE REGION. HOWEVER...A SECOND WAVE OF SNOW WILL MOVE ACROSS THE REGION LATE TODAY AND TONIGHT.

THE FIRST WAVE OF THE SNOW HAS LEFT ANYWHERE FROM 3 TO 10 INCHES OF ACCUMULATION ACROSS SOUTHEAST MISSOURI...SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AND SOUTHWEST INDIANA. CLOSE TO 10 INCHES OF SNOW WAS REPORTED NEAR HARRISBURG ILLINOIS...WITH 6 TO 7 INCHES IN GIBSON COUNTY INDIANA...4 INCHES AROUND MOUNT VERNON INDIANA...AND 4 INCHES AT CAPE GIRARDEAU MISSOURI. SNOW...MIXED AT TIMES WITH SLEET SOUTH OF THE HEAVY SNOW BAND OVERNIGHT. THIS RESULTED IN LOWER ACCUMULATIONS ACROSS WESTERN KENTUCKY.

SNOW ACCUMULATIONS FROM 6 TO 14 INCHES CAN BE EXPECTED ALONG...AND JUST NORTH AND SOUTH OF A LINE FROM CAPE GIRARDEAU MISSOURI...TO MARION ILLINOIS...TO EVANSVILLE INDIANA TODAY AND TONIGHT. ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS WILL BE POSSIBLE. GENERALLY 3 TO 6 INCHES OF SNOW IS EXPECTED JUST NORTH OF THE HEAVY SNOW BAND...FROM PINCKNEYVILLE...TO MOUNT VERNON...TO FAIRFIELD IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS. AMOUNTS SOUTH OF THE OHIO RIVER...FROM ABOUT PADUCAH TO OWENSBORO...SHOULD BE 3 TO 6 INCHES...WITH ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS. 2 TO 4 INCH ACCUMULATIONS OF SNOW AND SLEET ARE EXPECTED FROM MURRAY TO HOPKINSVILLE KENTUCKY.

IN ADDITION TO THE SNOW...GUSTY NORTH WINDS 15 TO 25 MPH WILL LIKELY RESULT IN BLOWING AND DRIFTING SNOW.

TRAVEL CONDITIONS WILL BE EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS TODAY AND TONIGHT. UNNECESSARY TRAVEL IS NOT RECOMMENDED. IF YOU MUST VENTURE OUT... TAKE ALONG A WINTER STORM KIT. INCLUDE A FLASHLIGHT...SHOVEL... BLANKETS AND A FIRST AID KIT...AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT WOULD HELP YOU SURVIVE IN CASE YOU BECOME STRANDED.

STAY TUNED TO NOAA ALL HAZARDS RADIO...OR COMMERCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS DANGEROUS WINTER WEATHER SITUATION.

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.AS THE FIRST PART OF THIS STRONG STORM SYSTEM DEPARTS...ANOTHER AREA OF WINTRY PRECIPITATION WILL MOVE INTO THE AREA THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING AS THE UPPER LEVEL STORM SYSTEM MOVES THROUGH. THIS WILL BRING ADDITIONAL SNOW AND ICE ACCUMULATIONS. IN ADDITION...THE SURFACE LOW WILL INTENSIFY AS IT MOVES UP THE WEST SIDE OF THE APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS. THIS WILL INCREASE WIND SPEEDS LATE THIS AFTERNOON THROUGH TOMORROW MORNING. BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF SNOW WILL BE A MAJOR HAZARD. NEAR BLIZZARD CONDITIONS ARE EXPECTED OVER PARTS OF THE AREA THIS EVENING.

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PADUCAH...OWENSBORO...MAYFIELD...EVANSVILLE...
MADISONVILLE AND HENDERSON

1049 AM CST WED DEC 22 2004

...WINTER STORM WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST (7 AM EST) THURSDAY...

... NEAR BLIZZARD CONDITIONS EXPECTED TONIGHT...

THE FIRST PART OF THE STORM IS DEPARTING WITH ONLY AN ADDITIONAL INCH OR SO OVER PARTS OF WESTERN KENTUCKY AND SOUTHWEST INDIANA THROUGH EARLY THIS AFTERNOON. SOME LIGHT FREEZING DRIZZLE IS LIKELY AS THE SNOW COMES TO AN END.

ANOTHER ROUND OF SIGNIFICANT SNOW IS EXPECTED TO MOVE INTO SOUTHEAST MISSOURI THIS AFTERNOON AND SPREAD OVER THE REST OF THE REGION TONIGHT. THIS IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE ANOTHER 4 TO 10 INCHES OF SNOW...ON TOP OF WHAT IS ALREADY ON THE GROUND. THE HIGHEST SNOWFALL TOTALS ARE FORECAST ALONG A LINE FROM JOHNSON COUNTY IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS TO EVANSVILLE AND PIKE COUNTY INDIANA. AMOUNTS WILL BE SLIGHTLY LESS TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH OF THAT LINE.

THE AMOUNTS ARE AVERAGES AND ISOLATED HIGHER AMOUNTS ARE LIKELY.

WINDS WILL BE INCREASING LATER THIS AFTERNOON WHICH WILL INCREASE THE BLOWING AND DRIFTING PROBLEMS. NEAR BLIZZARD CONDITIONS ARE EXPECTED TONIGHT. THE STRONG WINDS ARE EXPECTED TO LAST UNTIL MIDDAY THURSDAY. BY MORNING...WIND CHILLS OF ZERO TO 10 BELOW ZERO ARE EXPECTED ACROSS THE REGION.

ANY TRAVEL IS STRONGLY DISCOURAGED. IF YOU LEAVE THE SAFETY OF BEING INDOORS...YOU ARE PUTTING YOUR LIFE AT RISK.

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...WINTER STORM WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST THURSDAY...
...MAJOR ICE STORM EXPECTED...

THE FIRST ROUND OF PRECIPITATION WILL END EARLY THIS AFTERNOON. AN ADDITIONAL INCH OF SNOW IS POSSIBLE WITH SOME SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN MIXED.

ADDITIONAL PRECIPITATION WILL RETURN LATE THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING. A MAJOR ICE STORM IS EXPECTED TO DEVELOP THIS EVENING. UP TO AN INCH OF ICE ACCUMULATION IS FORECAST ON TOP OF THE SNOW AND ICE THAT IS ALREADY ON THE GROUND. THE PRECIPITATION SHOULD CHANGE TO ALL SNOW AFTER MIDNIGHT...WITH 1 TO 2 INCHES OF SNOW ON TOP OF THE ICE.

THIS AMOUNT OF ICE...ALONG WITH STRONG WINDS...WILL LIKELY DOWN SOME TREES AND POWER LINES.

WINDS WILL BE INCREASING LATER THIS AFTERNOON THROUGH TOMORROW MIDDAY. THIS WILL CREATE BLOWING AND DRIFTING CONDITIONS WITH ANY SNOW THAT FALLS. WIND CHILLS OF ZERO TO 5 BELOW ZERO ARE EXPECTED TOMORROW MORNING.

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HENDERSON...EVANSVILLE...HERRIN...HARRISBURG...CARMI...CARBONDALE...
CAIRO...HENDERSON MOUND...WEST PADUCAH AND HERRIN JUNCTION
601 PM CST WED DEC 22 2004

...WINTER STORM WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST (7 AM EST)

... NEAR BLIZZARD CONDITIONS EXPECTED TONIGHT...

SIGNIFICANT HEAVY SNOW WILL CONTINUE TO AFFECT SOUTHEAST MISSOURI...SOUTHERN ILLINOIS...SOUTHWEST INDIANA...AND MUCH OF WESTERN KENTUCKY TONIGHT. LOOK FOR AN ADDITIONAL 4 TO 10 INCHES OF SNOW...ON TOP OF WHAT FELL DURING THE DAY. THE HIGHEST SNOWFALL TOTALS ARE FORECAST ALONG A LINE FROM JOHNSON COUNTY IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS...TO EVANSVILLE AND PIKE COUNTY INDIANA. AMOUNTS WILL BE SLIGHTLY LESS TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH OF THAT LINE.

THIS WILL RESULT IN TOTAL STORM SNOWFALL ACCUMULATIONS RANGING FROM A LOW END OF 6 INCHES TO A HIGH END OF 22 INCHES. HOWEVER...THE AVERAGE TOTAL STORM SNOWFALL ACCUMULATION FOR MOST LOCALES WILL BE IN THE 8 TO 14 INCH RANGE.

IN ADDITION...STRONG AND GUSTY WINDS IN THE 15 TO 30 MPH RANGE WILL COMBINE WITH THE WINTERY WEATHER TO PRODUCE NEAR BLIZZARD CONDITIONS TONIGHT. WIND CHILLS OF ZERO TO 10 BELOW ZERO ARE EXPECTED ACROSS THE ENTIRE REGION.

ANY TRAVEL IS STRONGLY DISCOURAGED. IF YOU LEAVE THE SAFETY OF BEING INDOORS...YOU ARE PUTTING YOUR LIFE AT RISK.

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...WINTER STORM WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 AM CST THURSDAY...
...MAJOR ICE STORM...

SIGNIFICANT ICING WILL CONTINUE TO AFFECT THE PENNYRILE REGION OF WESTERN KENTUCKY TONIGHT...AS FREEZING RAIN AND SLEET ACCUMULATE POSSIBLY UP TO AN ADDITIONAL 1 INCH OF ICE ON TOP OF WHAT ALREADY FELL DURING THE DAY. THEN OVERNIGHT...THE ICE WILL EVENTUALLY CHANGE OVER TO SNOW AS TEMPERATURES CONTINUE TO PLUMMET...RESULTING IN TOTAL SNOW AND ICE ACCUMULATIONS OF 2 TO 4 INCHES ACROSS THE REGION BY THE END OF THE NIGHT.

THIS AMOUNT OF ICE...ALONG WITH STRONG AND GUSTY WINDS IN THE 15 TO 30 MPH RANGE...WILL LIKELY DOWN SOME TREES AND POWER LINES. WIND CHILLS WILL RANGE FROM ZERO TO 5 BELOW ZERO BY THURSDAY MORNING.

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