

# LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTS

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department reported the following calls and cases for the period ending Nov. 16.

Saturday, Nov. 3, at 4:54 a.m., Deputy Basco initiated a traffic stop on Hwy. 71 east. Abdullah Ibrahim Al-Ajal, 21, of Austin, was arrested for reckless driving.

Tuesday, Nov. 6, at 7:53 a.m., Deputy Benavides and Sgt. Neisner responded to a call concerning a burglary of a building at the Texas Department of Transportation on Hwy. 90. It was reported that a 1985 Ford truck, yellow in color, was stolen along with an air compressor, Midland 2-way radio, King electric crane, Miller welding machine, bench grinder and several miscellaneous tools located in the vehicle. The vehicle was later recovered in the Austin area. A suspect (who is on parole) has been identified and warrants for his arrest are pending.

Thursday, Nov. 8, at 11:31 p.m., Deputy Head responded to a call concerning a domestic disturbance on FM 102. After further investigation, Gallardo Osniel, 27, of Eagle Lake, was arrested for family violence assault.

Monday, Nov. 12, at 10 a.m., Deputy Schmidt responded to Rice High School in reference to a student leaving the campus with another student the prior day and were again absent from school. Both students were charged with failure to attend school.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 12:35 p.m., Deputy Argo responded to a call concerning a possible terroristic threat that had been made at Rice High School. Deputy Argo met with the complainant and the suspect. Information for a report was taken but it was determined that no offense had occurred.

At 8:57 p.m., Sgt. Pavlicek initiated a traffic stop on Hwy. 90. After further investigation, Chester Jim Sheridan, 39, of Sheridan, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 12:30 p.m. Deputy Schmidt responded to a call concerning a student that had been involved in an assault earlier in the day. After further investigation, the juvenile was detained and transported to the Eagle Lake Boot Camp.

At 7:23 p.m., Deputy Pardo arrested Joel Cherry, 17, of Altair, on a warrant for felony theft from a previously reported case.

Thursday, Nov. 15, at 6 p.m., Deputy Head responded to a call concerning a burglary of a residence in Garwood. The juvenile suspects were identified, and the complainant indicated that he did not wish to file charges if the property was returned. The case was then closed.

Friday, Nov. 16, at 10:15 p.m., Sgt. Edman responded to a call concerning a possible intoxicated driver on I-10. After further investigation, Isreal Carranza, 30, of Pasadena, was arrested for driving while intoxicated with an open container and driving while license suspended.

The Eagle Lake Police Department (ELPD) reported the following calls and cases for the week ending Dec. 4.

Nov. 27, at 12:25 p.m., Officer Bryan Lasley was given a cellular phone by a U.S. Postal employee, who had found the phone in a mailbox. Officer Lasley investigated the case and found the phone belonged to a Garwood citizen. The owner was located and the phone returned to him.

At 3:08 p.m., while on patrol, Officer Lasley assisted an 18-wheeler motorist who had lost air pressure from his commercial motor vehicle. A repair facility was contacted to further assist the motorist. After a failed attempt, Delgado's Wrecker Service was called to remove the 18-wheeler from the 700 block of S. McCarty.

At 5:25 p.m., Officer Lasley received a call from a concerned motorist who had seen smoke coming from a freight train and feared the train may

be on fire. Officer Lasley investigated the incident and learned that there was no fire, but, railroad workers were in fact working on a nearby track and had caused the smoke.

Nov. 28, at 11:56 a.m., Officer Lasley assisted the Colorado County Sheriff's Office by checking on a reported vehicle accident on FM 3013 between Sealy and Eagle Lake. Officer Lasley later learned a person had been stuck along FM 3013 in Austin County, which could have generated the call from a concerned passing motorist.

At 1 p.m., Officer Lasley was called to the 100 block of E. Waverly in reference to a downed utility line. Officer Lasley learned the downed cable belonged to the phone company and a resident had reported it to the phone company a month ago, stating that a large truck had pulled the line loose from a house. With the assistance from the homeowner, the cable was lifted up and out of the street away from passing cars, and was re-attached to the house. The phone company was advised of the situation.

At 6:14 p.m., Officer Rosalinda Perez was dispatched to a verbal dispute in the 900 block of N. Lake Ave. Officer Perez found the dispute was verbal in nature and no violence had occurred. The parties involved were advised of criminal statutes, relative to domestic violence, and agreed to resolve the problem peacefully.

Nov. 29, Officer Wendy Alley served felony aggravated assault arrest warrants on 19-year-old Terrell J. Miller and 20-year-old Lamonte D. Miller. The warrants were issued as the result of the ELPD's investigation of the Nov. 25 stabbing incident on Third Street. During that incident, 21-year-old Eric Johnson and 23-year-old Anthony Daniels sustained injuries consistent with having been stabbed and/or cut during a fight.

Shortly after their arrests, the two defendants posted \$50,000 bonds each and were released.

At 9:50 a.m., Officer Alley executed a mental health warrant on Mr. John Wilson, a resident of the Heritage House Nursing Home in Eagle Lake. Wilson was transferred to the Bayou City Hospital for further treatment.

At 2 p.m., Officer Alley assisted the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office in attempting to locate a person who was believed to have just purchased a stolen firearm from a pawn shop in Richmond.

At 7:41 p.m., Sgt. Tim Crume met with a subject at the ELPD who was concerned about two family members who had driven a car to the Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton and were now past due. Sgt. Crume called around to all of the medical offices in Wharton, but was unable to locate the missing family members. A notice was sent to area police departments asking them to be on the look out for the vehicle. Chief Keith Webb called the family the next day and learned the missing family members had returned safely home later that same evening.

At 11:35 p.m., Sgt. Crume and Officer Perez investigated a report of gunfire in the 500 block of E. Union St. The occupants of a vehicle have been identified and the case is under investigation. The case is possibly related to the stabbing incident which occurred Nov. 25, 2001.

Nov. 30, Officer Alley served a felony aggravated assault arrest warrant on 21-year-old Nekecia S. Miller. The warrant was issued as the result of the ELPD's investigation of the Nov. 25 stabbing incident on Third Street.

Nekecia is the third defendant to be arrested in this incident.

At 3:18 a.m., Officer Perez assisted Eagle Lake's Medic Unit 3 in loading a female patient who lives outside the city limits in New Town. The patient was transported to the Rice Medical Center.

At 4:09 p.m., Sgt. Crume responded to reports of persons selling meat door to door. Crume located a white truck being driven by two out-of-state men, David Torres and Everett Vore Jr., who were attempting to peddle an unknown type of meat without the required city permit. After running a criminal history check on the men, they were released with a written city ordinance warning.

At 6:18 and 7 p.m., Sgt. Crume and Officer Perez responded to two separate disturbances in the 500 block of East 8th Street involving the same persons. Advice was given to both parties involved in hopes of resolving an ongoing civil dispute.

At 8:18 p.m., Sgt. Crume and Officer Perez answered an armed robbery call at the Super Video & Games located at 704 S. McCarty.

Officers learned two black males, wearing ski masks and orange gloves, entered the video store and demanded cash. One male held a handgun on the clerk as the second robber proceeded to open and take the money from the cash register. The armed duo fled on foot. No witnesses to the robbery have been found as of Dec. 4.

The ELPD requests that anyone with information on this robbery, or any of the previous robberies in Colorado and Austin Counties, to please contact either the ELPD at 234-7307 or call the Colorado County Crime Stoppers at 979-732-6991.

Crime Stoppers is offering cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of person(s) involved in these crimes. As always, you will remain anonymous.

At 8:50 p.m., Sgt. Crume responded to a disturbance at the Dairy Queen. Two customers had become disruptive. They were identified as employees of a local cable contractor. The disturbance was resolved.

Dec. 1, at 1:53 a.m., Officer Perez investigated a suspicious vehicle parked at S&W Auto Parts on E. Main St. Perez found the vehicle and driver nearby and she learned a late night delivery was being made.

At 7:11 a.m., Officer Stephen Nelson was called to a residence in the 100 block of W. Davitt St. The complainant reported she had loaned her car to a friend and the friend never returned back with the car. Officer learned the complainant had loaned her car to Lakeshia Jackson, who had several outstanding arrest warrants against her. They also learned Jackson had been stopped by county deputies while she was driving the borrowed car and had been arrested.

At 10:45 a.m., Officer Nelson was called to the Kevin Court Apartments to speak with a 74-year-old resident, Willie Thomas. Thomas was concerned because his 13-year-old son had been taken away from him. Nelson investigated the report and learned Thomas was wanted out of Harris County for felony theft.

When Nelson informed Thomas there was warrant out for his arrest, Thomas became combative and attempted to hit Officer Nelson in his face. Sgt. Bill Lattimore was summoned to the scene and, after a brief scuffle, Thomas was secured and transported to the ELPD unharmed. He was then turned over to the Colorado County Detention Center

(CCDC) to be transported to Harris County.

From 4:30 to 8 p.m., all of the officers of the ELPD along with one Colorado County deputy assisted the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce with their annual parade by providing traffic and crowd control before, during and after the parade.

Dec. 1, at 12:07 a.m., Sgt. Lattimore and Officer Arnold Terrazas received information from the county dispatcher that a high speed vehicle pursuiter was fast approaching Eagle Lake from the east on Hwy. 90.

Officers were overwhelmed when approximately 15 marked police cars entered the city; all at high speeds chasing a single stolen vehicle occupied by three Hispanic juveniles suspects.

The juveniles failed to successfully navigate the car around the curve adjacent to Glen Flora Road, where they ended the hour-long chase by disabling their vehicle in a vacant lot owned by ex-City Councilman William "Bill" Kell.

The vehicle left the roadway and just became stuck in the wet ground, just across from the Video-2-Go store.

No injuries or damage to other vehicles were reported during the chase. The juveniles were arrested and detained at the CCDC.

At 1:56 a.m., Officer Terrazas assisted a motorist at the intersection of C and First Street who became stuck in the ditch. Carlos Perez of Columbus had his vehicle removed by Delgado's Wrecker Service.

At 1:47 p.m., Officer Nelson was dispatched to the 500 block of N. Lake Ave. in regards to a neighbor burning wood. The resident was found preparing his BBQ pit for cooking.

At 6:24 p.m., Sgt. Lattimore responded to the 800 block of W. Main where he found an unoccupied A&K Railroad truck stuck in the middle of a resident's yard. Delgado's Wrecker Service was unable to remove the vehicle with one wrecker, so a second one had to be called to assist.

Dec. 3, several reports of criminal mischief were reported in and around Colorado County, in which holes were found in windows. The damages are consistent with having been caused by the discharge of a small caliber firearm or pneumatic-powered weapon, such as a pellet gun. Officers learned

several reports have been taken in Columbus and out in the county.

Dec. 2, an employee reported a hole being in the window of a business in the 200 block of S. McCarty. Dec. 3, the owner of a business in the 700 block of E. Main St. reported three windows shot out of his building. And finally, a resident in the 100 block of W. Center St. reported the rear window of his pickup truck parked at his residence was also shot out.

If you have information on the individuals responsible for these acts of criminal mischief, please call the ELPD.

Dec. 4, at 3:38 a.m., Sgt. Lattimore assisted the Colorado County Sheriff's Office in attempting to corral a red cow found wandering around the intersection of FM 3013 at McDonald Road.

At 7:50 a.m., Officer Nelson took a report of a stolen brindled pregnant pit bull dog from a resident in the 500 block of N. McCarty St.

At 10 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., Officers Nelson and Alley took reports of criminal trespassing from two separate individuals. Trespass warnings were issued at their requests.

## COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT



### COUNTY COURT CASES FILED

Nov. 27, 2001  
Melvin R. Huebel, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Nov. 28, 2001  
Cedric Gamlie Manning, possession of marijuana.  
Richard R. Demunbrun, speeding appeal from justice of the peace.

Nov. 29, 2001  
Kory Everett Kaine, driving while license suspended (DWLS).  
Jeffrey S. Scrivner, DWI.  
Frederick James Benson II, DWI, 2nd offense.  
Granvel R. Meyer Jr., DWLS.  
Jason C. Evans, obstructing highway passageway.

### DISTRICT COURT DISPOSITIONS

Dec. 3, 2001  
Sheila Wright, fraudulent prescription form, 5-11-00. Sentenced to three years deferred adjudication, 240 hours community service, \$1,000 fine and court costs.

Michael Andrew Herrera, DWI, 3rd offense, 6-16-01. Sentenced to 270 days in the Colorado County Jail.

Michael Andrew Herrera, possession of a controlled substance (PoCS), 6-16-01. Sentenced to 180 days in the Colorado County Jail.

Morian Hensley, theft, 3-23-01. Sentenced to 12 months TDC.  
Louis Charles Bradshaw, PoCS, 7-24-99. Sentenced to 180 days in TDC.  
Lorraine Phelps Ramirez, DWI, 8-22-98. Sentenced to three years TDC.  
Lorraine Phelps Ramirez, prohibited substance in a correctional facility, 6-22-01. Sentenced to three years TDC.

**DIVORCES FILED**  
Pamela Kay Mortensen and Dennis Ladell Mortensen; filed 11-28-01.  
Sheila Ann Collins and Leonard Wayne Collins; 11-29-01.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
Brian Keith Gordon and Dametra Laco Shorter; 11-22-01.  
Michael Ray Reynolds and Robin

Michelle Reynolds; 11-27-01.  
Jose Martin Lopez and Teresa Capetillo Klemmer; 11-29-01.



Sarah Disparti, Thank you for all of your help Saturday before the Parade. Love, Dad

## Toys

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A.J. Struss Auto Supply, First National Bank, Wallis State Bank or the Furniture Shoppe.

Legionnaires say it will take a lot of toys to fill the 300 or so bags to be given away Saturday, Dec. 22, and ask the continued cooperation of everyone to help children in needy homes have a happy Christmas again this year.

For more information, contact Fred Frnka at 234-2065 or Vic Scott at 234-2792.

### Did You Know...

The first patent awarded by the United States government went to Samuel Hopkins in 1790 for a process of making potash and pearl ashes.

Nolan Ryan is the only pitcher to throw seven no-hit games.

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### Gallstone Risk May Increase with Estrogen Therapy

Gallstones are collections of calcium or cholesterol crystals in the gallbladder or bile ducts. In the US, 20% of the elderly have gallstones — although most persons are never aware of their presence. Symptoms may include nausea, colic, and pain that comes and goes. If infection and bile duct obstruction occur, fever, chills, and jaundice may be experienced.

According to a study reported in *Annals of Internal Medicine*, women who take estrogen may be more prone to have gallstones than women who do not receive estrogen therapy. Increased gallstone risk is thought to occur because of a change in the composition of bile caused by estrogen. The chance of developing painful stones from estrogen was not great. However study results indicate that women taking oral hormone replacement therapy (HRT) were 30% to 40% more likely to need gallbladder surgery. Surprisingly women who took fenofibrate (Tricor) or gemfibrozil (Lopid) to control cholesterol had a greater chance of gallstones than those on HRT. Yet, women who took a statin-type cholesterol medicine such as atorvastatin (Lipitor) or simvastatin (Zocor) had a decreased need for gallbladder surgery.

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