

LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Colorado County Sheriff's Dept. reported the following calls and cases for the period ending Nov. 27.

Friday, Nov. 14, at 12:43 a.m., Deputy Girndt initiated a traffic stop on Hwy. 90A west of Eagle Lake. After further investigation, Bennie Ray Grayer, 48, of Hallettsville was arrested for driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana.

At 2:35 p.m., Deputy Sublett responded to a call concerning an injury to a child in Garwood. After further investigation, a warrant was obtained from Judge Dodie Dungen. Demetria Lynn Ashton, 28, of Eagle Lake was arrested for injury to a child.

At 6:45 p.m., Deputy Girndt responded to a call concerning a complainant having trouble with a stepdaughter on County Road 2103. After further investigation, it was found the suspect assaulted her stepmother. The juvenile was charged and detained at the Eagle Lake Boot Camp.

Saturday, Nov. 15, at 12:35 a.m., Deputy Girndt responded to a call concerning a vehicle in the roadway on Hwy. 71 near County Road 101. The vehicle was located and, after further investigation, Jose Roel Palomino, 29, of Houston was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

At 10:01 a.m., Deputy Sublett responded to a call concerning a disturbance in Garwood. After further investigation, Lakeshia Jackson, 33, of Garwood was arrested for family violence assault Class C. Sunday, Nov. 16, at 1:02 a.m., Deputy Jasek initiated a traffic stop on FM 3013. After further investigation, Monica S. Lemons, 19, of Eagle Lake was arrested for no driver's license.

Wednesday, Nov. 19, at 1 p.m., Deputy Argo responded to a call concerning a student disrupting class at Rice Alternate Education Program. After further investigation, one juvenile was issued a citation for disruption of class.

At 3 p.m., Deputy Argo responded to a call concerning a student doing offensive gestures to other students while waiting for the bus at the Eagle Lake Middle School. After further investigation, one subject was issued a citation for disorderly conduct.

Friday, Nov. 21, at 2:15 a.m., Deputy Pflughaupt initiated a traffic stop on Mentz Rd. After further investigation, Joann Marie Goodman, 39, of Columbus was arrested for driving while intoxicated (DWI). Gabriel Navarro Corona, 64, of Columbus was arrested for public intoxication.

At 3:15 a.m., Deputy Girndt initiated a traffic stop on Hwy. 90A. After further investigation, Jay Douglas House, 20, of Columbus was arrested for DWI.

Sunday, Nov. 23, at 5 a.m., Deputy Pflughaupt, while on patrol, located several road signs that had been damaged on Dietrich and Frelsburg Rds. Sgt. Pavlicek and Deputy Head assisted. After further investigation, Ryan Henneke, 18, of Columbus was arrested on a warrant for criminal mischief, a state jail felony.

Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 11:15 p.m., Deputy Jasek and Reserve Deputy Knight checked on a suspicious vehicle under the I-10 river bridge. After further investigation, Allison Epps, 17, of Alleyton was arrested for possession of marijuana a Class

B misdemeanor.

Thursday, Nov. 17, at 7:14 a.m., Deputy Sublett and Head responded to a theft of jewelry on Lehrman Rd. After further investigation, Shannon Braden, 18, of Frelsburg was charged with theft, a state jail felony. Also arrested and charged with criminal trespass of a habitation in connection with the case were Sarah Peyer, 20, of Schulenburg and Joseph Baumbach, 20, and Matthew Marcotte, 17, of Columbus.

The Eagle Lake Police Department (ELPD) reported the following calls and cases for the week ending Dec. 15.

Dec. 9, at 1:15 p.m., Chief W.E. Lattimore was contacted by a subject in regards to a license plate the subject found. The owner was contacted and arrangements were made to return it.

At 6:08 p.m., Investigator David Wiese was dispatched to Hwy. 90A, just east of the city limits in regards to assisting the Colorado County Sheriff's Department with some loose cattle in the roadway.

At 7:29 p.m., Investigator Wiese was contacted at the PD by a complainant in regards to a civil dispute. Information was received.

Dec. 10, at 10:30 a.m., Officer John Sebastian conducted an escort for Dulany Funeral Home.

At 3:39 p.m., Officer Sebastian was dispatched to the 600 block of Clark St. in reference to loud music. The music was turned down.

Dec. 11, at 9:30 a.m., Lt. Wendy Thompson spoke with a subject by phone in reference to a civil matter.

At 1:33 p.m., Officer Justin Alderete opened an investigation in reference to alleged abuse which took place in the 600 block of FM 3013.

At 2 p.m., Lt. Thompson met with a complainant at the PD in regards to a missing firearm. Case open for investigation.

At 3:15 p.m., Sgt. Steve Nelson spoke with a subject by phone in reference to a civil matter involving a vehicle not being returned. Information was received.

At 10:08 p.m., Investigator Wiese and Sgt. Nelson were dispatched to the 600 block of Maple St. in reference to a past assault. Case open for investigation.

At 10:57 p.m., Sgt. Nelson was dispatched to the 1200 block of East B Street in reference to a juvenile who had not returned home. Upon arrival, it was learned the juvenile had returned home.

Dec. 12, at 6:49 a.m., Officer Arnold Terrazas was dispatched to the 1100 block of Glen Lake St. in regards to a truancy problem. The matter was turned over to the resource officer, Deputy Jeff Argo.

At 7:20 a.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to the 200 block of Johnson St. in regards to a stolen pit bull dog. Information was received.

At 8:58 a.m., Chief Lattimore was dispatched to the 300 block of Burns St. in regards to unwanted subject at a residence. The subject left the residence upon Lattimore's arrival.

At 9:22 a.m., Chief Lattimore was contacted at the PD in regards to a possible theft. Information was received.

At 12:55 p.m., Chief Lattimore was contacted at the PD by a subject regarding a possible stolen vehicle. Information was received.

At 11:41 p.m., Officer Charles Cole was dispatched to the 600 block of Keith St. in regards to a suspicious noise. The source of the noise was located and all was found to be in order.

Dec. 13, at 11:48 a.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to the 700 block of Gonzales St. in regards to a 9-1-1 hang up. He learned children had been playing with the phone.

From 4:30 to 9 p.m., the ELPD provided traffic control and assistance for the lighted parade. Pct. 4 Constable Darrell Stancik, Pct. 4 Commissioner Darrell Gertson and crew, the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department, and Public Works Director Thurston Webb, assisted the ELPD and Dennis Pavlicek as well as Colorado County Sgt. Jason Pavlicek and Deputy Chad Girndt. Thank you all for helping us keep folks safe!

At 9:24 p.m., Officer Cole initiated a traffic stop in the 500 block of E. Main St. Clemon Johnson Jr. was arrested for driving while license suspended. He was processed at the PD and transported to the Colorado County Detention Center (CCDC) for confinement.

At 11:56 p.m., Officer Cole was dispatched to the 1000 block of Glen Lake Ct. in regards to an unwanted subject at a residence. The subject left the residence upon Cole's arrival.

Dec. 14, at 3:21 a.m., Officer Cole initiated a traffic stop in the 600 block of D Street. Deyon Batiste was arrested for unlawfully carrying a weapon (pistol). Batiste was transported to CCDC for confinement.

At 1:59 p.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to B&B Foods in regards to a gas drive-off. The vehicle and its owner were later located and the gas was paid for.

At 6:15 p.m., Officer Cole was dispatched to the 500 block of E. Main St. in regards to a nude customer. The customer was gone by the time Cole arrived.

At 7:28 p.m., Officer Cole was dispatched to the 400 block of W. Main St. in regards to an unwanted customer. Information was received.

At 7:30 p.m., Officer Cole was dispatched to the 400 block of C Street in regards to a theft. Information was received.

Dec. 15, at 1:11 a.m., Officer Cole initiated a traffic stop in the 900 block of N. Lake Ave. A juvenile passenger in the vehicle fled on foot. Case open for investigation.

At 12:46 p.m., Officer Sebastian was dispatched to Dollar General Store parking lot in regards to a minor accident. Blue forms were issued to report the accident.

At 2:40 p.m., Officer Sebastian conducted an escort for Dulany Funeral Home.

At 4 p.m., Sgt. Nelson met with a transient in need of assistance at the PD. Assistance was provided.

At 4:50 p.m., Chief Lattimore met with a citizen at the PD in regards to a lost dog. The citizen found a well-groomed male dog (grey in color) wearing a red collar, loose in town. The dog will be held pending the location of the owner.

Note from Chief Lattimore

I realize that Christmas is right around the corner and some of you may be purchasing the new motor assisted scooters as gifts for loved ones, or for your personal use.

I wanted to make you aware that I am proposing an ordinance that will regulate the use of these motor assisted scooters in the city limits of Eagle Lake.

In an effort to keep our children (and some young-at-heart adults) safe, the proposed ordinance calls for the use of approved helmets by children (under 18) riders; restricts the areas where adults (over 18) may operate the scooters; and prohibits children from operating the scooters on "any path, trail, alley, street or highway within the City, except on paths and trails set aside for the exclusive operation of bicycles or on a sidewalk."

Violation of the proposed ordinance is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a maximum fine of \$500 if convicted.

County Treasurer Matus honored

At a special dinner during the Texas Public Funds Investment Conference, Colorado County Treasurer Diane Matus was honored for earning the Texas Association of Counties' County Investment Officer certification. The Texas Association of Counties and Vinson & Elkins sponsored the event.

The Texas Public Funds Investment Act requires the county's commissioners court to designate a county investment officer to invest county funds. These investment officers need to fully know the fundamentals of a sound investment policy and what is allowed under the rigid requirements of the Act.

Since 1992, the Texas Association of Counties has provided formal edu-

cation for county investment officers, including an optional certification program, which allows investment officers to earn and maintain the certified County Investment Officer (CIO) credential. In this program, students encounter 40-50 hours of classroom instruction and must pass an exam to achieve certification. To maintain the certification, county investment officers must complete 30 hours of continuing education the first year of acquiring the designation and 20 hours of continuing education annually thereafter. Matus was part of the Oct. 2003 class to achieve this certification.

In addition to CIO certification training, the Texas Association of

Counties expanded the program to provide for the needs of all officers involved in public funds investing on the local level by hosting the Texas Public Funds Investment Conference, held annually in Houston. The Texas Association of Counties is a non-profit organization that has for 30 years supported the efforts of county government.



Colorado County Treasurer Diane Matus, at left, displays her Texas Association of Counties' County Investment Officer certification with County Judge Al Jamison.

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COURTHOUSE REPORT

COUNTY COURT CASES FILED

Dec. 9, 2003

Clifton Mancias Sr., possession of marijuana (PoM).
Cleveland Hurd, public intoxication.
William B. Carlton, reckless driving.
Daniel Arturo Bernal, PoM.
Leroy E. Scott, assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Dec. 10, 2003

Cynthia Ann Moody, assault causing bodily injury to a family member.
James Ray Hurd, false report to a police officer.
Anthony Earl Carter, criminal trespass.
Gary Alan Jones, driving while license suspended (DWLS).
Mathew Thomas Peterson, DWLS.
Torrey Torres, DWLS.
Daniel Anthony Espitia, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Michael Dean Querry, assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Dec. 11, 2003

Robert Flores Jr., PoM.
Matthew Roland Taylor, DWI.
Anthony Fred Worm, PoM.
John Timothy Wimberly, DWI.
Jesus Cruz Jr., possession of a dangerous drug.
Clifton Oneal Daniels, assault causing bodily injury.
Keith Aaron Jones, DWI.
Josiah Clint Hughes, PoM.

Dec. 15, 2003

James Lee Hix, failure to identify fugitive.
Jose H. Trejo-Martinez, DWI.
Bradley Duane Schafer, PoM.
Patricia Ann Pelata, DWLS.
Kenneth Randall Vaughn, DWI, 2nd offense.
Erica Kay Berain, PoM.
Rene Alberto Robles, PoM.
Clarence E. Jecmenek, DWI, 2nd offense.
Ruben Martinez, DWLS.
Larry Jan Johnston, DWI.
Dolores Lalley Slater, DWI.
Bernardo P. Medina, failure to stop and give information.
Clinton B. West, possession of a controlled substance.

DIVORCE FILED

James Myron Paschal Jr. and Sandra Faye Brock Paschal; filed 12-8-03.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

John Augustine Ramirez and Meredith Margot Hopper; 12-9-03.
Ramon Velenzuela and Celsa Ojodea Zarate; 12-12-03.

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O Come, All Ye Faithful...

(And Ye Not So Faithful, Too!)

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Wednesday, December 24

6:00 PM

Eagle Lake United Methodist Church

(Corner of Prairie & Cemetery)

7:30 PM

Lehrer Memorial

United

Methodist Church

(Corner of Baxter & Mansfield in Garwood)

