

THE EAGLE LAKE HEADLIGHT

Division of Beal Publications, LLC • (USPS 163-760)
 P.O. Box 67 - 220 East Main
 CITY OF EAGLE LAKE, TEXAS 77434-0067
 979-234-5521 • Fax: 979-234-5522
 email: eaglelakeheadlight@sbcglobal.net
 Published Weekly-Every Thursday



The Eagle Lake Headlight reserves the right to reject, edit or omit editorial content and/or advertisement for any reason in order to conform to the paper's policy.

Produced and Distributed By:

James Sweet
 Carol Cardenas • Doug Beal
 Donna Samora

Advertising and News Deadline: 5 P.M. Monday

Subscription Rates

Colorado County (including Lissie & Egypt)	\$17.00
Fayette, Lavaca, Wharton & Austin Counties	\$19.50
Other Texas Residents	\$20.00
Outside of Texas; Inside U.S.	\$21.50

Single Copy Price : 50¢

Second class postage paid at Eagle Lake, Texas

Address Corrections should be sent to P.O. Box 67 Eagle Lake, Texas 77434-0067

Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri-8-5 Wed-10-3

Hurricane Humberto Strikes Three Texas Counties

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry on Sept. 13 declared Orange, Jefferson and Galveston counties a disaster area resulting from Hurricane Humberto.

Gov. Perry ordered state agency and military resources and personnel to the area before the storm hit.

Relief workers delivered generators, water and ice to stricken areas.

Humberto took only 18 hours to develop from a tropical depression into a Category 1 hurricane with sustained wind speeds in excess of 85 mph and heavy rains.

No tropical cyclone on record ever reached the intensity of Humberto at a faster rate near landfall, the National Hurricane Center reported.

After striking Texas, the weather system moved across Louisiana and Mississippi and into Alabama.

Entergy Texas, a major power provider in 26 counties including the three in the disaster zone, reported power outages to 118,019 customers.

Seventy-two hours after Humberto struck the coast, Entergy said power restoration to customers was almost complete.

A widely reported early estimate of damages caused by the hurricane came to about \$500 million.

The Texas Department of Insurance urged residents affected by the hurricane to call the consumer hotline, 1-800-252-3439 for answers to storm-related insurance questions.

Border security council is formed

Gov. Perry appointed 11 members to the newly created Texas Border Security Council to serve at his pleasure.

The council was created by Senate Bill 11 of the 80th Legislature.

The council's job will be to

devise performance standards, reporting requirements, audit methods and other procedures for homeland security fund allocation and use.

Council members include the presiding officer Cameron County Judge Carlos Cascos of Brownville, Brewster County Judge Val Clark Beard, Hudspeth County Judge Becky Dean-Walker, Victoria County Sheriff T. Michael O'Connor, Maverick County Sheriff Tomas S. Herrera, Secretary of State Phil Wilson, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Commissioner Buddy Garcia and Public Safety Commission member Allan Polunsky.

Three private businessmen, Fred Burton of Austin, Scott A. McLaughlin of El Paso, and Robert Braxton Holt of Midland, also were appointed to the council by Perry.

"Texans understand there can be no homeland security without border security," said Perry. "The members of the Border Security Council will play an important role in reinforcing the state's efforts to strengthen the safety and security of Texas."

More minorities take AP exams

The Texas Education Agency reported minority students represented 52 percent of all Advanced Placement test takers in Texas in 2007.

Fifty percent of those who took the test in 2006 identified themselves as minorities. In 2002, the figure was 45 percent.

High school students who score highly on AP exams can earn college credit for courses, saving their families thousands of dollars in tuition costs and giving students a head start on a college education, the TEA reported.

Wilson visits NYC for Texas
 Texas' new Secretary of State Phil Wilson, on the job since July 1, took a trip east to drum up business for the Lone Star State.

He had this to say: "During the trip we visited the New York Stock Exchange and discovered that Texas has 216 companies worth \$2.42 trillion that are publicly traded on the exchange — the most of any state in the nation."

"This is proof that the Lone Star State truly is 'wide open for



business' and has the potential to remain an economic powerhouse for years to come."

Wilson makes trips like this for Texas One, an outreach program to promote Texas as an attractive place for businesses to relocate.

City dedicates Richards bridge

The city of Austin on Sept. 7 officially renamed and dedicated the former Congress Avenue Bridge as Ann W. Richards Congress Avenue Bridge. Richards served as governor from 1991 to 1995. She died Sept. 13, 2006.

RUTH ELECTRA TERRY, B.C.-H.I.S.
 TX Licensed & Nationally Board Certified HEARING AID SPECIALIST
 Fitting and Dispensing of Hearing Aids
 Call for an appointment
 (979) 732-5791 or (800) 445-5062
 1221 Bowie • Columbus



34 Years Experience

Taco Tony's Mexican Restaurant
 20 Calhoun Road • Eagle Lake
 979-234-3984

Breakfast Specials: Mon.-Fri., 8 to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch and Dinner Specials
 Mon.-Fri. Beginning at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Buffet Tuesdays and Thursdays
 11 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Hours:
 Mon.-Thurs.: 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
 Fri. and Sat.: 8 a.m. to 9:15 p.m.
 Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.



Colorado County Sheriff's Report

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

Sunday, August 5

At 02:21 am, Deputy Staff responded to Weido Loop in reference to a Family Disturbance. After investigation, Kenneth Russell Murray, 25 of Columbus, was arrested for Assault by Contact Family Violence. Case Closed

At 03:00 am, Deputy Gonzales responded to Hattermann Lane in reference to a disturbance. After further investigation, the distur-

bance was found to be a verbal argument.. Case Closed

At 8:20 pm, Deputy Girndt met with a complainant in reference to Harassing Phone Calls. The complainant did not want to file charges. Case Closed.

Monday, August 6

At 12:37 am, Deputy Gonzalez was flagged down by a complainant at the Shell Station in Columbus. The complainant stated she was assaulted by her common law husband at the Budget Inn. After a further investigation, a warrant was issued for the suspect and the case is pending apprehension.

At 12:00 pm, Deputy Mieth spoke with a complainant in reference to Criminal Trespass. The complainant reported an oil field company trespassing on his property. The incident was determined to be a civil matter and the complainant was informed to contact an Attorney. Case Closed

At 1:00 pm, Deputy Craneck responded to a location on Cr 111 in reference to a Burglary of Habitation. After investigation it was found that numerous weapons and other items were taken from the residence. During the investigation, a suspect was developed and one of the stolen weapons was recovered. The case is pending further investigation and criminal charges.

At 3:41 pm, Deputy Mieth conducted a traffic stop in Weimar. After further investigation, Mark Henry Seifert, 46 of Weimar, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Case Closed

At 8:08 pm, Deputies responded to FM 109 to assist the Brenham PD and Washington County Sheriff's Office with a pursuit coming into Colorado County on FM 109. The suspect was apprehended at FM 1291 and Fischer Buller Road and Freddie Lee Franklin Jr., 27 of Brenham, was arrested and transported back to Washington County with multiple charges including Evading Arrest and Aggravated Assault. The case is pending evaluation of other charges in Colorado County.

Tuesday, August 7

At 3:05 pm, Deputy Craneck met with a complainant in reference to Fraudulent Use or Possession of Identifying Information. The complainant reported someone had obtained his debit card number and made purchases in Mexico. A report was filed and case pending further information

At 9:20 pm Deputy Thumann spoke with a complainant in reference to telephone harassment. After further investigation, a warrant was issued and Christopher Lee Machart, 24 of Sheridan, was arrested for Harassment. Case Closed.

At 11:00 pm, Deputy Thumann spoke with a complainant from Garwood in reference to telephone harassment. The complainant did not wish to file charges. Report was filed and case is closed.

Wednesday, August 8

At 12:05 am, Sgt. Edman arrested Brandon Lee Tyler, 24 of Sealy, on a warrant for Fraudulent

Use or Possession of Identifying Information. The warrant stems from a previous investigation conducted by the Colorado County Sheriff's Department.

At 9:35 pm, Deputy Pardo, Deputy Mieth, and Deputy Savino responded to CR 101 in reference to a subject making threats. After further investigation, it was determined the subject was suffering from a mental condition and was transported to Texana for evaluation. Case Closed.

At 5:47 pm, Deputy Savino responded to Splashway in Sheridan in reference to Burglary of Vehicle. The complainant stated someone entered the vehicle and removed a purse. Evidence was collected and the case is pending further investigation.

Thursday, August 9

At 11:35 am, Deputy Mieth conducted a traffic stop on IH-10 692 mile marker. After further investigation, Beau AC Marshall, 19 of Conroe, was arrested for Possession of Marihuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Case Closed.

At 10:27 am, Deputy Savino conducted a traffic stop at Hwy 71 and FM 333. After investigation, Arturo Ortiz Jr., 26 of Austin, was arrested for Possession of Marihuana. Case Closed by arrest.

At 09:00 pm, Deputy Thumann and Deputy Slubar responded to CR 2103 in reference to a Family Disturbance. After further investigation, Jose Mauricio Tapia, 24 of Weimar, was arrested for Family Violence Assault. Case Closed.

Friday, August 10

At 11:00 am, Deputy Pflughaupt met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Office about an auto pedestrian accident in Nada, which occurred back on June 1st 2007. A report was filed at the request of the complainant. Case Closed by this agency.

Saturday, August 11

At 2:35 pm, Deputy Pflughaupt responded to IH-10 near the 698 mile marker in reference to a road rage incident, involving a subject who was pointing a pistol at another motorist. The suspect vehicle was located and a pistol was recovered. After further investigation, Latessa Lashun

Rice, 26 of Sugar Land, was arrested for Deadly Conduct and Unlawful Carrying a Weapon. Case Closed.

At 7:19 pm, Deputy Gonzales and Sgt. Girndt responded to FM 109 in reference to a disturbance involving weapons. On arrival, the subjects involved with the disturbance had fled the scene, and it was determined that an assault had occurred. After further investigation, warrants were obtained and Jury Valladares, 25 of Brenham, and Rafael Marbelo Valladares, 31 of Brenham, were both arrested for Aggravated Assault. The case is pending the apprehension of a third suspect.

Sunday, August 12

At 01:09 am, Deputy Staff and Deputy Gonzalez responded to Big D's in Alleyton in reference to a fight in progress. During the investigation, it was determined the suspect had struck a pedestrian and three vehicles with his vehicle and tried to flee the scene. After further investigation, Javier Garcia Garay, 25 of Glidden, was for Aggravated Assault. Case Closed.

At 1:50 pm, Deputy Pflughaupt responded to IH-10 near the 700 mile marker in reference to a reported drunk driver. The suspect vehicle was located and the driver was found to be intoxicated. After further investigation, Elise Eileen Herrera, 50 of San Antonio, was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. Case Closed.

Monday, August 13

At 8:57 am, Deputy Pflughaupt conducted a traffic stop on FM 949 and Schmoeller Sens Road near Cat Spring. After investigation, Victor Maurice Shepherd, 34 of Katy, was arrested for Driving While License Invalid. Case Closed.

At 8:56 pm, Deputy Staff responded to FM 102 in reference to a Burglary of Habitation. During the investigation 2 generators were reported missing from the residence. Information was collected and the case is under investigation.

Tuesday, August 14

At 11:21 am, Deputy Savino was flagged down by a complainant in

Continued on page 3

Enter First National Bank's Friday Give Away!

The winner will receive a Rice Raider stadium seat.



One winner every Friday
 Entries Now Being Accepted
 Drawings will be held weekly during the
 Rice Raider football season.

Drawing will be held at 3:00 p.m.
 Ask your friendly teller for an entry ballot.
 (need not be present to win; no transaction necessary to enter)
 FNB employees and immediate family are not eligible to enter.

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

The following five individuals were sentenced by District Court Judge Kirkendall on Monday, Sept. 10.

Travis D. Armelin, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. Sentenced to three years TDC.

James F. Bloomfield, III, burglary of habitation. Sentenced to two years TDC.

Debra Knott, possession of a

controlled substance. Probation conditions modified to SAFFP.

Jorge Tapia, possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to four years deferred adjudication, fined \$1,000.

Brandon Michael Watts, driving while intoxicated/open container-3rd or more. Sentenced to five years, probated 10 years, fined \$1,000 to SAFFP.

Subscribe Today!
 979-234-5521