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Colorado County Sheriff's Report

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Dawn Ontiveros, 18 of Weimar, was arrested for driving while license invalid. Case closed.

At 9:30 am, Deputy Thumann conducted a traffic stop on Prairie and Union Street in Eagle Lake. After further investigation, Pedro Alberto Cortez, 21 of Eagle Lake, was arrested for driving while license invalid, disregarding stop sign, and failure to secure child in child safety seat. In addition, the driver was cited for open container. Case closed.

Wednesday, October 15

At 9:20 am, Deputy Argo responded to the Sheridan School in reference to two juveniles causing a disturbance in class. After further investigation, both students were issued citations for disruption of classes. Case closed.

At 9:42 am, Deputy Savino responded to the Borden Store in reference to criminal mischief. The complainant reported that someone damaged an advertisement sign. A report was filed and the case is pending further information.

At 1:51 pm, Deputy Savino responded to a residence on G. Miller Road north of Columbus in reference to criminal mischief. On arrival, the complainant reported that someone cut all 4 of his vehicle tires. There is one possible suspect and the case remains under investigation.

Thursday, October 16

At 12:40 am, Deputy Gonzalez responded to Old McDonald Road west of Columbus in reference to a fight in progress. On arrival, the suspect was identified and information was obtained. After further investigation, the

complainant refused to pursue charges. A report was filed and the case is closed.

Friday, October 17

At 9:18 am, Deputy Argo responded to property on CR 317 in reference to a land dispute between a property owner and hunter. The situation was temporarily resolved and the case will be closed unless future incidents occur.

At 12:30 pm, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to a student using profanity. After further investigation, the student was issued a citation for disorderly conduct. Case closed.

At 1:30 pm, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to a student threatening a teacher. After further investigation, the student was issued a citation for assault by threat. Case closed.

At 10:04 pm, Sgt. Staff responded to Rice Raider Stadium in reference to a disturbance. On arrival, the suspects had left the scene. After further investigation, three of the suspects were located and issued a criminal trespass warning for the school and one of the suspects, Charles Ray McMillian, 25 of Kendleton, was arrested for no driver's license and no proof of liability insurance. Case closed.

Sunday, October 19

At 12:38 am, Sgt. Staff responded to the Veteran's Memorial Center in Columbus in reference to a fight in progress. After further investigation, Tina Ann Hernandez, 23 of Columbus, was arrested for public intoxication. Case closed.

At 1:18 am, Sgt. Staff initiated a traffic stop on Hwy 71 and MLK in Columbus. After further investigation, Lynn Allen Reising, 39 of New Ulm, was arrested for driving while intoxicated. Case closed.

At 1:59 pm, Deputy Mieth responded to CR 230 near Weimar in reference to Burglary of a camp house. On arrival, evidence was collected and a description of stolen property was obtained. Case is pending further investigation.

At 6:48 pm, Deputy Zak responded to the Columbus ER in reference to a dog bite. The dog owner was identified and current vaccination records were obtained. The dog was quarantined by the owner at Brazos Bend Animal Clinic in Richmond. Case is closed unless the quarantine reveals the dog is unhealthy.

Monday, October 20

At 10 pm, Sgt. Pflughaupt responded to a residence on CR 204 near Weimar in reference to Criminal Trespass and Criminal Mischief. On arrival, evidence was collected and information was obtained on possible suspect(s). Case is pending further investigation.

At 2:27 pm, Deputy Mieth responded to CR 200 near Weimar in reference to a shot dog. The complainant reported she was forced to defend her property from a dog that had killed 4 calves and was in the process of attacking her and more livestock. A report was prepared and no charges were filed since the incident was justified.

At 5:07 pm, Deputy Mieth responded to a residence in Eagle Lake in reference to a suicidal subject. After further investigation, the subject was apprehended on a Peace Officer's Warrant for a mental health screening by Texana. After further investigation, the subject was released by Texana and transported back home. Case closed.

Tuesday, October 21

At 1:51 am, Deputy Zak conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 north of Altair. After further investigation, Alfredo Corona, 29 of Laredo, was arrested for no driver's license and no proof of liability insurance. Case closed.

At 10:40 am, Deputy Sgt. Girndt met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Office in reference to a possible Assault that occurred at a Ranch between Columbus and Weimar. The complainant did not wish to pursue charges. A report was filed and the case is closed.

At 1:46 pm, Deputy Mieth responded to a residence on Beard Street near Eagle Lake in refer-

ence to an assault. After further investigation, one suspect was issued a citation for assault by contact. Case closed.

Wednesday, October 22

At 8:35 am, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to a student with numerous unexcused absences. After further investigation, one student was issued a citation for failure to attend school (truancy). Case closed.

At 8:41 am, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to several students with numerous unexcused absences. After further investigation, 3 students were issued citations for failure to attend school (truancy). Case closed.

At 8:50 am, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to a student with numerous unexcused absences. After further investigation, one student was issued a citation for failure to attend school (truancy). Case closed.

At 9:05 am, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to a student with numerous unexcused absences. After further investigation, one student was issued a citation for failure to attend school (truancy). Case closed.

At 9:17 am, Deputy Argo responded to Rice High School in reference to a student with numerous unexcused absences. After further investigation, one student was issued a citation for failure to attend school (truancy). Case closed.

At 1 pm, Deputy Mieth located an abandoned vehicle on Hwy 90 east of Columbus. The vehicle was removed from the location by Colorado County Towing. Case closed.

At 6 pm, Deputy Martell responded to Texana in Columbus in reference to a mental patient. On arrival, patient was taken into custody on a Peace Officer's Warrant and transported to the Austin State Hospital for treatment. Case closed.

Thursday, October 23

At 3:20 am, Sgt. Pflughaupt located a vehicle parked on Hwy 90 near the 701 mile post. The vehicle was determined to be a road hazard and removed from the location by Delgado's Wrecker Service. Case closed.

At 12:30 pm, Sgt. Girndt met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Office about an assault with a vehicle that occurred on Old McDonald Road west of Columbus. After further investigation, a warrant was issued and Rebecca Ramirez, 24 of Columbus, was arrested for aggravated assault. Case closed.

SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 2008

Jail Population as of October 31, 2008 - 79 Inmates
\$ 9,257.62 Billed to Austin County for Housing Inmates during the month of October 2008
\$ 12,287.91 Billed to Dewitt County for Housing Inmates during the month of October 2008
80 Civil Papers Processed
74 Civil Papers Served
119 Traffic Citations Issued
207 Traffic Warning Citations Issued

11 Inmates Transported to TDC
1 Subject Transported to West Oaks Treatment Center
1 Inmate Picked Up on a Bench Warrant from TDC
2 Subjects Transported to Granger Treatment Center
1 Inmate Transported to Nueces County Treatment Center
6 Subject Transported to Austin State Hospital
1 Subject Transported to Vernon State Hospital
2 Juveniles Transported to Ft Bend Juvenile Facility
1 Juvenile Transported to Hays County Juvenile Facility
4 Prisoners Picked up from other counties on Outstanding Colorado County Warrants
79 Arrests made by Colorado County Sheriff's Deputies
88 Criminal and Civil Complaints answered by Sheriff's Deputies
39,427 - Miles Driven by Colorado County Sheriff's Deputies while Transporting, Patrolling, and Civil Process.

TPWD Gives Winter Hummingbird Advice

Don't take your hummingbird feeders down in October.

Many hummers are seeking a winter home in Texas, and they might be depending on you to provide them with the groceries needed to survive the winter.

It has been very common for people to take down their feeders after Halloween, or just leave them up as empty holiday ornaments because they thought all hummingbirds had left.

They were misguided in believing their feeders could stop the birds from migrating.

Researchers have shown through banding that hummingbirds visiting during the winter do survive and will come back in subsequent years.

Researchers believe a certain percentage of hummingbirds have the wrong map for where their traditional wintering grounds are located and will try to winter in Texas whether there are feeders available or not.

Furthermore, research in a rural subdivision near Victoria has shown that at least nine species

(Allen's, Anna's, Black-chinned, Broad-billed, Broad-tailed, Buff-bellied, Calliope, Ruby-throated, and Rufous), will spend the winter in the area, and as many as 160 individual hummingbirds will occur in that subdivision during winter.

This is a large number and highly diverse group of hummingbirds that were previously thought to be rare for the area.

Management of available habitat and large numbers of hummingbird feeders were the key to attracting and maintaining large numbers of wintering hummingbirds.

Wintering hummingbirds prefer dense thickets covered with vines at the edge of woods in areas that have lots of insects and nectar or sugar water.

How can landowners use this information to provide for more hummingbirds wintering in their area?

Wintering hummingbirds are attracted to lots of food in settings where they feel protected from severe weather, predators and

per acre, up 700 pounds from a year ago and unchanged from last month.

The 2008 Texas soybean crop is forecast at 4.6 million bushels, up 34 percent from last year's production and unchanged from last month's forecast.

Yield is expected to average 22 bushels per acre, down 15 bushels from last year and unchanged from last month.

United States corn production is forecast at 12.0 billion bushels, down 8 percent from last year's crop and down 2 percent from last month.

A yield of 153.8 bushels per acre is forecast, up 2.7 bushels from last year and down 0.1 bushels from last month.

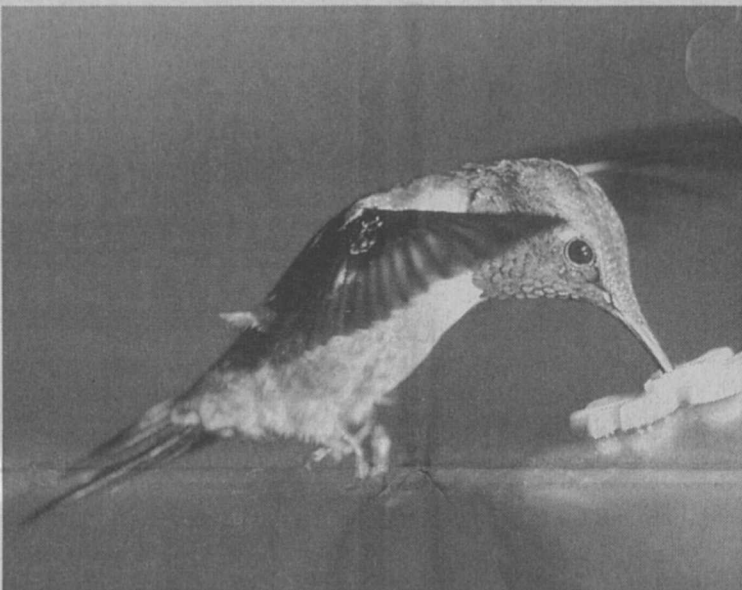
The sorghum crop is down 8 percent from last year to 465 million per hundredweight.

The U.S. Upland cotton crop is expected to total 13.1 million bales, down 29 percent from last year, and down 1 percent from October.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.92 billion bushels, up 9 percent from last year, and down slightly from last month.

The U.S. peanut crop is estimated at 4.99 billion pounds, up 36 percent from a year ago.

U.S. rice production is forecast at 203 million per hundredweight, down less than 1 percent from October but up 3 percent from 2007.



other hummingbirds.

Hummingbird hosts should focus on increasing the amount of suitable habitat and food offered to the birds.

Dense shrubbery and vines are a prime habitat.

Yaupon, privet, grape and honeysuckle vines and different species of shrubs are attractive. Provide as many flowering plants suitable for hummers.

Some of the preferred fall and winter hummer plants are shrimp, native Turk's-cap, Mexican Turk's-cap, cape honeysuckle and red sage.

Place and maintain hummingbird feeders within this dense shrubbery spaced at about 5 yard intervals.

The research area near Victoria manages 75 feeders.

This site focuses on placing

some feeders in exposed settings and others within the dense bushes.

Researchers have found that dominant hummingbirds like Rufous are likely to use the feeders in the open and the more timid hummers like Allen's, Calliope and Black-chinned are more likely to use the feeders within the bushes.

Do not place feeders in clusters, as frequently done for migrating Ruby-throats, because this allows for one hummingbird to control use of all of the feeders.

Keep your feeders clean, and inspect them twice a week.

Enjoy your winter visitors. If you wish to contact your local biologist for assistance, check the Web site at <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/wildlifebiologists>.

4-H Archers Participate In Recent Tourneys

Colorado County 4-H Archery Project participants recently participated in archery contests in LaWard and Victoria. The LaWard tournament was held October 30 and November 1. Christopher Phelps placed first in the Junior-Barebow-Open and Taylor Hollmann placed first in the Senior 1-Recurve-Ladies 40cm.

The Victoria tournament was held at the Victoria 4-H Shooting Range on November 6 and 8. Christopher Phelps

placed first in the Junior-Barebow-Open with a score of 232. Mikayla Hollmann scored 386 and placed fifth in the Intermediate-Recurve-Ladies. Bonnie Winkler placed first in Intermediate-Barebow-Ladies with a score of 308 and Taylor Hollmann placed second in Senior 1-Recurve-Ladies with a score of 354.

The District 11 4-H Archery Tournament is scheduled for December 13, in Goliad.

CDA Monthly Meeting Held November 11

Catholic Daughters Court Our Lady of the Rosary #1595 held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 11, at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Nada. Prior to the meeting, a Memorial Service and Mass for deceased members was held in the church. Members carried candles to the altar as each deceased member's name was called.

The meeting was called to order by Regent, Bernita Korenek. Officers and Committee Chairmen gave their reports. Senior Citizen Domino Party Chairman, Helen Noteboom, reported that

the party for November will be held on November 19.

The membership voted to make donations to the Reflection of Faith Campaign and Diocesan Services Appeal.

Donations for Christmas poinsettias will be collected again this year. Anyone wishing to donate may leave the donation at Nada Grocery.

Our next meeting will be held on December 9. After the meeting, Christmas cheer baskets will be prepared for the sick, shut-ins, and elderly members of our community.

Texas Crop Forecast

The 2008 Texas Upland cotton crop is expected to total 5.1 million bales, down 38 percent from 2007 and down 4 percent from last month, according to the Texas Field Office.

Yield is expected to average 731 pounds per acre, down 28 pounds from last month and 112 pounds less than a year ago.

Corn production is forecast at 271 million bushels, down 8 percent from last year's production and up 2 percent from last month.

Based on Nov. 1 conditions, statewide yield is expected to average 129 bushels per acre, 19 bushels less than in 2007 and up 2 bushels from last month.

Texas peanut production, at 825 million pounds, is up 19 percent from last year.

Statewide yield, at 3300 pounds per acre, is down 400 pounds from last year and down 200 pounds from last month.

Sorghum production is forecast at 161 million bushels, virtually unchanged from last year and unchanged from last month.

Yield, at 52 bushels per acre, is down 14 bushels from last year and unchanged from last month.

Rice production is forecast at 12.3 million per hundredweight, up 29 percent from 2007 and unchanged from last month.

Yield is forecast at 7300 pounds

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Chamber "Parade of Lights" is Dec. 13

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual traditional Christmas "Parade of Lights" parade on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 6:45 p.m. Lineup starts at 5 p.m.; judging from 6-6:30. Submit your entry form by Wednesday, Dec. 10. Refreshments will be sold. For more information or to have an entry form mailed, faxed or emailed to you call the chamber at 979-234-2780 (8:30-noon) or email: chamber@elc.net.