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Gov. Names New Leaders For Youth Commission

AUSTIN – Officially, the Texas Youth Commission provides services to delinquent youths, ages 10 to 19, through programs and facilities that administer constructive training for rehabilitation.

The troubled agency has been through a series of leadership changes following allegations of sexual abuse by overseers and mismanagement.

Now, there will be a new leadership team. Gov. Rick Perry on Sept. 2 announced the naming of Scott Fisher of Bedford chair of the Texas Youth Commission.

Fisher is senior pastor of Metroplex Chapel of Euless. He is a member of Texas Hospital Trustees and Tarrant County Hospital District Board of Managers. He is a past member of the Texas Ethics Commission and Texas Youth Commission Advisory Board.

Perry also appointed five members to the commission for terms to expire Sept. 1, 2011:

• Joseph Brown of Sherman, criminal district attorney of Grayson County

• Larry Carroll of Midland, a past member of the TYC Advisory Board, who is executive director of the Permian Basin Community Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation

• Manson B. Johnson of Houston, pastor of Holman Street Baptist Church

• Rolando Olvera of Brownsville, Cameron County district judge; and

• David Teuscher of Beaumont, a licensed physician and orthopedic surgeon at the Beaumont Bone and Joint Institute.

Red snapper fishing results in fines

Red snapper reportedly is a main target of charter boats, and it is one of the most over-fished resources in the Gulf of Mexico. In 2003, a federal moratorium was placed on permits to limit access to the fishery in an effort to maintain sustainability of red snapper.

The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration's law enforcement arm and Texas Parks & Wildlife Department agents conducted a year-long undercover operation that resulted in more than $100,000 in charges against Texas-based owners and operators of seven charter boats. Undercover agents and investigators documented violations on each vessel for operating without federal charter boat moratorium permits.

Since this moratorium, the only way to obtain a permit was to purchase one from an existing holder. This has raised the value of the permits, which are valued today between $8,000 and $10,000 according to NOAA authorities.

RRC gets funding for propane vehicles

Railroad Commissioner Michael Williams on Aug. 26 hailed news that a grant had been received to pay for 882 clean-burning propane fueled vehicles to be added to fleets operating at schools, state agencies and local government entities.

In May, the Railroad Commission - the state's energy agency - applied for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding through the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Cities grant program.

The Commission was awarded $12.6 million, with a match of $37.7 million from the grant participants, for the purchase of 245 propane school buses and 637 light- and medium-duty propane trucks, vans and cars. The total project is $50.4 million.

"Schools and local governments have shown tremendous interest in alternative fuels, Williams said. "This grant helps support their efforts and manage the initial cost of switching to a cleaner, domestically produced fuel. Clearly, these entities want to reduce tailpipe emissions from diesel exhausts and be responsible with taxpayers' dollars. As an added benefit, propane is domestically produced, so the schools and local governments are helping improve our energy security, too."

Texas to recover money in Medicaid fraud

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, a coalition of state attorneys general and the U.S. Department of Justice announced the resolving of a Medicaid fraud investigation into pharmaceutical giant Pfizer Inc.

Texas' share will be $55 million of more than $1 billion recovered for state Medicaid programs and several federal programs.

According to investigators, Pfizer deceptively marketed its antipsychotic drug Geodon, its arthritis pain medication Bextra, which is no longer on the market, and 11 other pharmaceutical products.

The investigation revealed that Pfizer unlawfully promoted atypical antipsychotic Geodon for use by Medicaid-eligible children to treat numerous conditions, including attention deficit disorder and anxiety.

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State Capital
HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

Let's Look Back...

24 Years Ago

October 2, 1985

Hebert Biersdorfer, 74, of Shiner, father of **Mrs. Kenneth Austin** of Eagle Lake passed away on Sunday, September 29 in Shiner. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 1 at 2 p.m. from Buffington Funeral Home in Shiner with **Rev. Dr. Paul Cooper** officiating. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery in Flatonia...

Page Samuel Rowe, 70, of Richmond passed away on September 26 at the Poly Ryan Hospital in Richmond following a brief illness. Graveside services and burial were held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 28 at Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake with **Rev. Alvin Robinson** of Richmond officiating...

Rice High School has been notified by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation that **David C. Flathmann** son of **Rev. and Mrs. Albert Flathmann** of Eagle Lake has been designated a commended student in the 1986 merit program...

Victoria Marianna Darden, daughter of **Clifton and Beth Darden** of Sheridan has been selected winner of the annual Bausch and Lomb Science Award at Rice High School...

Anselin Miller Reed was born September 20 at Harris Hospital Methodist in Fort Worth at 4:15 a.m. to **John Howard** and **Larraine Lyter Reed**.

Colorado County Courthouse Report

Nineteen Sentenced In County Court

Nineteen individuals were sentenced in Colorado County Court on Wednesday, September 2. They included:

Michael Adam Thompson, fail to identify giving false/fictitious info. Sentenced to 10 days in jail, fined $500 plus court costs.

Michael A. Adams, driving while intoxicated-2nd. Sentenced to 60 days in jail.

James David Bruce, criminal trespass. Sentenced to 12 days in jail, fined $500 plus court costs.

Robert Thomas Bruce, assault causes bodily injury family member. Sentenced to 45 days in jail – weekends.

Armando Correa-Vargas, driving while intoxicated. Sentenced to 20 days in jail, fined $500 plus court costs, six months driver's license suspension.

Daymien Crew, fail to identify fugitive intent give false info (count I); possession of marijuana (Count II). Sentenced to 30 days in jail on both counts.

Nelson R. Dabney, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Joe Espinoza, theft. Sentenced to 60 days in jail, fined $500, restitution.

Glen Gutierrez, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to 10 days in jail, fined $500 plus court costs.

Jody Allen Guynes, JP Appeal. Fined $200 plus court costs.

Omar M. Hadidi, possession of marijuana. Fined $350 plus court costs.

Deana Hamilton, theft stolen property. Sentenced to 180 days in jail.

Jerry B. Houston, Jr., possession of marijuana. Sentenced to three days in jail, fined $350 plus court costs.

Emil B. Klusacek, Jr., possession of marijuana. Sentenced to 15 days in jail, fined $750 plus court costs.

Mary Madden, theft. Sentenced to two years deferred adjudication, fined $250 plus court costs.

Patrick Middleton, theft. Sentenced to three days in jail, fined $100 plus court costs.

Dwayne Oltz, criminal trespass in habitation/super fund site. Sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Thomas Neal Rocha, assault causes bodily injury. Sentenced to two years deferred adjudication, fined $500 plus court costs, no contact with victim.

Ashley Rodriguez, bail jumping and fail to appear. Sentenced to 25 days in jail.

Ashley Rodriguez, possession of marijuana. Fined $250 plus court costs.

Colorado County Sheriff's Report

Saturday, August 1

At 4:30 p.m., Deputy Lindemann and Sgt. Staff responded to the Alleyton Shell in reference to a verbal disturbance. After further investigation, the incident was determined to be a civil matter.

At 4:41 p.m., Deputy Hudson conducted a traffic stop on CR 116 and CR 111. After further investigation, one subject was arrested for no proof of liability insurance.

At 5:28 p.m., Deputy Lindemann responded to the Rock Island Community Center in reference to a disoriented elderly person carrying a suitcase with weapons. The subject was located and taken into custody on a Peace Officer's Warrant for a mental health evaluation. After the evaluation, the patient was transported to the Behavioral Hospital of Bellaire.

At 8:45 p.m., Deputy Martell and Deputy Templeton responded to the Weimar Community Park on CR 202 in reference to an assault. After further investigation, Cornelius Rashun Sidney, 25, of Hallettsville, was arrested on for family violence assault and endangering a child.

At 10 p.m., Deputy Lindemann and Sgt. Staff responded to a residence on Piper League Road in New Ulm in reference to an assault. After further investigation, William Clayton Rains, 38, of New Ulm, was arrested on warrants for criminal mischief and family violence assault.

Sunday, August 2

At 12:30 p.m., Deputy Hudson responded to CR 106 south of Columbus in reference to mailbox damage. On arrival, it was determined that two road signs had been damaged along with the mailbox. Case is pending further information.

At 4:55 p.m., Deputy Lindemann and Sgt. Staff responded to IH-10 east bound near the 707 mile marker in reference to subjects in a Chevy truck brandishing a shotgun. The suspect vehicle was located on IH-10 by the Sealy Police Department. After further investigation, Robert Lazenby Wright III, 19, of Baytown, and Michael Ryan Mason, 17, of Baytown, were both arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

At 7:37 p.m., Deputy Martell responded to the Colorado County Jail in reference to an assault on a public servant by an inmate. After further investigation, Raymond Hernandez, 40, of Columbus, was arrested for assault on a public servant.

Monday, August 3

At 5:40 a.m., Deputy Ortiz responded to the IH-10 westbound rest area in reference to an abandoned vehicle. The vehicle was towed.

At 9 a.m., Lt. Neisner was contacted by CPS in reference to a possible sexual assault of a child. Case remains under investigation.

At 7 p.m., Sgt. Pflughaupt responded to a residence in Nada in reference to harassment and sexual assault. Case is pending further investigation.

At 8:30 p.m., Sgt. Pflughaupt responded to FM 2437 in reference to illegal dumping. The offense was determined to be in Lavaca County and was turned over to Lavaca County Sheriff's Office.

At 9:40 p.m., Deputy Zak and Deputy Blair were dispatched to IH-10 in reference to a reckless driver. After further investigation Wayne Gordon Cassell, 58, of Columbus, was arrested for DWI and driving while license invalid. Guyon Drew Cassell, 46, of Columbus, was arrested for public intoxication. Case closed by arrest.

Tuesday, August 4

At 9:35 a.m., Deputy Ortiz responded to Zimmerscheidt Rd in regards to cattle doing damage to a neighbor's property. The incident was resolved civilly and the case is closed.

At 11:15 a.m., Deputy Abbott

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PACKER COWS		
Higher dressing utility & cutter cows		37-47
Lower dressing utility & cutter cows		27-37
Thin Cows		19-30
PACKER BULLS		
Heavyweight bulls		51-62
Utility cutter bulls		43-50
STEERS	#1	#2
150-300 lbs	112-142	94-112
300-400 lbs	110-135	94-109
400-500 lbs	101-116	85-98
500-600 lbs	90-105	83-91
600-700 lbs	84-95	73-83
700-800 lbs	79-89	70-80
HEIFERS	#1	#2
150-300 lbs	104-132	97-109
300-400 lbs	94-127	88-104
400-500 lbs	94-112	86-102
500-600 lbs	90-101	75-92
600-700 lbs	78-90	64-80
700-800 lbs	75-85	65-75
STOCKER COWS	Good Stocker Cow/	
Calf Pairs		800-950
Medium Cow/calf Pairs		600-800
Common Cow/calf Pairs		500-650
Good Stocker Cows & Heifers		600-850
Medium Stocker Cows & Heifers		400-600