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Texas Prisons Not Top Priority For H1N1 Vaccinations

AUSTIN — According to the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, at the top of the list to receive H1N1 "swine flu" vaccinations are:

- Pregnant women;

- Those who care for infants under 6 months of age;
- Health care and EMS workers;
- Those ranging from 6 months through 24 years of age; and

- 25- to 64-year-olds with underlying medical conditions.
Texas has not allocated any H1N1 vaccine to prisons, but a limited supply will be going to the prison system to vaccinate those most at risk.

Furthermore, prisoners are not a priority group to receive the vaccine and will not be vaccinated ahead of the general public, the state Department of Health Services announced in an Oct. 28 news release.

Health care providers who serve pregnant women in prisons have requested vaccine from the Texas Department of State Health Services. It is unclear when the state will be able to fill those orders given the limited national supply of the vaccine.

In other news, Texas had expected to receive 3.4 million doses of the vaccine by mid-October, but the state has been allocated less than 1.7 million doses so far.

Tuition program change possible

On Nov. 5, the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board will consider a recommendation by Texas Comptroller Susan Combs that it adopt the former refund rule for the Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan.

If the board adopts Combs' recommendation, families will no

longer need to decide by Nov. 30 whether to cancel their contract in order to receive tuition-based earnings.

Combs also plans to recommend that families who cancelled contracts during an ongoing opt-out period be allowed to resume their contracts if they choose to do so.

However, Combs said, the plan faces a projected funding shortfall in the neighborhood of \$2 billion that may appear as early as 2015. She said she wants lawmakers to address funding of the plan in the 2011 legislative session.

Lauded Panhandle lawmaker dies

Former state senator Teel Bivins of Amarillo died of progressive supranuclear palsy on Oct. 26. He was 61.

Bivins was a rancher and businessman. He had never held an elected public office before he won the Texas Panhandle's Senate District 31 seat in 1988. Bivins achieved high marks as chairman of the State Education Committee and later as chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee.

The Republican played key roles in the passage of tort reform and school finance legislation. He held the Senate seat until 2004 and resigned when then-President George W. Bush appointed him

U.S. ambassador to Sweden. Bivins served in that capacity until 2006 and returned to Amarillo.

Projects must be paid for up-front

Seven road building and improvement projects with an overall estimated price tag of \$193 million were approved by the Texas Transportation Commission on Oct. 29.

The projects are in the following counties: Bell, Bexar, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Hood, Parker and Travis.

Funding will be by "pass-through" financing, in which local municipalities or private entities pay up front, and get reimbursed from the state as the project becomes operational.

The Texas Transportation Commission is a five-member body that oversees the Texas Department of Transportation.

Perry says stop transport of aliens

Gov. Rick Perry on Oct. 31 sent a letter to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security urging the federal government to stop its plans to transport undocumented people from other states into Texas for the purpose of deportation.

The Alien Transfer and Exit Program, which began Nov. 1, may transport undocumented people through Presidio.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Perry said the program would "increase the likelihood that these individuals will immediately cross back into Texas, which is already bearing an uneven burden in dealing with immigration and border security issues along the Texas-Mexico border."

Device helps in bird identification

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department announced the debut of "eBird Trail Tracker," a device that allows bird watchers to record sightings and use an online, interactive database to see what other birders have reported.

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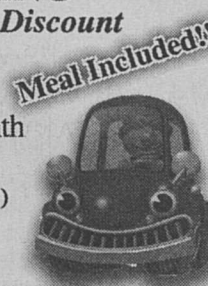
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November 28, 1985

Mr. and Mrs. George Richey Cook of Hockley announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, born November 18 at 12:10 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. The baby was named Elizabeth Nicole and weighed eight pounds, eight ounces...

Carol and Robert Hancock of Baytown are the proud parents of their first child, a girl, born Sunday, November 10 at 10:53 a.m. in Gulf Coast Hospital in Baytown and has been named Kelly Shea. She weighed eight pounds, seven ounces and was 21 inches long...

Dr. and Mrs. Ronald W. Zboril of Bellville, announce the birth of their second child, a son, Ryan Thomas. Ryan was born Monday, November 4 and weighed 10 pounds, two ounces and measured 21 1/8 inches long...

Melanie Brown of Garwood who turned one on November 7 celebrated her birthday on November 10 at her grandparents house. Hosting the party were her parents, Tony and Sheryl Brown...

Lee J. Dungen, 88, of Columbus father of Sissy Brisco of Eagle Lake passed away on Saturday, November 23 at Sweetbriar Nursing home in Brenham. Funeral services were conducted at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

in Columbus with Rev. Robert Schlortt officiating. Burial followed at Odd Fellows Rest Cemetery in Columbus.

Frank and Barbara Pidgeon recently returned home from a visit to Lincoln, Nebraska. Upon their return home, they received news that they had become grand-

parents. The new grandson is the son of Jody and Russell Birk, Barbara's daughter and son-in-law in Arizona.

24 YEARS AGO

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

Grand Jury
Indicts Twenty

Twenty individuals were indicted by the Colorado County Grand Jury on Oct. 20.

They included:

--Vanessa A. Barretto, 20, of San Antonio, possession of cocaine on Sept. 27.
--Kenneth R. Brinkmann II of Eagle Lake, burglary on Aug. 16.
--Pedro Calderon-Mendez, 27, of Weimar, DWI on Sept. 6.
--Manuel S. Ebarra, 44, Eagle Lake, theft of a firearm on Sept. 9 and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.
--Victor M. Ferman, 43, of Katy, DWI on Sept. 5.
--Charles B. Gilbert, 59, of Silver Point, Tenn., unauthorized use of a motor vehicle on Sept. 15.
--Calvin P. Hill, 62, of Eagle Lake, possession of a controlled substance, cocaine, on Sept. 5.
--Shannon M. Isaacs, 23, of Weimar, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle on Aug. 12.
--Cassandra M. Kovar, 18, of Alleyton, graffiti, on Oct. 5.

Christopher R. Kulhanek, 20, New Ulm, burglary on Sept. 14.

--Brandon R. Martin, 22, of Hallettsville, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle on Sept. 10.

--Jose Gonzalez Montano, 24, of Columbus, burglary, aggravated assault and attempted sexual assault on May 2.

--Travis Noska, 17, of New Ulm, burglary on Sept. 14.

--Jesse A. Peterson, 19, of Fayetteville, burglary on Sept. 14.

--Kevin O. Phynon, 21, of Eagle Lake, burglary on Aug. 16.

--Louis V. Resendiz, 48, of San Marcos, injury to a child or the elderly on Sept. 26.

--Alonzo Servin, 25, of Columbus, possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility, Sept. 6.

--John R. Villanueva, 31, of Littlefield, possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility, on Sept. 16.

--Frederick O. Wilks Jr., 17, of Eagle Lake, burglary of a building on Aug. 16.

--Armando B. Zulaica, 41, Columbus, forgery of a government instrument on Aug. 29.

tenced to six years ID-TDCJ. Kenneth W. Kunetka, possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to 540 days in state jail.

Andrew J. Manuel, evading arrest/detention using vehicle. Sentenced to 12 months state jail, probated four years, fined \$1,000, 30 days jail as condition of probation.

Luis Vega Resendez, injury to a child/elderly/disabled with intent bodily injury. Sentenced to two years ID-TDCJ.

Brian O'Neil Shorter, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. Sentenced to three years deferred adjudication, fined \$500, 30 days in jail as condition of probation.

John Spindler, criminal mischief. Sentenced to three years deferred adjudication, fined \$250.

Robert Lazenby Wright, III, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Sentenced to three years deferred adjudication, fined \$1,000, 28 days in jail as condition of probation.

Armando Barrios Zulaica, forgery government instrument/money/securities. Sentenced to 365 days in county jail, reduced to Class A, attempted forgery under 12.44(6).

Colorado
County Court

Two individuals were sentenced in Colorado County Court on Wednesday, Oct. 28. They included:

Kelly Cantu, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to one year deferred adjudication, fined \$350, ordered to attend drug class, plus court costs.

James Venezia, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to one year deferred adjudication, fined \$600, 25 community service hours, ordered to enter drug class, \$140 restitution, plus court costs.

Fourteen
Sentenced In
District Court

Fourteen individuals were sentenced in Colorado County District Court on Monday, Nov. 2. They included:

Sharon D. Caine, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Sentenced to 10 days in jail, \$200 probation fine.

Deborah Gonzales Cantu, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Sentenced to three years deferred adjudication SAFFP.

Manuel Stephen Ebarra, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. Sentenced to 15 years ID-TDCJ.

Manuel Stephen Ebarra, theft of a firearm. Sentenced to 15 years ID-TDCJ.

Ramiro Galvan-Vasquez, possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to three years deferred adjudication, fined \$1,000.

Richard Garcia, driving while intoxicated 3rd or more. Sentenced to seven years ID-TDCJ.

Danny Gonzales, possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to 16 months state jail, probated five years, fined \$500.

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Trinidad Gutierrez, Jr., driving while intoxicated 3rd or more. Sen-

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