

Eagle Lake Police Department Report

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

February 8

At 8:05 am, Officer Jared Butts was dispatched to the 600 block of Clark St. in regards to violations of the animal control ordinance. Warnings were issued.

At 10:30 am, Officer Butts was dispatched to a loose horse in the 800 block of Warwick St. A citation was issued for the violation of the animal control ordinance.

At 10:42 am, Lt. David Wiese spoke via phone with a caller in regards to a child custody matter. Information was received.

At 10:54 am, Lt. Wiese met with a complainant at the Police Department in regards to juvenile problems. Information was received.

At 11:48 am, Lt. Wiese spoke via phone with a caller in regards to a missing dog. Information was received.

At 1:05 pm, Lt. Wiese received a report of alleged child abuse from CPS. Case open for investigation.

At 1:05 pm, Chief W. E. Lattimore spoke via phone with a caller in regards to found property. Information was received.

At 1:25 pm, Lt. Wiese spoke via phone with a caller in regards to a property dispute. Information was received.

At 1:50 pm, Officer Butts provided a business escort.

At 1:50 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to the 500 block of E. Davitt St. in regards to a violation of the animal control ordinance. A written warning was issued.

At 2:35 pm, Lt. Wiese spoke via phone with a caller in regards to juvenile problems. Information was received.

At 6:25 pm, Officer Jessica Alvarado was dispatched to the 300 block of Fourth St. in regards to a disturbance. The matter was settled at the scene.

At 8:38 pm, Officer Alvarado located an open gate in the 1700 block of E. Main St. All was found to be in order.

At 10:48 pm, Sgt. John Sebastian provided a business escort.

At 10:55 pm, Officer Alvarado

located an open door in the 200 block of Golf Course Road. The building was checked and secured.

February 9

At 8:05 am, Officer Butts located several cows on East Ash Road near the airport runway. The cows were chased into a field. The airport operator was notified about the hazard. A possible cow owner was notified.

At 2:39 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to the 100 block of Boothe Drive in regards to a suspicious person. The described person was not located.

At 5:31 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to the city limits on FM 3013 in regards to a reckless driver coming in to town. The described vehicle was not located.

At 6:50 pm, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 600 block of Pendleton St. in regards to a 9-1-1 hang-up. All was found to be in order.

At 9:36 pm, Sgt. Sebastian provided a business escort.

February 10

At 12:16 am, Sgt. Sebastian was dispatched to the 800 block of S. McCarty St. in regards to an activated alarm. All was found to be in order.

At 4:15 am, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 600 block of Clark St. in regards to a loose dog. Information was received.

At 10:10 am, Officer Brandon Wilson was flagged down in the 500 block of E. Main St. in regards to identity theft. Information was received.

At 11:35 am, Lt. Wiese spoke via phone with a caller in regards to illegally parked vehicles. Information was received.

At 6:05 pm, Officer Tomas

Gonzales was advised of a reckless driver. The described vehicle was not located.

At 8:09 pm, Sgt. S. D. Nelson assisted a transient in the 700 block of S. McCarty St.

At 10:00 pm, Sgt. Nelson provided a business escort.

At 10:15 pm, Officer Gonzales provided a business escort.

At 10:58 pm, Officer Gonzales was dispatched to Lakeside Drive in regards to a reckless driver. The described vehicle was not located.

February 11

At 8:10 am, Lt. Wiese received a report of alleged child abuse from CPS. Case open for investigation.

At 10:40 am, Officer Brandon Wilson enforced the 18-wheeler ordinance in the 700 block of Church St.

At 10:10 pm, Officer Gonzales was dispatched to the 200 block of Philips St. in regards to a suspicious person. The described person was not located.

At 10:34 pm, Sgt. Nelson provided a business escort.

At 11:37 pm, Sgt. Nelson met with a repo man at the PD in regards to a vehicle repossession.

February 12

At 9:48 am, Officer Butts provided a business escort.

At 11:45 am, Officer Butts checked on a suspicious vehicle on Lakeview Lane. All was found to be in order.

At 4:11 pm, Officer Butts spoke via phone with a caller in regards to a child custody matter. Information was received.

At 10:00 pm, Sgt. Sebastian provided a business escort.

February 13

At 12:39 am, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 600 block of Keith St. in regards to a vehicle

stuck in the ditch. Crash report completed. Citation issued.

At 2:10 am, Officer Alvarado spoke via phone with a caller in regards to a close patrol.

At 3:23 am, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 300 block of S. Austin Road in regards to suspicious noises. The source of the noise was not located.

At 9:13 am, Officer Butts met with a comp. at the PD in regards to a civil matter. Information was received.

At 10:37 am Officer Butts checked on a suspicious vehicle in the 500 block of W. Main St. All was found to be in order.

At 12:44 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to Lakeside Drive in regards to an activated alarm. All was found to be in order.

At 2:48 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to the 600 block of Church St. in regards to a violation of the city's burning ordinance. A warning was issued.

At 5:15 pm, Officer Butts checked on suspicious activity on East Ash Road. All was found to be in order.

At 6:58 pm, Sgt. Sebastian spoke via phone with a caller in regards to a civil matter. Information was received.

At 10:33 pm, Sgt. Sebastian provided a business escort.

At 10:52 pm, Sgt. Sebastian was dispatched to the 400 block of E. State St. in regards to a parking problem. The matter was settled at the scene.

February 14

At 12:58 am, Sgt. Sebastian was dispatched to the 500 block of Glen Flora Road in regards to missing property. Information was received.

At 2:06 am, Sgt. Sebastian provided crowd control in the 500 block of E. Main St.

At 3:30 am, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 400 block of E. Union St. in regards to a disturbance. The matter was settled at the scene.

At 5:40 am, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 100 block of Laughlin Road in regards to a parking problem. The matter was settled at the scene.

At 2:34 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to the city limits on Hwy 90A in regards to a reckless driver coming towards town. The described vehicle was located. Citations were issued.

At 5:30 pm, Officer Butts was dispatched to the 500 block of S. Austin Road in regards to a loose horse. The horse was penned.

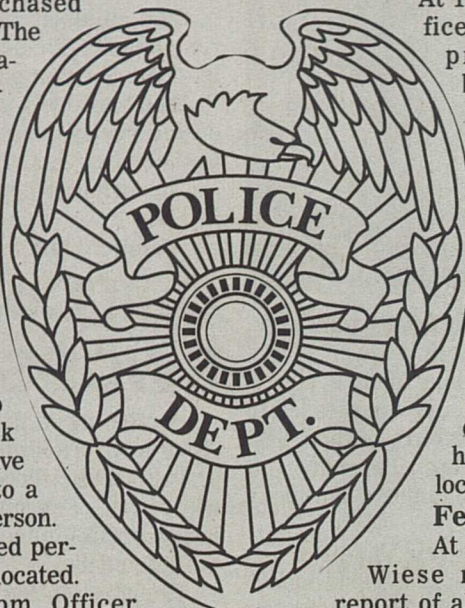
At 9:40 pm, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 500 block of Westmoreland St. in regards to a child custody matter. The matter was settled at the scene.

At 10:02 pm, Sgt. Nelson provided a business escort.

At 11:28 pm, Sgt. Nelson was dispatched to the 400 block of W. Main St. in regards to damaged property. Information was received.

February 15

At 5:30 am, Officer Alvarado was dispatched to the 1300 block of Murphy St. in regards to a loose horse. The horse was penned.



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40 Year Sentence For Columbus Man

On Feb. 8, a Columbus man was sentenced to 40 years in prison for attempting to kill two people with a pistol.

On June 14, 2009 Andre De-wayne Carter, 20, went to the

residence of Thomas Whitehead of Glidden, shot him twice with a pistol, and fired several shots at Whitehead's 8½-month pregnant daughter, De'Onna Whitehead, who was his girlfriend, but missed.

Thomas Whitehead was airlifted from the Columbus Community Hospital to Brackenridge Hospital in serious condition following the shooting.

The Colorado County Sheriff's Office investigated the shooting.

Carter was taken into custody within hours of the shooting with the assistance of Columbus Police Department Officer Hollie Shanklin.

Carter pleaded guilty to the charge of attempted capital murder

and Judge W. C. Kirkendall sentenced the defendant following a pre-sentence investigation by probation officer Lisa Rolirad.

Whitehead was unable to attend the sentencing hearing since he was undergoing surgery for a reverse colostomy procedure as a result of the shooting.

Colorado County Attorney Ken Sparks praised the investigative and cooperative efforts of Sheriff's Deputies Jeff Head, Justin Lindemann, Donald Hudson, Sgt. Chad Girndt, Sgt. Skip Edman, and DPS Troopers Klent Tipton, Tommy Janak, and Sgt. Gary Chandler.

Sparks explained that the defendant must serve at least 20 years in prison before he is eligible for parole.

Colorado County Sheriff's Report

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department reported the following calls and cases for the period ending Jan. 14.

Friday, January 1

At 7:27 am, Deputy Hudson responded to Frelsburg Road and FM 949 to assist with a possible heart attack victim. On arrival, assistance was rendered and the Victim was transported by EMS to the Columbus Community Hospital ER, where he was later pronounced deceased. Justice of the Peace Pct. 1, Billy Hefner, arrived at the ER to conduct an Inquest. After further investigation, the cause of death was determined to be from natural causes. Case closed.

Saturday, January 2

At 1:30 pm, Deputy Abbott responded to W. 2nd Street in Sheridan in reference to a Burglary of a Habitation. On arrival, it was determined that a laptop computer was stolen from the residence. During the investigation, the stolen laptop was recovered. After further investigation, Dusty Scott Holt, 28 of Sheridan, and Teresa Danielle Jackson, 28 of Sheridan, were both arrested on warrants for Burglary of a Habitation and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm. Case closed.

Sunday, January 3

At 11:15 am, Deputy Zak and Deputy Gaylor located an abandoned vehicle on the IH-10 service road and Hattermann Lane east of Weimar. The vehicle was removed from the location by Jimmy's Wrecker Service. Case closed.

At 11:25 am, Deputy Abbott responded to a residence on FM 1693 south of Rock Island in reference to a threatening phone call.

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Sheriff's Department Makes Cash Seizure

On January 28, at about 7:45 a.m., Colorado County Sheriff's Deputy Kris Abbott conducted a traffic stop on a 2009 Toyota Camry with Mexico plates on IH-10 westbound at the 693-mile marker.

During the investigation, what appeared to be a false compartment was located in the firewall of the vehicle between the engine and glove box area.

Deputy Shawn Zak arrived to assist and it was determined the driver was in possession of five baggies of a white powdery substance believed to be cocaine. The substance later field tested positive for cocaine.

The Toyota Camry was relo-

cated to the Sheriff's Office, where the hidden compartment was confirmed, revealing 25 bundles of US currency in the amount of \$115,820.00.

The bundles of cash were wrapped in cellophane, covered in grease, with an outer layer of electrical tape.

After further investigation, Jose Antonio Gonzalez Cerna, 51 of Coahuila, Mexico, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance.

A seizure was filed on the US currency and Toyota Camry through District Court. Bond was set on Cerna at \$100,000 by Justice of the Peace Pct. 1, Billy Hefner.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

More than four million pets are put down in U.S. shelters each year. That's one every eight seconds. Often these animals are the offspring of cherished family pets, even purebreds.

Maybe someone's dog or cat got out just one time, or maybe the litter was unintentional, but efforts to find enough good homes failed. The result is that homeless animals have to be euthanized because there are more pets entering shelters than there are people able to provide them with loving care.

By spaying or neutering your pet, you will have peace of mind knowing that this or her offspring won't be put down in a shelter.

The 16th Annual Spay Day USA takes place on Feb. 23, 2010. To volunteer, visit humaneociety.org/spayday. If you need help paying to have your pet spayed or neutered please call PUPS - Prevent Unwanted Pets at 979-732-5591. Together, we can ensure every pet enjoys a long, happy, and healthy life a loving home.

Sincerely,
Cheryl L. Mellenthin,
PUPS President
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- New ideas and perspective
- Proven community dedication
- Conservative budgeting and spending
- Common sense decision making
- An open minded, hard working commissioner

Current community involvement:

- Eagle Lake City Council
- Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department
- Member of Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce
- Member of Parish of the Nativity Catholic Church
- Member of the Eagle Lake Knights of Columbus

Chriss Schiurring would appreciate your vote in the upcoming Republican Primary Election on March 2.

Early Voting - Colorado County Courthouse, County Clerk's Office
Feb. 16-26 - 8 am to 5 pm, Feb. 20 - 9 am to 1 pm

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