

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

Friday

2:27 a.m. – Walk-through at Walmart.

6:38 a.m. – Vehicle broke down one mile south on K-25. Assisted subject.

3:16 p.m. – Caller received a possible e-mail scam. Provided information.

5:48 p.m. – Civil stand-by.

5:52 p.m. – Caller reported juvenile appeared to break off small limbs on a newer tree on the west side of Fike Park. Not found; no damage noted.

6:12 p.m. – Caller reported vehicle all over roadway and only doing 30-35 mph southbound at K-25 mile 199. Colby Police handled call; not found.

9:38 p.m. – Subject came to station about juvenile not where she said she would be; thinks she is with people she was told to stay away from. Spoke to juvenile; sent home.

9:57 p.m. – Accident in parking lot behind old swimming pool at 205 E. Fifth. Report filed.

Saturday

7:21 a.m. – Security check on downtown businesses.

8 a.m. – Caller reported graffiti on trash dumpsters behind Sears. Report filed.

8:44 a.m. – Caller reported graffiti on trash dumpsters behind Beringer's. Report filed.

10:26 a.m. – Returned wallet to owner.

10:45 a.m. – Funeral block Methodist Church to Beulah Cemetery.

10:53 a.m. – Caller reported kids on Villa High Pond. Made contact with subjects; told to stay off.

11:05 a.m. – Officer blocked dumpsters at Community Building for trash truck in reference to parking.

12:13 p.m. – Caller advised of vehicle blocking generator at AT&T, Fifth and Court. Owner contacted at Community Building.

1:08 p.m. – Caller reported vehicles blocking drive behind post office and parked in no parking zone. Community Building employee made announcement; owners moved vehicles.

3:48 p.m. – Assisted ambulance crew.

4:04 p.m. – Dog at large caught, turned over to Colby Animal Clinic.

4:20 p.m. – Vehicle parked in No Parking zone at post office.

Owner contacted; vehicle moved.

5:41 p.m. – Subject came to station about possible threatening text message received. Spoke to reporting party; other subject not found.

8:56 p.m. – Counselor called wanting welfare check on client. All OK.

9:02 p.m. – Caller had barking dog complaint. Not found.

9:03 p.m. – Caller thinks subject is stalking him. Spoke to all subjects; all OK for now.

9:43 p.m. – Subject called about a child custody matter. Civil matter; information provided.

10:02 p.m. – Hit and run in lot at 1525 W. Fourth. Report filed.

10:36 p.m. – Caller reported dog at large. Unable to locate.

11:28 p.m. – Deputy requested city unit at Country Club and Brookside.

Sunday

2:03 a.m. – Security check at Mabel's.

2:13 a.m. – Security check at the B-Hive.

6:55 a.m. – Deputy with Ellis County called wanting attempt to locate subject. Not found.

8:25 a.m. – Caller reported open door. All OK.

9:33 a.m. – Hit and run: manager reported damage to an electrical box in front of business.

2:38 p.m. – Loud music complaint. Spoke to subject; turned down.

3:14 p.m. – Requested wrecker for vehicle parked away from curb with two flat tires.

5:30 p.m. – Caller reported hit and run at Amber Waves.

11:56 p.m. – Security check at Oasis.

Monday

12:15 a.m. – Security check at Walmart.

8:03 a.m. – Caller reported unknown vehicle near shop at 400 S. Country Club Drive. All OK; owner contacted.

10:06 a.m. – Sexual battery report filed as supplement to case Nov. 27.

11:39 a.m. – Provided directions for motorist.

2:05 p.m. – Warrant arrest made on case at 10:06 a.m.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Friday

8:02 a.m. – Illegal dumping: caller reported trash in road five miles north of Colby on Country Club Dr.

11:19 a.m. – Collision at U.S.

83 mile 163.

1:29 p.m. – Report of gas skip from J&J Oil, Oakley. Located vehicle; returned to pay, no report.

5:29 p.m. – Caller reported stalled vehicle eastbound at I-70 mile 37. Was at mile 36 and was motor vehicle collision; report filed.

10:54 p.m. – Caller reported three or four horses out in the 400 block of U.S. 83. Unable to locate.

11:18 p.m. – Report filed on bond violation in the 2300 block of County Rd. A.

Saturday

12:19 a.m. – Stranded motorist on I-70 at mile 58 eastbound. Assisted with traffic control.

12:40 a.m. – Booked Christopher Hansen.

10:45 a.m. – Provided lead for Baalmann Mortuary from Methodist Church to Beulah Cemetery.

6:05 p.m. – Assisted Colby Police with welfare check in Colby. Unable to locate.

8:20 p.m. – Sheridan County Sheriff's Office requested deputy for transient transport at U.S. 24 and County Rd. 37. Provided ride for subject to Free Breakfast Inn.

10:32 p.m. – Protective custody: Deputy advised subject calling him about incident in Rexford and report filed for disorderly conduct.

11:26 p.m. – Driving under the influence report filed on traffic stop at Country Club and Brookside. Butch's towed vehicle.

11:52 p.m. – Booked Paul L. Luna.

Sunday

12:31 a.m. – Booked Brian P. Suter.

12:54 a.m. – Released Suter.

8:10 a.m. – Released Paul Lee Luna.

2:36 p.m. – Subject came to Law Enforcement Center with recovered large eagle yard ornament in the 1400 block of E. Veterans Memorial Drive. Report filed.

4:23 p.m. – Booked Steven J. Collins to hold for U.S. Prisoner Transport.

7:51 p.m. – Assisted motorist at eastbound I-70 mile 50.

Monday

5:37 a.m. – Released Steven J. Collins.

7:18 a.m. – Owner of business in Brewster reported burglary overnight.

10:29 a.m. – Caller from Oakley wanted welfare check on adult daughter, possibly in Colby. Pro-

vided information to reporting party.

2:05 p.m. – Assisted Colby Police officer to arrest juvenile in Rexford.

2:10 p.m. – Caller reported cattle on roadway at County Rds. 23 and CC. Police contacted owner.

2:40 p.m. – Brought inmate from Thomas/Rawlins County Line on K-25 to Law Enforcement Center.

5:06 p.m. – Narcotics violation report filed.

5:35 p.m. – Booked Garcia Perez.

5:40 p.m. – Booked Caleb Fox.

County Jail

Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Christopher Alan Hansen, 21, Colby, Dec. 9, aggravated assault (four counts), stalking, reckless driving, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Dec. 30 on \$250,000 appearance bond.
- Bill Malone Jr., 63, Dewitt, Ariz., Dec. 15, rape, Thomas County Sheriff, released Dec. 29 to NEAS transport.
- Liscia Parker Lawrence, 51, Colby, Dec. 21, possession of a narcotic drug with intent to sell, conspiracy to commit felony, using communication facility to arrange sales or purchase, no drug tax stamp, Thomas County Sheriff, released Dec. 29 on \$250,000 appearance bond.
- Jose Javier Valdez-Castell, 21, Colby, Dec. 21, possession of a narcotic drug with intent to sell (two counts), conspiracy, using communication facility to arrange sales or purchase, Thomas County Sheriff, released Dec. 29 on \$500,000 appearance bond.
- Beth Marie Cranston, 45, Colby, Dec. 31, domestic battery, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.
- Donald L. Cranston, 55, Brewster, Dec. 31, domestic battery, Colby Police, released same day on notice to appear.
- Calvin James Pfannenstiel Jr., 26, Collyer, Jan. 1, driving under the influence (second offense, no proof of insurance, improper driving on laned roadway, Kansas Highway Patrol, released same day on notice to appear.
- Angela Marie Rydquist, 29, Colby, Jan. 1, disorderly conduct, Colby Police, released same day on recognizance.

Soil fertility school coming to Atwood

Crop production and the many new products that come out each year are constantly evolving and changing, Extension experts say.

The latest research findings on these products and sound soil fertility practices and recommendations will be explained at a Soil Fertility School sponsored by the Thomas and Rawlins county Extension offices from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, at the 4-H Building in Atwood.

Continuing education units and certified crop adviser credits have been applied for. This is a great time to get a start on those credit hours to renew your license, said

Clint Milliman, Thomas County agricultural agent.

Addressing these ever-changing products and soil fertility practices will be Dorivar Ruiz Diaz, K-State specialist in soil fertility.

Reservations should be made by Thursday, Jan. 19, by calling the Thomas County Extension office, (785) 460-4582, or the Rawlins County office, (785) 626-3192. For information, call either office, or e-mail Milliman at milliman@k-state.edu or Cynthia Dixon, Rawlins County Extension agent, at cdixon@k-state.edu.

Cutoff date nearing for grassland reserve

Eric B. Banks, state conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service for Kansas, says the cut-off date for submitting applications for the Grassland Reserve Program is Wednesday, Jan. 25.

Although applications may be taken at any time, only those applications submitted and ranked by that date will be considered for funding for the Fiscal Year 2012 program. The Conservation Service provides technical assistance for the program, which was reauthorized by the 2008 Farm Bill. For 2012, Kansas received an allocation of \$1.4 million.

"Kansas has the finest, most productive native grassland in the world," said Banks, "and GRP offers a way for ranchers and farmers – the backbone of our economy – to ensure this unique natural resource remains a healthy and viable part of Kansas for years to come."

The program is voluntary, offering landowners the opportu-

nity to protect, restore, and enhance grasslands on their property through permanent easements and rental contracts. For 2012, priority will be given to enrolling land in easements.

The program emphasizes the preservation of native and natural grasslands and shrublands, support for grazing operations, plant and animal biodiversity, and the protection of grassland that is under multiple threats of conversion to other land uses.

Land enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program with an expiring contract in the next 12 months is also eligible for enrollment. Enrollment options for this land are limited to permanent easements and 20-year rental contracts.

"I would encourage producers interested in preserving their grasslands to stop by a USDA Service Center and visit with NRCS or Farm Service Agency staffs to learn more about the program," Banks said.

Thieves swipe meatballs

PHILADELPHIA (AP) – These frozen meatballs might be too hot to handle.

Police in Philadelphia are trying to find the thieves who swiped 17 cases frozen of meatballs from the back of a delivery truck.

Authorities sat two men broke into a trailer while the driver was asleep early Monday.

WPVI-TV (http://bit.ly/yAx7zR) reports the thieves took off in a van when another driver pulled into the lot.

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