

Kansas drivers licenses now being issued with new design

TOPEKA — Starting last month, Kansans are receiving a redesigned and more secure driver's license.

"We are committed to protecting people from driver's license fraud and identity fraud," said Donna Shelite, director of the Division of Vehicles. "That sort of fraud is typically a building-block crime from which more serious crimes are committed."

"It is important to protect the integrity of our identification cards for all Kansans," Governor Sam Brownback said. "This new card will make illegal duplication very difficult, and in turn will protect Kansas citizens better."

The new license includes security features that make it difficult

for counterfeiters to forge, including:

- Ultra-violet image of the cardholder's portrait and date of birth on the back of the card (viewable with ultraviolet light).
- Multi-colored, highly detailed holograms.
- Highly detailed ultraviolet image of the state flower.
- Two ghost images of the cardholder's portrait in addition to the conventional photograph.
- Tactile printing that you can feel.

Kansas' driver's license and ID card design last changed in 2004; states typically change their designs every four to six years.

"The new Kansas driver's license card is among the most se-

cure in the country," said Director Dean Reynoldson of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control. He oversees the department's Office of Special Investigations, which investigates driver's license fraud.

"The card, combined with a new more secure driver's license and ID card application process, makes Kansas one of the most difficult states to commit driver's license or identification-card fraud," Reynoldson said.

License and ID cards using the old design will still be valid and people will not need to get a new card until their current one expires. The cost is the same.

Professor to present book about the Indian Wars in western Kansas

Jeff Broome, a philosophy professor at Arapahoe County Community College, Littleton, Colo., will autograph copies of his books and present an illustrated program on Custer and the Indian Wars on the Great Plains at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Ellis County Historical Society, located at 100 West Seventh Street in Downtown

Hays. Admission is free.

"Custer into the West" covers the "Boy General" in Kansas after the Civil War, including the Fort Hays area). Broome will also discuss his book "Dog Soldier Justice," which deals with the capture of Susanna Alderdice in Kansas and the attempt to rescue her at the 1869 Battle of Summit Springs in

Colorado.

Broome is working on a new volume about Wild Bill Hickok in Hays, specifically the 1870 saloon brawl with troopers of the 7th Cavalry.

For information, contact the Ellis County Historical Society at (785) 628-2624 or visitors@ellis-countyhistoricalsociety.org.

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

Saturday

12:27 a.m. — Checked business in reference to report of subject being dropped off by the Greyhound Bus.

1:10 a.m. — Domestic, criminal threat, assault: caller reported subject making threats. Report filed.

3:02 p.m. — Removed tree limbs from the road in the 1300 block of S. Country Club Dr.

3:05 p.m. — Helped motorist at I-70 mile 54 westbound on ramp.

6:30 p.m. — Helped sheriff's office locate vehicle from traffic complaint.

Sunday

2:16 a.m. — Caller reported an erratic driver southbound on Franklin from Pine. Unable to locate.

1:15 p.m. — Caller reported dog at large. Unable to locate.

1:21 p.m. — Caller advised of theft. Report filed.

1:45 p.m. — Caller reported illegal parking. Spoke with reporting party.

Monday

8:43 a.m. — Caller advised of a suicidal person. Subject located, no report.

11:28 a.m. — Making a false writing: caller advised of counterfeit bill. Report filed.

12:45 p.m. — Caller reported hit and run collision. No damage.

5:03 p.m. — Solicitation of minor: 911 caller advised of a subject following juveniles. Report filed.

5:06 p.m. — Off-duty clerk called in third-party report of a gas skip

20 to 30 minutes earlier. Spoke to on-duty clerk, no report.

5:52 p.m. — Caller reported female was harassing her. Spoke to subjects, all OK.

6:41 p.m. — Caller from above complaint reported a problem again with female. Again spoke to subjects.

11:22 p.m. — Assisted Highway Patrol and sheriff's office units with an injury accident at Exit 54 eastbound off ramp.

Tuesday

3:22 a.m. — 911 caller advised of subject taking her vehicle without permission. Report filed for driving without a license. Unable to contact a wrecker service, drove vehicle to the Law Enforcement Center.

6:08 a.m. — Officer advised of a rape. Turned over to other agency.

11:30 a.m. — Manager requested welfare check.

5:01 p.m. — Caller reported barking dog. Spoke to land owner, who will speak to his tenant; dog owner not found.

5:17 p.m. — Caller advised window broken out and garage door opened. Report filed.

6:18 p.m. — Caller reported subject not allowing her to get belongings. Spoke to subjects; all OK.

11:15 p.m. — Caller reported two subjects looking into vehicles. Unable to locate.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Saturday

12:22 a.m. — Booked Sherri Ann Kuhlman at 10:41 p.m. Friday.

10:35 p.m. — Booked Todd John Kuhlman at 10:35 p.m. Friday.

2:46 a.m. — Booked Marvin Franklin Cloe.

1:31 p.m. — Booked Jeffrey Shull.

1:48 p.m. — Released Shull.

2:33 p.m. — Took three inmates to Sherman County.

6:30 p.m. — Caller reported truck pulling farm equipment blocking both lanes on U.S. 24 westbound at County Rd. 23. Vehicle escorting into Colby and parked for the evening.

6:53 p.m. — Caller reported cattle out on County Rd. K around County Rd. 22. Possible owner contacted.

7:23 p.m. — Helped motorist by Ampride Station, Mingo.

7:39 p.m. — Released Chanel Marie Siruta.

9:15 p.m. — Caller reported horse and donkey out at the 600 block of Co. Rd. W. Owner was spoken to.

Sunday

12:02 p.m. — Provided ride and gas for stranded motorist on U.S. 83 west of Rexford.

1:57 p.m. — Checked on transient at eastbound rest area of I-70.

8:04 p.m. — Deputy saw garage light flashing on and off repeatedly, then noticed back door kicked in on garage. All OK, spoke to owner.

9:15 p.m. — Caller reported accident with deer in the 2700 block of County Rd. CC.

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