SHERIFF'S REPORT: July/August Reports

The Terry County Sheriff's Department cleared four of eight reported offenses in July and two of four in August, according to their most recent monthly reports.

TCSD cleared reported offenses in July of assault/family violence, driving with license invalid, runaway and theft of property valued between $500 and $1,500, while four other theft cases remained standing. In August they cleared cases of theft of service and theft between $50 and $500, while cases of theft between $50 and $500 and burglary of a building were still under investigation at the end of the month.

Deputies recovered about $128 worth of $26,928 in reported stolen property in July. In August they recovered $23,050 worth of stolen property, and about $1,846 was reported stolen.

The reports, which commissioners approved Monday, indicated the department received 165 total calls in July, to include eight emergencies, five misdials and 152 other nonemergencies. They received 158 calls in August, including seven emergencies, four misdials and 147 misdials.

The sheriff's department served 34 of 36 civil papers they received in July from Terry County, while the other two were returned. They served 10 of 12 that they received from other counties, while the other two were returned. In August they served 24 of 32 civil papers they received from Terry County and 17 of 24 from other counties.

Deputies served 16 of 17 subpoenas they received locally and received none from other counties in July. In August they served 17 of 18 locally and none from other counties.

In July they served 21 of the 33 warrants they received from Terry County agencies, including seven for Justice of the Peace, three for County Court and 11 for District Court. Thirteen local warrants remained outstanding as of July 31, and six were returned.

In August they served 19 of 29 local warrants they received, included six for Justice of the Peace, nine for County Court and four for District Court. Nineteen warrants remained outstanding and three were returned. They received three warrants in August from other counties, one of which they served.

Deputies made a combined total of 12 arrests in July from their own cases and on warrants from other law-enforcement agencies such as the Brownfield Police Department, including two for burglary of a vehicle, two for motions to revoke probation and one each for assault/family violence causing bodily injury, bond forfeiture, capias pro fine warrant, deadly conduct, driving with license invalid, harassment of a public servant, out-of-county warrant and sexual assault.

They made 16 arrests in August, to include four for bond-forfeiture, two for burglary of a habitation and one each for assault on a public servant, burglary of a vehicle, capias pro fine warrant, credit or debit card abuse, disorderly conduct/fighting, motion to revoke probation, forgery, out-of-county warrant, theft between $50 and $500 and theft between $500 and $1,500.

The Terry County Jail had an average daily population of 63 inmates in July and August.

An average of 30.5 local inmates stayed at the jail each day that month, as did one inmate from Gaines County, 7.8 from Hockley County and 23.6 federal inmates.

Seven prisoners - four men and three women - were transferred in July to various facilities of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice prison system. Seven male one female inmate were transferred to TDCJ in August.

The jail's total income so far for 2012 was $267,960 as of Aug. 30, the majority of which was income from other counties and federal agencies Terry County contracted with to house prisoners.

Office and jail expenses totaled $31,825 in July. That amount included $18,243 for groceries, $6,734 for utilities, $4,329 for medical expenses and $2,409 for other jail expenses. They totaled $35,440 in August, including $21,919 for groceries, $7,523 for utilities, $4,490 for medical expenses and $1,452 for other jail expenses.

The jail served 6,094 meals in July at an average cost of $3 each. In August they 5,712 for an average of $3,84 each.

Officers' travel expenses totaled $5,026 in July And $6,022 in August, most of which was for fuel. They drove 1,061 total miles in July transferring a total of 19 inmates to and from county and federal agencies in Lubbock and Levelland, and 3,213 in August taking 25 inmates to and from facilities in Lubbock, Dayton, El Paso, Gatesville and Burnet.

SENIOR MENUS

Brownfield Senior Citizens Center, Sept. 17-21

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Tuesday - Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, tossed salad, orange-pineapple cup, low-fat milk, margarine

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Thursday - Beef taco bake, Spanish rice, cauliflower, tossed salad, country apple crisp, low-fat milk, margarine

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The Real Deal

By Daphne Delay

Ok, since we're on the topic of sunflowers (if you read last week's article), I have to add one more thing.

The Holy Spirit said to me: "Learn from the Sunflower" --so we learned that the sunflower positions itself to receive from the sun and how we should position ourselves every day to receive from God.

But another interesting fact about the sunflower is its uniformity. A field of sunflowers is amazing to see. Every single flower is parallel to the other flowers around it. Because the sun is their central focus, they are all unified together in their position.

I think this is another lesson. The Bible says, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity" (Psalm 133:1).

It pleases God when His children are unified in purpose and poise.

And the world stops to see it!

Just like a field of uniformed sunflowers catches our eye, so does a group of believers united together.

But there's another type of sunflowers that are simply wild. They are found on the side of highways or in fields of corn or wheat, where they are labeled as weeds. These wild sunflowers still look for the sun, but not together.

One is facing up, and another is facing down, while a few others are off in la-la-land just blowing in the wind. Does that sound like some people you know?

In learning from the sunflower by comparing our lives to their natural instincts, we have to be careful we're not emulating the wild sunflowers who have no uniformity and are lost in purpose.

The wild sunflower "looks" like the real deal, but watch its pattern of living and you'll soon see the difference.

The same is true for Christians. So let's remember the words of Paul when he said, "Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ" (1 Corinthians 11:1). If we all strive for this goal, the world will be amazed!

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