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Dogs gone

Animal Control barking mad about burglary

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Three dogs have been taken from Warren County Animal Control and Adoption Center.

"Someone stole three court-case dogs from the shelter," said Animal Control officer Brandi Bouldin. "I'm very frustrated about this. It's two pitbull mixes and one boxer mix. The pitbulls are white and the boxer is a brindle color."

Bouldin says the incident happened between Monday night and Tuesday morning.

"I closed the cable gate yesterday when I got back from transport," she said Tuesday. "When Deitra (Kester) came in this morning, the cable was down, the perimeter gate was open and their kennel door was open. No dogs. Everything was closed when I left the evening before."

The court case is a citation for animal cruelty against Julian Martinez, 19. That case began March 5 with an incident report filed by deputy Tyler Glenn, who responded to assist Animal Control regarding dogs being housed inside a vehicle.

"He (Martinez) then went to the vehicle and opened the door," said Glenn. "There was a very strong odor of feces coming from the vehicle. Mr. Martinez was unable to even get into the vehicle due to the dogs trying to force their way out of the vehicle. There was also feces all in the vehicle and wires hanging off the steering column, possible damage of three dogs locked in. Myself and Animal Control warned Mr. Martinez that if he did not get the animals somewhere appropriate we would come back and take the animals and issue a warrant."

Kester said she returned to the residence four times to check on the welfare of the dogs and decided on March 19 to remove the dogs.

"I returned to the residence on four separate occasions," she said. "The dogs were still in the vehicle. They were removed and a citation written on March 19. The day after we got the dogs, they were pooping out clothes and aluminum foil and air fresheners. It was bad. They were eating anything and everything they could find inside that vehicle."

A court date for the citation was set for April 3. Martinez failed to appear and a bench warrant was issued for his arrest.

If anyone has information about the dogs' whereabouts, or the location of Martinez, they are urged to call the Warren County Sheriff's Department.



James Clark photos

Emergency responders converge on New Smithville Highway in front of Chicken Chef where a horse-drawn buggy was hit by a car Tuesday afternoon. The couple inside the buggy was transported to the hospital.

Carriage crash



J.T. Thomas, left, and Eddie Pease check on the condition of the horse involved in Tuesday's crash.

Horse-drawn buggy slammed into by car

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A local couple was hospitalized Tuesday after a car collided with their horse-drawn buggy on The Strip in front of Chicken Chef.

Lena and Andy Byler, both 42, were transported to Saint Thomas River Park Hospital. They were reportedly thrown from their carriage upon impact.

"He flew out and landed on the windshield of the car, while she flew out and landed on the hood," said eyewitness J.T. Thomas. "We saw the whole thing happen right in front of our eyes. My wife and I were admiring the horse when this car pulls out and crashes into them."

The car was driven by Sandra Taylor, 24, who hit the broad side of the carriage. She was not injured.

The horse was tied to a utility pole in front of Chicken Chef and appeared to be unharmed. It was transported to the livestock barn near the fairgrounds

for safe keeping until it can be picked up by its owners.

According to McMinnville police officer Steven Daniels, the accident took place at 1:58 p.m. on New Smithville Highway. The horse and buggy were in the parking lot of Security Federal attempting to go directly across New Smithville Highway to enter the right side of the Chicken Chef parking lot.

Taylor was exiting the left side of the Chicken Chef parking lot, making a left turn onto The Strip.

"She said she was looking back at the southbound traffic and didn't see them," said officer Daniels.

Taylor was cited for failure to yield.

With horse-drawn carriages becoming more prevalent on local roadways, there's been speculation a crash involving a buggy was bound to happen. This could be the first incident inside the city limits.

"To my knowledge, this is the first one I know of," said officer Daniels. "I'm glad they weren't hurt any worse."

Pork, bands and all that jazz



Laney Farnham sings "All of Me" with accompaniment from Ashley David on piano and Casey Bigford on guitar during Pork and Bands at WCHS on Saturday.

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You would've thought it was a smoke-filled jazz lounge in the French Quarter of New Orleans the way Laney Farnham seasoned the auditorium with her soulful voice at Warren County High School on Saturday.

The WCHS jazz band was making its inaugural performance at Pork and Bands after forming earlier this school year. Farnham set the mood with her vocals on two songs "Fly Me to the Moon" and "All of Me," while trombone and saxophone solos added extra flair to a song made popular by the Blues Brothers, "Sweet Home Chicago."

"I've been singing most of my life in church so when jazz band became a thing this year, I was definitely interested," said Farnham, a 10th-grader. "My voice fits the mold of a typical jazz singer." The WCHS jazz band provided one of eight

performances at Pork and Bands, an annual, year-end extravaganza that highlights the musical talent of students from fifth grade to graduating senior. While high school and middle school bands provided the melody, concessions featured BBQ sandwiches and BBQ nachos to provide the pork.

WCMS students Kelsa Rice and Isis Almaguer combined to perform a memorable duet with Rice playing bass clarinet and Almaguer playing B flat clarinet. They said they enjoyed the duet but prefer playing with the entire band.

"When we're all working together, it can sound amazing," said Almaguer, an eighth-grader who also plays with the high school marching and concert bands.

It's the second year in the band program for Rice, who says she practices "pretty much every day."

"The three things that bring us together as a band are dedication, integrity and performance," said Rice.

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