

## Sheriff's Report

The Wood County Sheriff's Department needs Wood County citizens to assist the department with the growing number of thefts and burglaries occurring in the county.

Though the sheriff's office strives to patrol all areas of the county, they have limited resources. They request that you contact the sheriff's department and report any suspicious activity in your neighborhood. For example, you likely know which vehicles belong in your neighborhood and would also notice something that is out of the normal where you live. Be alert and if you feel something is not right, don't hesitate to contact the sheriff's department so they can respond and identify a situation. The number is 903-763-2201.

May 27th: Animal Control was dispatched to CR 2298 with regard to a dog running at large. The complainant advised that her neighbor's dog had been on her property and had taken items from her yard to its home. Several attempts have been made to contact the owner of the dog. The case is under investigation.

May 26th: Deputies met with a complainant in the lobby of the sheriff's office. He advised that his daughter took his vehicle. The vehicle, a 2006 Silver Suzuki Forenza, has now been entered into the state computer as stolen. This case is under investigation.

On the same date, deputies were dispatched to Hwy 182 in Quitman with regard to a burglary. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) had removed fishing equipment from his locked storage building. The case is under investigation.

May 25th: Deputies were dispatched to FM 1799 in Mineola with regard to a theft. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) removed all the gas from his truck. The complainant's truck was parked next to the roadway. The case is under investigation.

On the same date, Brandon Wayne Mashburn was issued a citation for theft. The complainant advised that Mashburn removed a five gallon fuel can from his yard on CR 3495. Deputies made contact with Mashburn who admitted to removing the fuel can from the yard. Mashburn advised that he took the fuel can because he needed the fuel to get home.

Also on this date, deputies were dispatched to FM 2422 in Mineola with regard to a burglary. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) removed his lawnmower, weed eaters and chainsaws from his unlocked storage building. This case is under investigation.

May 23rd: Deputies were dispatched to FM 852 west in Winnsboro with regard to a criminal trespass report. Joseph W. Bearden was issued a criminal trespass warning for the complainant's residence on FM 852.

May 22nd: Jeremy Jones came to the sheriff's office and reported that he was assaulted at 4672 Hwy 154 west in Yantis. The complainant advised that he was hit in the right eye by an unknown suspect. The case is under investigation.

May 21st: Deputies met with a complainant in the lobby of the sheriff's department with regard to a stolen vehicle. He advised that his ex-wife took a vehicle he had been awarded in their 2008 divorce. He advised that he had attempted to retrieve the vehicle and the suspect refused to hand it over. The case is under investigation.

On the same date, deputies met with a complainant at the sheriff's office lobby with regard to unknown person(s) using his identification to open an account in Houston. The case is under

investigation.

May 20th: Deputies were dispatched to CR 4560 in Winnsboro on a reported theft. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) stole his riding lawnmower from his yard. The case is under investigation.

Also on this date, deputies were dispatched to FM 288 in Quitman with regard to a burglary. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) had entered the residence by prying the front door open. The complainant advised that several fishing rods and reels plus some tools and a computer were taken. The case is under investigation.

Summary of call this period: Agency assist, 7; alarms, 16; animals calls, 18; burglary, 7; civil disputes, 2; criminal mischief, 5; criminal trespass, 4; harassment, 3; threats, 2; theft, 9; suspicious vehicles, 2; suspicious persons, 7; traffic stops, 4; welfare checks, 6.

Total calls this period - 169.

During the period, there were 83 males at the Wood County Jail and 14 females, for an overall total of 97. There were 41 bookings and 38 releases.

A reminder: Wood County Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards for information which leads to the arrest of a wanted fugitive. When you call 903-763-CASH, your information to Crime Stoppers is confidential and you may remain anonymous. When giving your information, you will be assigned a special reference number for your call. You can use that number at a later date to claim a reward if your information leads to an arrest. You do not need to give your name. Crime Stoppers may pay a reward up to \$1,000 for information on any warrant that leads to an arrest and indictment. To view the county's eight Most Wanted Fugitives, go to [www.co.wood.tx.us](http://www.co.wood.tx.us) and click on Wood County's Most Wanted.

May 19th: Deputies were dispatched to CR 1807 in Yantis with regard to a burglary. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) damaged a window and shutters with a large rock. Once inside the residence, the suspect(s) removed a bank full of change. There was nothing else disturbed or missing. The case is under investigation.

May 18th: Deputies were dispatched to Hwy 154 west at the Oak Ridge Resort. A complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) had stolen several rods and reels from his boat. The case is under investigation.

May 17th: Deputies were dispatched to the beach at Lake Hawkins with regard to a report of criminal mischief. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) had broken out the rear window of her vehicle. The case is under investigation.

On the same date, deputies were dispatched to PR 5552 with regard to a criminal trespass report. The complainant advised that his neighbor had already been issued a criminal trespass warning to stay off the complainant's property. Joseph Thurman Spaits was issued another criminal trespass citation for the complainant's property.

May 16th: Deputies were advised by a complainant with regard to a theft. She advised that unknown suspect(s) had entered her shop and removed two lawn mowers. The case is under investigation.

On the same date, deputies were advised to meet a complainant on CR 4430 in Winnsboro with regard to the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. The complainant advised that her vehicle was taken from her residence without her permission. The case is under investigation.

Also on this date, deputies were dispatched to Hwy 37 south in Quitman at Clear Lakes Inn with regard to a theft of fishing equipment. The complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) had broken into his boat and taken most of his fishing equipment. The case is under investigation.

May 14th: Deputies were dispatched to FM 1254 in Mineola with regard to a theft of copper. The

complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) had stolen two spans a wire. The case is under investigation.

NOTE: There has been an increase in vehicle burglaries. Citizens are reminded not to leave anything inside the vehicle in plain sight. For example, GPS devices, Ipods, purses and cell phones are all attractive targets for thieves. They are easily seen if you leave them on a seat or the dashboard.

Summary of calls this period: Agency assist, 2; alarms, 7; animal calls, 18; assaults, 3; burglary, 11; theft, 4; civil disputes, 1; criminal mischief, 9; criminal trespass, 5; disturbances, 5; harassment, 1; threats, 1; suspicious persons, 4; suspicious vehicles, 5; traffic stops, 2; welfare checks, 11.

During the period, there were 79 males at the Wood County Jail and 13 females, for an overall total of 92. There were 30 bookings and 28 releases.