

FRISCO

Neighbors detail fear of man in standoff

Resident charged with shooting at police also in trouble over dogs

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A Frisco man arrested after police say he shot at officers late Sunday is no stranger to his neighbors.

Some of them have complained to the city and their homeowners association about problems with his two German shepherds. And they fear what might happen once he's released from jail.

"I'm afraid for him to be in my neighborhood," said Sue Walls, president of the Lakes of

Preston Vineyards Homeowners Association.

Paul Clarence Bailey, 56, faces a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

The second-degree felony is punishable by up to 20 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Bail was set at \$20,000.

Meanwhile, Bailey is to appear in municipal court later this summer for 16 citations issued in May over his dogs.

When neighbors complained to the HOA about Bailey's dogs, Walls urged letting the city deal with the problem.

On Monday, she noted that if he would shoot at police, what might he do to his neighbors?

"This incident highlights the reason why HOA homeowners should not expect their boards

to get involved in criminal or city ordinance issues," Walls said. "It puts us at risk."

Police were called to Bailey's home in the 6500 block of Winston Drive near Hillcrest Road and College Parkway just before 11:30 p.m. Sunday by relatives who were concerned about him.

An officer saw Bailey inside with a handgun pointed at officers. Police say when Bailey fired the gun toward officers at the front door, they retreated.

The special operations unit arrived, and after nearly four hours of negotiations, Bailey surrendered.

Dennis Pedini, who lives a few houses away from Bailey, listened to the entire incident on his police scanner.

When Bailey came out of his

house just before 4 a.m., Pedini said, the dogs barked loudly. Bailey yelled a profanity and then said, "This isn't what I agreed to," according to Pedini.

On Monday afternoon, plainclothes officers were removing items stuffed in brown grocery bags from Bailey's house. A man wearing a Frisco police T-shirt and a gun strapped to his jeans said he wasn't allowed to say what officers were doing inside the house.

Calls to Frisco police were not returned.

"I want to make sure he doesn't have guns," Pedini said. "I want to make sure my family is safe. I would hope they wouldn't leave him with his weapons."

Pedini said Bailey often walked down Winston Drive and would let his two dogs run unleashed through neighbors' yards and in the street.

"He wouldn't have them on a leash," he said. "Around here, it's all young families who have young kids. It's kind of scary, especially with kids around."

Dana Baird, Frisco communications director, said the city received at least a half-dozen complaints about the dogs running unleashed, crossing into people's yards and attacking other dogs. But every time animal-control officers came out, the problem was gone.

So the city sent a letter to about a dozen residents asking them to document their problems with the dogs.

Pedini said the letter asked whether he had any previous problems with the dogs and whether he would be willing to testify.

"It seemed like the city was trying to build a case," Pedini said.

The city received four responses, which resulted in eight citations for each dog, Baird said. The citations are Class C misdemeanors that carry a fine of up to \$2,000 each.

After Bailey's arrest, the dogs were taken to the Collin County Animal Services shelter in McKinney, where they will stay until someone picks them up, Baird said.

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Lance Anderson of Nevada in Collin County was upset about the pursuit. "They should not have chased him for two hours, risking everybody's lives like they did," he said after his Chevy Silverado crashed into the fleeing driver's car.

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Wreck ends 90-minute chase

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passed a group of cars at a red light and tried to squeeze through. But a pickup slammed into his left side, crumpling his car and hurtling it across the pavement.

"He did a right on red — it was right in front of me," Anderson, an independent contractor on his way to a job, told WFAA.

He never heard the sirens. "I didn't know they were chasing him."

Other motorists found their tires slashed by stop sticks meant for Michel.

"I just saw a black thing in the road, and I couldn't swerve to miss it because there were cars on the other side," Chelle Lancaster told WFAA.

It was not clear to which agency the stop sticks belonged. Garland police and Dallas County sheriff's deputies both assisted with the chase.



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"We never deployed our spikes," Gothard said of the constables, "because we never had the opportunity where there weren't other cars."

Michel's criminal history includes arrests for drugs, burglary and resisting arrest. In 2006, Mesquite police arrested him on a charge of evading arrest, for which he later pleaded

guilty.

The active warrant that constables learned about during the chase was for a charge of forgery. But Gothard said even Michel's flight from the speeding violation was reason enough to chase.

"It's up to the supervisor to call it," Gothard said. "It depends on traffic, it depends on the weather — a lot of different factors that the supervisor takes into account."

Just before the crash, Gothard said, the constables called off the chase to let Texas Department of Public Safety officers take the lead.

"My supervisor called it off because of the traffic and the time of day it was getting to be," he said.

"But at some point on Plano Road our guys picked it back up," Gothard said. He was not sure what agency was closest when the crash occurred. "That's what I'm going to have

to find out," he said.

Dallas police did not get involved in the chase, except to briefly lend help from a helicopter. With one of the most restrictive chase policies in the nation, Dallas officers can pursue offenders at high speeds only when they are suspected of committing violent felonies.

Last year, after a 10-year-old boy was killed and an officer seriously injured in separate high-speed situations, Dallas police commanders added even more restrictions.

But Gothard said the constables' more lenient chase policy is in line with most other agencies in the area, and he said it is necessary.

"It's one of those deals where eventually, if everybody quits chasing people, then everybody's just going to run," he said. "And then you can't do your job."

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GARLAND

Richland campus set for unveiling

Workforce center is eco-friendly; classes keyed to area business

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Richland Community College will premiere a new environmentally friendly Garland satellite campus today that will help train students for jobs.

The green-glass and stone building, called a workforce center, will offer classes related to area businesses and includes a large machine shop for manufacturing training.

"We have a partnership with the Dallas County Manufacturers' Association," said Janet James, Richland's executive assistant to the president. "There is always a need for training and retraining for manufacturing jobs."

Officials aren't sure how many students will attend classes at the new campus at Glenbrook Drive and Walnut Street in the fall. The Garland Chamber of Commerce shares the 33,000-square-foot building.

James said the center is particularly appropriate because Garland has many manufacturing jobs. The building follows international

accepted green principles.

Eastfield Community College in Mesquite also will open a satellite campus this fall in Pleasant Grove, but it will have a different focus.

"Our issue down in Pleasant Grove is to put together a first-year college experience and make it successful," said Javier Olguin, the new campus's executive director.

Students then will be directed to the main Eastfield campus for their second year.

The Pleasant Grove center, which won't be open until later this summer, also will offer a range of business-related courses such as team building and communications for managers.

He expects about 500 students this fall, with enrollment reaching as many as 800 later.

Both campuses are expected to be gateways to the main community college classes. They will offer assistance in registering for classes at the main campuses.

James said the Garland campus has a large atrium that will be used for job fairs, college information nights and other events.

Both satellite campuses are located near DART stations, making it easier for students to reach the schools.

DENTON COUNTY

Officials investigate dead cows near lake

Denton County authorities are investigating the deaths of nearly two dozen cows found Monday in a field just west of Lake Ray Roberts.

An animal control officer arrived at the 2100 block of McReynolds Road about 9 a.m. after receiving a tip about dead livestock, said Tom Reedy, a spokesman for the Denton County sheriff's office.

The officer found 23 Black Angus cows that had been dead about five days and one cow that was still

alive, Reedy said.

"We have talked to the field hand, and he says that it appears that the gate between the two pastures got shut somehow and they [the cows] could not get to the water," Reedy said.

No criminal charges have been filed, he said, but an investigation is under way.

Reedy said the cows were about 2 years old. Their value was estimated at \$11,500.

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ALLEN ISD

Former special ed teacher is indicted

Woman accused of using a cooking pan to burn the buttocks of a 14-year-old disabled boy in early 2008.

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A longtime Allen teacher stands accused of using a cooking pan to burn the buttocks of a 14-year-old disabled boy in early 2008.

A Collin County grand jury indicted Susanne Means earlier this month on a charge of injury to a child, a first-degree felony.

The indictment says she knowingly caused serious bodily injury to the boy, using a

cooking pan and also an unknown object. The incident is alleged to have occurred at Lowery Freshman Center, an Allen ISD school.

Means denied harming the boy when interviewed by police on March 13, 2008, a police affidavit shows. She could not be reached Monday.

Means, 45, was a special education teacher at Lowery when the allegation surfaced in early March 2008.

She was reassigned from classroom teaching on March 12, 2008, and worked in the administration building in the last school year, said Kent Turner, chief human resources

officer for Allen ISD.

Turner said Means resigned from the district earlier this month. She had worked for Allen ISD since 1997.

An Allen police affidavit filed on July 9, 2008, says Means caused burns to the boy, and describes him as "mentally challenged."

The affidavit says the boy's father became aware of the boy's injuries in early March 2008 and took him to a physician.

The physician found a 12-inch diameter "scald" in a circular pattern on the buttocks. The boy later told an interviewer that the teacher applied a hot pan once to each of

his buttocks, the affidavit says.

The investigating officer found her classroom included a kitchen that had a stove and "various cookware," the affidavit says.

The affidavit also says Means failed a polygraph test administered by a U.S. Secret Service agent.

Means was booked into the Collin County Detention Center on July 30, 2008, and posted bail the same day. An Allen police spokeswoman said she did not know why nearly a year passed before the grand jury returned an indictment.

Prosecutors could not be reached.

