

# **Dickinson Police Criminal Investigations**

## **News Release**

### **New Release**

On March 30, 2006 at approximately 12:17A.M., a Dickinson Police supervisor stopped a vehicle in the 100 block of Fm-517 West after suspecting that the driver (a 46 year old Caucasian male) was intoxicated. During the investigation the officer observed an open beer bottle next to the driver's seat and the driver gave Officers consent to search his vehicle. Once in the vehicle Officers located a large caliber pistol and possible narcotics during the search. The driver was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Dickinson City Jail.

Upon arrival at the jail the suspect was taken into the jail for booking and Officers learned that the suspect may or may not have swallowed some narcotics. The suspect appeared to pass out at some time during the booking process and shortly thereafter started to have what Officers believed to be seizures. The suspect was moved to an open area cell and called for an EMS unit. Officers remained with the suspect and at one point the suspect stopped breathing and one officer began administering CPR.

EMS arrived on location and transported the suspect to Mainland Hospital. Attempts by hospital staff to resuscitate the suspect failed. The Galveston County District Attorney's office was notified and the case is still under investigation pending a Medical Examiners findings. Police believe that the suspect's death may be drug related and at press time no next of kin have been located or notified.