

Activity Card

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OTHER

Priority Level: ADMIN

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: OTHER

Activity Address: 755 HANK AARON DR SW

Activity Comment: X GEORGIA AVE 845 D6 (TURNER FIELD)

Caller Information:

P000001 FULTON ANIMAL SERVICES
860 MARIETTA BLVD
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Result Codes:

1 TTOP

Officer: P991470 RAINES

Clerk: MARNOLD

Call Date: 02/08/17 02:30 PM

New Date: 02/08/17 02:30 PM

Dispatch Date: 02/08/17 02:46 PM

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Memo:

2/8/2017

Please check welfare of all animals at the circus.

02/08/17 1264 MA

Inspection notes: 02/08 12pm 1379/1458/1470 we arrived to inspect animals at Universoul. Accompanied by several ppl, including a veterinarian, "Larry Cardin" is contact for elephants and camels. "Cindy Mingle" contact for zebras, camels, horses. Vet inspected paperwork. We saw elephants (2 Asians - male "Beau" and 1 female "Betty"). "Beau" had callous on front right shoulder-per vet it 'just needs ointment'- his feet showed signs of bruising. No visible wounds on either elephant. "Betty's" feet also appeared to be bruised. Elephants were in a tent with concrete floors and minimal hay. (Vet: "Stewart Colby DVM" with Windward Animal Hospital Johns Creek 30005). Vet stated "I did not look at the soles of the elephant's feet". No lameness apparent. No water available. Elephants were loose in wire pen (no chain). We examined camels (2 males "Larry" and "Emmett"). "Emmett" had a small wound (3 inch laceration) to his rear right leg- Vet stated it should be treated with ointment. "Larry" has a swollen left ankle/foot - Vet states it needs to be treated (drained) but it was not urgent and vet said he could perform. There were 4 other younger camels in good condition in a covered tent. Also 4 zebras in same tent - different pen- 1 zebra with wound on top of nose - possible rub mark- 1 large gray/white horse and 1 white miniature pony in same tent - different pen... Next we saw 6 other horses in a separate tent. These horses have 2 inch pads in stalls/pens to stand on. They all had access to water, shade and food. Several horses had cracked hooves -some greater than 2 inches in length- Vet stated this is common when animals are transported and experience sudden changes in humidity and temperature. Per Universoul employees they do not have any dogs or big cats this year. Per "Larry" and "Danny", "Larry" has a gun in case of animal escape/incident. He showed us a 0.30-03-(30 caliber) rifle, and stated he is a "good shot" and would be "happy to use if necessary". The circus' lawyer was present he told us we should not be taking pictures of animals, as we were photographing wounds to zebra's nose, we continued to take necessary pictures. The elephant trainer told us we could not film (body cam) animals, he spoke to Mr. Delk and Mr. Delk instructed us not to film (at beginning of inspection).

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Animals all appear to be in fair health overall, all concerns mainly regarding bruised, swollen and cracked/damaged feet. We would prefer to see a padded floor for all animals - ESPECIALLY ELEPHANTS. A Raines 02/08/17

Seq 1 2/8 1842-2200 1470 Observed animals and trainers -saw new wound on "Betty's " left hip- "Beau" had wonder dust on his chest took video/pictures -p-

Seq 2 02/09 1039-1319 1470 36- Observed performance and animals. Noticed something that looked like a wet spot on "Beau" the elephant rear leg (on ankle area) took pictures - asked to see elephants after show - Danny took me to the back. Larry (elephant trainer) was in his trailer - he came out to show me elephants (who were in a tent with the hot wire on the floor/inactive) - he allowed me to see elephants and as I tried to get a close picture but "something" caused the elephant to move it's leg when I tried to take pictures. I'm pretty sure he was doing something to cause this - wound is 1/2 inch in diameter - appears circular -p-

Seq 3 02/09 1900-2200 1337 10-22 Met with Dan, large elephant had a knot on right leg. All other animals (horses, camel and zebras) was in fair health -p-

Seq 4 02/10 1936-2150 1470 36-Observed animals & performance. No new wound seen, but "beau" the elephant had wonderdust on wound that I noticed yesterday (on rear left leg) - During intermission Larry (elephant trainer) was yelling @ Danny and gesturing towards me - he spoke w/ female elephant rider. She later approached me angrily asking if I was PETA- I explained calmly that I was w/ animal control and was observing animals and trainers to ensure all animals are well taken care of. She told me staring at them was "harassment" along with some profanity- I explained to her I was going to continue doing my job and observing the animals and performance - no other notable events -p-

Seq 5 2/11 1215-1457 1470 36- observed animals, trainers and performance. Today there was mud or dirt (brown) rubbed on "beau" the elephant rear left leg-where I noticed a wound on 02/09/17. No new injuries visible. Soles of both elephants feet still look purple/bruised (enclosure has concrete floor) -p -

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Seq 6; 2/11/17; 1559-2234; 1477; 26X5, 36 -

Arrived to check the welfare of the circus animals. Was directed to a seat a few rows behind the ring by Danny. While I did look for any obvious wounds, I focused on the behavior of the animals and their interactions with their trainers. Observed the 4:00 p.m. show.

During the camel and elephant show, a camel rested his head on the trainer's head, chewing its cud. The elephant trainer petted the elephant (the smaller one) more during this show. I did not see her flinch this time. She seemed more relaxed and explored the side of the ring and a metal rod on the ring-side with her trunk. She flapped her ears a bit here and there. Sometimes she lifted her trunk when the trainer petted underneath it; other times she did not.

The camels, zebras, Percheron and mini horse came out. The trainer kept his whips on the floor and gave corrections by touching the flanks of a zebra and the horses with his hand. I saw no shying away. During the elephant show the elephant trainer carried the baton and the thin rod with 2 metal tips on the end. I never saw him touch the elephants with it.

After the show I asked to see the horses and was taken to a third animal tent with several horses in separate stall-like corrals. They had hay and water and were freely eating and drinking. They were calm. Their hooves were in bad shape, chipped in many places and irregular in shape.

Concerns: the condition of the horses' hooves and the lack of padding in the elephant's tent for them to stand on. Even a padded area that they could choose to stand on while they moved about freely would be helpful

Seq 7 02/12 1230-1530 1418 36 witnessed all animals perform. Appear in fair health no mistreated -p-

Seq 8 02/12 1530-1830 1418 36 witnessed all animals perform. Appear in fair health no mistreated seen -p-

Seq 9 02/12 1830-2130 1418 36 witnessed all animals perform. Appear in fair health no mistreated -p-

Seq 10 2/14 1155-1226-1379/1477--24, 26x2- Inspected animals. All have water, hay and appear to be in fair health

Seq 11 2/14 1600-1622--1567--26x2- Danny Rodriguez 404-787-4701 and Carlos Salmeron 678-751-8457 2 elephants in tent eating. 6 camels eating. Brushed. 4 Zebras standing in tent- 8 Horses being washed

Seq 12 2/20 2017-1044-Miller- 26x4- I met with Universoul Circus Staff. The horses, camels, zebras, and the elephants were taken care of. The area was clean -P-

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Seq 13 02/22/17 1048-1113 1458 24, Met w/ Danny and Larry. All animals are being cleaned and fed. No signs of abuse or neglect. -p -

Seq 14 02/22/17 1429 -1520 0858/1477 25, 26 Looked at all animals. All look to be in fair health with hay and water. (It was about 12 minutes after our arrival before they took us back but Carlos came in from the street in a truck and stated both he and Larry were off property separately when we arrived) -p-

Seq 15 02/22/17 1846-1908 Miller 1473 26x5 I met with the Universoul Staff. The animals all have food, water and shelter. The conditions were good -p-

Seq 16 02/23 1138-1200 DBRN 26 Spoke to Danny Rodriguez animals getting ready to perform trainer was walking out elephants in customs hand a black stick guiding them. Horses were being brushed, two camels in customs, the rest under tent tied up. All 4 Zebras in tent loose eating. Mini pony in tent tied up -p-

Seq 17 02/23/17 1555-1627 1477 24 upon arrival, Danny arrived about 5 minutes later to take me back. All animal appeared to be in good health, had access to water and hay except for the horses in the horse tent whose tent was being cleaned. They did have water. The large mal elephant was playing with the trailer door. Larry advised he wanted to get into the trailer because he knows his grain is in there and because he likes it in there because he feels safe and "at home" there -p-

Seq 18 02/23 1857-1925 10-26 I was promptly met by Carlos and observed a horse being warmed up for the show. Zebras, camels, elephants and lg horse and pignet horse all eating hay with water present. Area clean-p-

Seq 19 2-24 1318-1338 1567 26 Carlos Salmeron the show had just finished. 2 elephants in pen no chain eating. Camel was standing around one was sitting down. 2 zebras eating. Horses in stalls eating. All fair -p-

Seq 20 02/24/17 1553-1602 1477 28 upon arrival, security guard would not even let me in the gate on Pollard. He advised after a few minutes that there was no one on side and Danny said he could be back in 25 minutes. Denied Entry -p-

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Seq 21 02/24/17 1641-1648 Miller 1473 26x4 the animals were in good conditions -p-

Seq 22 02/26/17 1218-1232 1458 24, Met with staff, no signs of abuse/neglect -p-

Seq 23. 2-26-17, 19:38-20:00, 0858... 10-26... I was met in a timely manner by Carlos (manager)... Both elephants were in the tent getting ready to perform. The two large camels were being let out to give rides. They were saddled up. The large horse was in the big top according to Carlos (I did not see him but the pigmy horse was in the tent with the small camels and zebras, the six horses were cooling down from the show in tent... Hay and water was present for all the animals observed, (except the big camels who were working)...- p-