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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

SEPTEMBER 29, 2014 – OCTOBER 5, 2014

On Monday, September 29th, Deputy C. Sanders served a warrant on Christopher L. Coyle (38) at the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO). Coyle turned himself in on a warrant for Domestic Battery. He was booked into the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF) where he was later first appeared and conditionally released.

On Monday, September 29th, Sgt. S. Strickland took a report of the theft of money from the lunchroom at Port St. Joe Jr. Sr. High School. The theft was discovered Monday morning prior to the start of school. It was also discovered the district office was entered and money from several desks was stolen. A total of \$337 was stolen from both locations. Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) Inv. L. Dickey continues to investigate the case.

On September 29th, Deputy D. Huggins took a report at Wewahitchka Sr. Jr. High School in reference to trespass. A maintenance employee at the school discovered that a lock and hasp was removed from a concession stand on school grounds. Nothing was taken.

On September 29th, Deputy P. Williams served an out of county warrant on Don A. Whitehead (54). Whitehead turned himself in at GCSO. He was wanted by the Taylor County Sheriff's Office for Improper Exhibition of a Dangerous Weapon.

On September 29th, the GCSO received a complaint regarding the theft of two fuel tanks from the 600 block of Idelwood Drive north of Wewahitchka. Deputy J. Oquendo responded to the call. The complainant reported the theft of a six and three gallon gas tank taken from his boat on the river.

On September 29th, Deputy B. Smith took Jesse L. Johnson, Jr. (34), into custody in the 1000 block of County Road (CR) 386 near Wewahitchka. Johnson contacted the GCSO wanting to turn himself in on an active warrant for Violation of Community Control. Johnson is on Community Control for Battery, Possession of Meth, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was transported to the GCDF and is held without bond.

On Tuesday, September 30th, Deputy J. Oquendo served a warrant on Jack E. Davila (46) at the GCDF. Davila turned himself in. The GCSO held an active arrest order for Failure to Appear on Bail. Davila was first appeared and released on his on recognizance.

On Wednesday, October 1st, Deputy M. Layfield served an arrest order for Failure to Appear on Michello D. Daniels (36). Daniels failed to appear in court on his charge of reckless driving with alcohol. He turned himself into the GCSO and was booked at the GCDF. He was later first appeared and released on his own recognizance.

On October 1st, Sgt. J. Williams served two felony warrants for Aggravated Battery on Nicole B. Henry (24). The case originated on July 3, 2014, by the Port St. Joe Police Department. Henry was arrested by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office on September 24, 2014, and was extradited back to Gulf County. She remains in custody.

On October 1st, Lt. P. Beasley cleared a burglary case which was reported to the GCSO on September 8, 2012. A warrant for Burglary was issued and served on Ernest L. Mace (41) at the GCDF. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement contacted the GCSO which matched DNA evidence at the scene to that of Mace. Mace's DNA was collected during an unrelated investigation. He was first appeared on the charge and remains in custody.

On Thursday, October 2nd, the GCSO traveled to the Washington County Jail to extradite Tonia E. Harrison (37) back to Gulf County. Harrison was wanted for Battery after the GCSO investigated a domestic dispute on September 12, 2014. She was arrested by the Washington County Sheriff's Office. Harrison was booked into the GCDF where she was later first appeared and released on a \$1,500 bond.

On October 2nd, the GCSO received a 911 call from the 200 block of Fork Drive in the Overstreet area. The caller advised that someone entered his residence. The complainant returned to his residence and noticed a door partially open. Deputy S. Ferrell and Sgt. R. Burkett responded to the call. It was determined nothing was missing from the residence and there were no signs of forced entry. It was unclear if someone actually entered the home.

On Friday, October 3rd, at approximately 3:10 am Deputy S. Ferrell was on patrol in the area of State Road (SR) 71 and Pidgeon Road in Wewahitchka when he observed two females walking on the highway. Contact was made with both subjects, one who was determined to be wanted by the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office for Failure to Pay Fines. Crystal L. West (37) was arrested at the scene and transported to the GCDF.

On October 3rd, Deputy M. Layfield served a warrant on Thelma L. Tolley (60) for sixty-four (64) counts of Uttering a Forged Instrument. Tolley turned herself into the GCSO. Investigator L. Dickey conducted the investigation that lead to Tolley's arrest. The case originated on September 12, 2014, after Deputy P. Williams took a complaint from the victim alleging Tolley forged approximately \$32,000 in checks on the victim's account.

She was booked into the GCDF and later first appeared. Tolley was conditionally released.

On Sunday, October 5th, Deputy G. Desrosier served a warrant at the GCDF on Stephen B. Johnson (27). The case originated from an investigation conducted by the Port St. Joe Police Department on October 2, 2014. Johnson is charged with Neglect of Elderly. He was first appeared and released on a \$1,000 bond.

If you have any information on the aforementioned cases, or any tips concerning a wanted person or suspicious activity, please contact the Gulf County Sheriff's Office at 850-227-1115 or contact Crime Stoppers at 850-785-TIPS.

From September 29th through October 5th the Communications Division at the GCSO logged a total of 36 calls for the Port St. Joe Police Department, 33 calls for EMS, 18 calls for other departments/agencies and 7 calls for Gulf County Animal Control.

From September 29th through October 5th the GCSO logged the following department activity: Security/Zone Checks, 235; Civil Paper Service, 35; Traffic Stop, 28; Information, 13; Traffic Accident, 8; Warrant Arrest, 8; Noise Disturbance, 6; Reckless Driver, 6; Alarm, 5; Domestic Disturbance, 4; Verbal Disturbance, 4; Prowler/Trespass, 4; Request for Security Check, 4; Disabled Motor Vehicle, 3; Field Contact, 3; Special Detail, 3; Suspicious Person, 3; Animal Call, 2; Unknown Disturbance, 2; Funeral Escort, 2; Prisoner Transport, 2; Sexual Offender Reregistration, 2; Suspicious Vehicle, 2; Welfare Check, 2; Abandoned Vehicle, 1; Simple Assault, 1; Agency Assist, 1; Burglary, 1; Citizens Assistance, 1; Physical Disturbance, 1; Fire, 1; Fraud, 1; Identity Theft, 1; Mentally Ill, 1; Harassing Phone Call, 1; Street Obstruction, 1; and Theft/Shoplifting, 1.

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