



# **Gulf County Sheriff's Office**

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### **GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY**

OCTOBER 6, 2014 – OCTOBER 12, 2014

On Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) executed three orders to transport with the assistance of the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF). The GCSO traveled to Washington Correctional Institution to transport Nicholas A. Pierce (36) and the Bay County Jail to transport Henry H. Watford, Jr. (29) to Gulf County. The GCDF traveled to Zephyrhills Correctional Institution to transport Walton H. Butler (61) to Gulf County. All subjects were due to appear in circuit court on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.

On Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO received a complaint regarding a burglary at Gulf County School's District Office. This was the second report in two weeks. Deputy P. Williams responded to the scene. Investigator L. Dickey and Crime Scene Investigator M. Ward also responded. The GCSO continues to investigate the case.

On October 7<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. S. Strickland had a student at Port St. Joe Jr. Sr. High School report the theft of an iPod. The device was not secured in a locker.

On October 7<sup>th</sup>, Deputy P. Williams served a Writ of Bodily Attachment for non-payment of child support on John F. Deeson (42) at the GCSO. Deeson turned himself in. He was booked into the GCDF and remains in custody.

On October 7<sup>th</sup>, Deputy S. Ferrell responded to the 1300 block of Stonemill Creek Road in reference to criminal mischief. The complainant reported that his fence which ran along the property line had been cut in two different locations. The estimated cost to repair the damage was \$240.

On October 7<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO received a complaint regarding an unknown disturbance in the 100 block of Henry Avenue in Wewahitchka. The complainant reported that a family member was causing problems and was believed to be smoking "pot" in the house. Deputy S. Ferrell responded to the call to investigate. Upon his arrival, Deputy Ferrell was invited inside the residence and observed Anthony L. Watts smoking marijuana in the living area of the home. Watts was placed under arrest and charged with Possession

of Less than Twenty Grams of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Watts was transported to the GCDF where he was later first appeared and conditionally released.

On Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO transported Nicholas A. Pierce (36) back to Washington Correctional Institution in Chipley.

On October 8<sup>th</sup>, Arthur E. Lanier (21) was served with a warrant for Violation of Community Control at the GCDF. Lt. T. Wood served the warrant. Lanier is on community control for two counts of Grand Theft and Burglary. He remains in custody.

On October 8<sup>th</sup>, Brett A. Satterfield (45) was booked into the GCDF on a Writ of Bodily Attachment for non-support. He was released on October 10<sup>th</sup> after he paid the purge amount of \$1,112.

On October 8<sup>th</sup>, Deputy P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on County Road (CR) 30-A near Money Bayou after observing a vehicle exceeding the posted speed limit and failing to maintain the lane. The driver, Stephen W. McClintock (67), was operating the vehicle on a suspended license and was placed under arrest. The passenger, Michelle S. McClintock (51) was also wanted on three outstanding warrants from another jurisdiction. Both were transported to the GCDF.

On October 8<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO received a complaint regarding a while male riding a bicycle in the middle of the roadway on State Road (SR) 71 in White City. The caller reported the subject was swerving in traffic and appeared to be under the influence. Another caller reported the cyclist was nearly struck by a vehicle after he swerved into oncoming traffic. Deputy G. Desrosier responded to the complaint and made contact with the subject, Billy R. Brandenburg (31). Deputy Desrosier reported Brandenburg was having a difficult time holding his head up and staying in the bike lane. Brandenburg stumbled several time during his contact with Deputy Desrosier. He was arrested for Disorderly Intoxication and transported to the GCDF. Brandenburg was first appeared and remains in custody.

On Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO transported Walton H. Butler (61) back to Zephyrhills Correctional Institution.

On October 10<sup>th</sup>, Deputy M. Layfield served Duane A. Topham (37) with a warrant for Violation of Probation (VOP) at the GCDF. Topham turned himself in. He is on probation for Felony Driving While License Suspended/Revoked (DWLS/R). He was booked into the GCDF and released on a \$1,000 bond. This is the fourth VOP the GCSO has served Topham.

On Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO received a complaint of a hit and run with injuries in the 8000 block of West Highway 98 on St. Joe Beach. Deputies responded to the scene. A vehicle fled the scene and continued to travel east on Highway 98 towards Port St. Joe. Two occupants of the vehicle were transported by EMS. The vehicle that fled

the scene was later located by Sgt. J. Richards with the Port St. Joe Police Department on SR 71 near Five Points Road. The Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) responded and investigated the case. Christopher A. Quinn (38) was arrested by FHP for DUI with Property Damage and Leaving the Scene of an Accident with Property Damage/Injury. Quinn was later first appeared and released on his own recognizance.

On October 11<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO received a complaint regarding the theft of multiple bamboo stalks from the 500 block of Burgess Creek Road. The complainant captured images of the suspect and vehicle using a cellular phone camera. Deputy M. Layfield was able to identify and contact the suspect in the case. The victim did not wish to pursue criminal charges and a Declaration of Intent was signed.

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 October 6th through October 12th the Communications Division at the GCSO logged a total of 49 calls for the Port St. Joe Police Department, 29 calls for EMS, 19 calls for other departments/agencies and 15 calls for Gulf County Animal Control.

From October 6th through October 12th the GCSO logged the following department activity: Security/Zone Checks, 161; Civil Paper Service, 82; Traffic Stop, 26; Field Contact, 22; Reckless Driver, 9; Alarm, 7; Information, 7; Suspicious Person, 7; Warrant Arrest, 6; Prowler/Trespass, 5; Special Detail, 5; Traffic Accident, 4; Welfare Check, 4; Mentally Ill, 3; Prisoner Transport, 3; Theft/Shoplifting, 4; Traffic Accident w/Injury, 2; Animal Call, 2; Agency Assist, 2; Noise Disturbance, 2; Unknown Disturbance, 2; Verbal Disturbance, 2; Missing Juvenile, 2; Request for Security Check, 2; Abandoned Vehicle, 1; Commercial Burglary, 1; Citizens Assist, 1; Criminal Mischief, 1; Disabled Motor Vehicle, 1; Domestic Disturbance, 1; Physical Disturbance, 1; Parade, 1; Fire, 1; Hit & Run Accident, 1; Lost Items, 1; Harassing Phone Calls, 1; Sexual Offender Re-Registration, 1; Suspicious Activity, 1, and Suspicious Vehicle, 1.

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