



# **Gulf County Sheriff's Office**

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### **GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY**

NOVEMBER 3, 2014 – NOVEMBER 9, 2014

On Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Deputy S. Ferrell arrested Asia N. Whitley (21) and served her with a warrant for Violation of Probation (VOP) at the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF). Whitley is on probation for Child Abuse and Criminal Mischief. She was originally arrested in Bay County on the warrant and held on October 30<sup>th</sup>. She was extradited back to Gulf County where the charges originated. This is the fifth VOP warrant served on Whitley. She was first appeared and remains in the custody of the GCDF without bond.

On Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, Lt. T. Wood arrested Carl R. Hopper, III, (34) in the area of St. Joseph Drive in Port St. Joe. A warrant for Violation of Injunction was issued for his arrest. The case was investigated by the Port St. Joe Police Department. Hopper was transported to the GCDF where he was later first appeared and released on his own recognizance.

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, Deputy D. Sanders responded to the 600 block of Dolphin Street in Highland View in reference to an assault. Prior to his arrival the alleged suspect left the scene. The incident remains under investigation.

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, Douglas N. Richards, Jr., (64) was arrested and served with a warrant for Violation of Probation. Richards is on probation for Domestic Battery by Strangulation. He was escorted to the GCDF from the courthouse where he was served the warrant. This is the fifth VOP issued and served on Richards. He was first appeared and released on his own recognizance.

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) received the report of a gas drive off from the 3000 block of North State Road (SR) 71. Deputy S. Ferrell responded to the complaint. The clerk reported that an older white female driving a gold car came inside the store and requested the fuel pump be turned on. After doing so, the subject pumped a total of \$19.00 in fuel and left without paying.

On Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. J. Williams responded to the 2400 block of Victoria Avenue in Highland View in reference to a theft. The complainant reported the theft of a trampoline, green Shimano fishing pole, a child's playhouse and a pair of posthole diggers. Sgt. Williams continues to investigate the case.

On Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, Deputy B. Smith responded to the 200 block of Cristin's Curve in St. Joe Beach regarding a potential burglary. The GCSO received the call at approximately 4:40am. The complainant reported they were woken by the sound of their dog barking and could hear the living room blinds moving. The resident found their window lying on the dining room table. The suspect did not remain on the property and was not located.

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO received a call regarding a residential burglary in the 300 block of Beacon Road in St. Joe Beach. Deputy S. Ferrell responded to the complaint. The incident was reported to have occurred at some point during the last six months. Several items that included electronics, power tools and firearms were stolen. There were no signs of forced entry into the residence. The reported value of the items missing is approximately \$10,615.

On Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, Deputy D. Sanders served and arrested John F. Littles (47) at the GCDF on a Writ of Bodily Attachment for Child Support. Littles was originally arrested in Pinellas County on October 9<sup>th</sup>. After clearing local charges he was extradited to Gulf County. He remains in custody.

On November 8<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO traveled to the Bay County Jail and extradited Lion S. Porter (20) back to Gulf County. Porter was wanted for Battery by the GCSO. The case originated on September 12, 2014. He was booked into the GCDF and later first appeared. He remains in custody on a \$2,500 bond.

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

From November 3rd through November 9th the Communications Division at the GCSO logged a total of 60 calls for the Port St. Joe Police Department, 47 calls for EMS, 19 calls for other departments/agencies and 12 calls for Gulf County Animal Control.

From November 3rd through November 9th the GCSO logged the following department activity: Security/Zone Checks, 154; Civil Paper Service, 30; Traffic Stop, 16; Field Contact, 15; Reckless Driver, 8; Information, 7; Animal Call, 4; Sexual Offender Reregistration, 4; Warrant Arrest, 4; Abandoned Vehicle, 3; Alarm, 3; Domestic Disturbance, 3; Prowler/Trespass, 3; Request for Security Check, 3; Special Detail, 3; Suspicious Person, 3; Suspicious Vehicle, 3; Traffic Accident, 3; Physical Disturbance, 2; Funeral Escort, 2; Prisoner Transport, 2; Theft/Shoplifting, 2; Simple Assault, 1; Agency Assist, 1; Aggravated Battery, 1; Residential Burglary, 1; Citizens Assistance, 1; Deceased Person, 1; Noise Disturbance, 1; Unknown Disturbance, 1; Verbal

Disturbance, 1; Gas Drive Off, 1; Lost Items/Personal, 1; Missing Person, 1; Harassing Phone Call, 1; Recovered Property, 1; and Mentally Ill, 1.

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