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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 9, 2015 - FEBRUARY 16, 2015

On Monday, February 9th, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) executed to transport orders by transporting Charles E. Hood, Sr., and William W. Thomas, Jr. from Walkulla Correctional Institution. Both inmates were scheduled to appear in circuit court. They were returned on Thursday, February 12th.

On February 9th, the GCSO received a complaint regarding a theft in the 300 block of South 2nd Street in Wewahitchka. The complainant reported to Deputy M. Layfield he discovered a pair of steel vehicle ramps stolen last Friday, February 6th. They were described as red and heavily worn. The ramps were valued at approximately \$40.

On February 9th, the GCSO received a complaint regarding a domestic dispute, from a third party, in the 600 block of Bryants Landing Road in Dalkeith. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the call and once he arrived was informed James R. Haney (38) possessed methamphetamine on his person and was seated in the rear seat of a vehicle on the property. Contact was made with Haney, who consented to a search of the vehicle and his person. The investigation resulted in Haney's arrest for Possession of Meth. He was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On February 9th, Deputy P. Baxley served John T. Sullivan (49) with a Writ of Bodily Attachment in the 100 block of Oak Avenue in Burgess Creek. Sullivan was taken into custody and transported to the GCDF.

On Tuesday, February 10th, the GCSO extradited Kenneth T. Beaver (46) from the Dothan Police Department in Dothan, AL. Beaver was transported to the GCDF and booked in on a warrant for Violation of Injunction for Protection.

On February 10th, Renell Thomas (59) was arrested and served a warrant for Violation of Probation at the GCDF. Thomas is on probation for Felony Battery.

On February 10th, Jerry L. Gainous (25) was taken into custody and served a Writ of Bodily Attachment out of St. Lucie County, Florida. He was booked into the GCDF.

On Wednesday, February 11th, Deputy S. Ferrell arrested Jason M. Whitfield (49) at 101 Rhodes Drive in Wewahitchka. The GCSO held active warrants for Whitfield. He was transported to the GCDF and booked in for Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Less Than Twenty Grams of Marijuana, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The case originated as a result of the search warrant executed on the residence last week.

On Thursday, February 12th, Samuel R. Hauser (46) was served with a warrant for Violation of Probation on his original charge of Reckless Driving. Hauser was booked into the GCDF.

On Friday, February 13th, GCSO Investigators and Deputies executed two separate search warrants. The warrants were served at 1110 West River Road and 139 Hill Circle in Wewahitchka. The following individuals were taken into custody: Henry P. Hands (30), Sale of Crack Cocaine within 1,000 feet of a Church (4 counts) and Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device; Robert J. Rouse (30), Sale of Crack Cocaine within 1,000 feet of a Church (3 counts), Possession of Less than Twenty Grams of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Robert J. Williams (29), Sale of Crack Cocaine (2 counts); Lukesha M. Myers (35), Possession of Less than Twenty Grams of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Vanessa Rouse (29), Possession of Less than Twenty Grams of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The search warrants yielded marijuana, drug paraphernalia, and \$7,038 in currency. The Gulf County Sheriff's Office will file for forfeiture of the confiscated money. All subjects were transported and booked into the GCDF.

On Friday, February 13th, Deputy P. Williams responded to the area of Liahona Street and County Road 386 in Wewahitchka. Deputy Williams was flagged down regarding a domestic disturbance in the road. Contact was made with the parties involved and an investigation was conducted. Deputy Williams arrested Ralph L. Jamerson (25) for Domestic Battery. Jamerson was transported to the GCDF.

On Sunday, February 15th, Sgt. R. Burkett responded to the 8100 block of Alabama Avenue in St. Joe Beach in reference to a domestic disturbance. Paul R. Keiser (48) was arrested and taken into custody for Domestic Violence. He was transported to the GCDF.

On February 15th, Deputy P. Williams responded to the complaint of a stolen vehicle in the 100 block of Our Town Road north of Wewahitchka. The complainant reported the theft of a 1996 Black Infiniti i30. A suspect was developed in the case and criminal charges are forthcoming. A BOLO for the vehicle was issued.

From February 9th through February 15th the Communications Division at the GCSO logged a total of 58 calls for the Port St. Joe Police Department, 46 calls for EMS, 15 calls for other department/agencies and 11 calls for Animal Control.

From February 9th through February 15th the GCSO logged the following activity: Security/Zone Check, 150; Civil Paper Service, 42; Traffic Stop, 34; Field Contact, 11; Special Detail, 7; Suspicious Vehicle, 6; Alarm, 4; Noise Disturbance, 4; Domestic Disturbance, 4; Warrant Arrest, 4; Disabled Motor Vehicle, 3; Physical Disturbance, 3; Prisoner Transport, 3; Suspicious Person, 3; Criminal Mischief, 2; Unknown Disturbance, 2; Information, 2; Lost Items, 2; Mentally Ill, 2; Harassing Phone Calls, 2; Reckless Driver, 2; Sexual Offender Reregistration, 2; Suspicious Activity, 2; Theft, 2; Agency Assist, 1; Grass Fire, 1; Trespass, 1; Stolen Vehicle, 1; and Welfare Check, 1.

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.

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