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## **GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY**

FEBRUARY 23, 2015 – MARCH 1, 2015

On Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) executed an order to transport by traveling to Milton, FL, to transport Ondrea D. Palmore (36) from the Santa Rosa Correctional Institution Annex to Gulf County. Palmore was scheduled to appear in circuit court the next day. Upon his arrival he was served with a warrant for Violation of Probation on his original charges of the Sale of Cocaine within 1,000 feet of a Church and booked into the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF). Palmore was transported back to the Santa Rosa Annex on Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

On Tuesday, February 24, Deputy D. Wisner responded to a complaint of a vehicle burglary in the 100 block of Bryant Landing Road in Dalkeith. The complainant reported he had left his vehicle unlocked and discovered the keys, which were left inside, along with a pack of cigarettes missing.

On February 24<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO executed an order to transport by traveling to the Bay County Jail and transporting Susan L. Hughen (46) to Gulf County. Hughen was scheduled to appear in circuit court. After her proceeding she was returned to the Bay County Jail.

On Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, Investigator J. Hanson and Deputy S. Ferrell arrested Ashley L. Johnson (23) in the 100 block of Our Town Road north of Wewahitchka. Warrants for the Sale of Oxycodone within 1,000 feet of a Church and the Sale of Oxycodone within 1,000 feet of a Park were served on Johnson. She was transported and booked into the GCDF.

On February 25<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. J. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with an expired tag in the area of Highland View on U.S. Highway 98. Contact was made with the driver, Jeffrey A. Childress (30). It was determined Childress was operating the vehicle without a valid driver's license. He was arrested and transported to the GCDF where he was charged with Driving While License Suspended/Revoked (DWLS/R).

On February 25<sup>th</sup>, Deputy J. Oquendo conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for an equipment violation in the area of State Road (SR) 71 and West Orange Avenue in Wewahitchka. Deputy Oquendo deployed his partner, K-9 Marco, to conduct an open air sniff around the vehicle. Marco alerted to the presence of illegal narcotics in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle resulted in the arrest of Marcus L. Cain, Jr. (46), and James W. Hostrop (42) for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Both were transported to the GCDF.

On Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, the GCSO traveled to the Bay County Jail to extradite Tammy J. Melton (46) and La'Juan O. Williams (26) to Gulf County. The GCSO held active warrants on both subjects. Melton was booked into the GCDF for Violation of Community Control on her original charge of Dealing in Stolen Property and Williams was booked in for Violation of Probation on his original charge of Criminal Mischief.

On Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, Deputy P. Williams conducted a traffic stop in the area of SR 71 and County Road 836 on a vehicle exceeding the posted speed. The vehicle was clocked on radar traveling 72 mph in a posted 45 mph zone. It was determined the driver of the vehicle, Brandy L. Hill (32), was driving on a suspended license. Hill was arrested and charged with DWLS/R and cited for Speeding, Seatbelt Violation, and Open Container. Hill was booked into the GCDF.

From February 23<sup>rd</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup> the Communications Division at the GCSO logged a total of 91 calls for the Port St. Joe Police Department, 33 calls for EMS, 13 calls for other department/agencies and 19 calls for Animal Control.

From February 23<sup>rd</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup> the GCSO logged the following activity: Security/Zone Check, 172; Traffic Stop, 80; Civil Paper Service, 38; Field Contact, 13; Requests for Security Checks, 9; Information, 8; Suspicious Vehicle, 6; Prisoner Transport, 5; Reckless Driver, 5; Special Detail, 4; Traffic Accident, 4; Domestic Disturbance, 3; Suspicious Activity, 3; Suspicious Person, 3; Warrant Arrest, 3; Abandoned Vehicle, 2; Alarm, 2; Criminal Mischief, 2; Disabled Motor Vehicle, 2; Verbal Disturbance, 2; Escort, 2; Street Obstruction, 2; Burglary of Auto, 1; Contact Message, 1; Unknown Disturbance, 1; Structure Fire, 1; Lost Items, 1; Harassing Phone Calls, 1; Trespass, 1; Recovered Property, 1; Sexual Offender, 1; and Shooting Incident, 1.

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