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TRAFFIC STOP LEADS TO DRUG ARREST

Sheriff Mike Harrison announces the arrest of Lance P. Larry (33) and David A. Williams (56). The arrests were the result of a traffic stop conducted by Sgt. J. Williams.

Sgt. Williams was on patrol in the area of Avenue A in Port St. Joe when he observed a vehicle exceeding the posted speed limit. The vehicle was clocked on radar traveling 36 mph in a posted 25 mph zone. Sgt. Williams stopped the vehicle and made contact with the occupants at Robbins Avenue and Avenue A. Once contact was made he developed reason to believe the occupants possessed illegal narcotics.

Deputy J. Hanson and his partner K-9 Marco assisted on the stop and conducted a free air sniff of the exterior of the vehicle. Marco alerted to the presence of illegal narcotics on the passenger side of the vehicle, which was where Larry was seated. A search of Larry yielded a plastic bag of a white powdery substance which field tested positive for cocaine. The total weight of the bag of powder cocaine was 28.8 grams.

Larry was arrested and charged with Trafficking in Cocaine. Williams was charged with Possession of Less Than Twenty Grams of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Both were transported to the GCDF.

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