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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

NOVEMBER 30, 2015 - DECEMBER 6, 2015

On Monday, November 30th, at 0200 hours the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) received a 911 call from the 2200 block of U.S. Highway 98 in Highland View. The caller advised a male was covered in blood and had been hit with a baseball bat. Sgt. J. Williams responded to the call to investigate. EMS responded and transported the victim in the case to Sacred Heart Hospital on the Gulf, who was later released the same day. The investigation continued the following day, which yielded a positive identification of the suspect through the use of a photo line-up. An arrest warrant was sought and obtained for David S. Watts (24) for Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon. Watts was arrested on Wednesday, December 1st, and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On November 30th, Investigator S. Ferrell and Deputy P. Williams conducted a traffic stop in the area of State Road (SR) 71 and Our Town Road. The stop resulted in the arrest of Sandra F. Adkison (43) on a warrant out of Bay County. She was transported to the GCDF.

On November 30th, an arrest warrant was served on Michael B. McDaniel (35) at the GCDF for Violation of Probation. McDaniel was already in custody. He was on probation for Felony Driving While License Suspended/Revoked (DWLS/R).

On November 30th, Byron B. Butler (34) was arrested for Sexual Battery (three counts), Unlawful Sexual Activity with Certain Minors (three counts), Incest (three counts), Child Abuse, and Contributing to the Delinquency of a Child. The arrest is the culmination of an investigation conducted by Lt. P. Beasley. Butler was already in custody at the GCDF.

On Tuesday, December 1st, the GCSO executed three separate transport orders. Josie W. Miller (31) was transported from the Jackson County Correctional Facility in Marianna to Gulf County. Melissa A. Ash (34) and Ashton J. Larry (28) were transported from the Bay County Jail to Gulf County. All subjects were scheduled to appear in circuit court. Ash and Miller were returned to their facilities the same day.

On December 1st, Sara A. Gallegos (33) was transported from the Bay County Jail to the GCDF on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Gallegos was on probation for Larceny. She was turned over to the staff at the GCDF.

On December 1^{st} , Deputy C. Harvey responded to the 100 block of SR 71 North in Wewahitchka in reference to criminal mischief. The complainant reported that someone had placed sugar in their vehicle's fuel tank. The incident occurred sometime between November 30^{th} and December 1^{st} in the 400 block of Highlands Drive.

On December 1st, Deputy M. Ward arrested Jamie L. Bruner (30) at the GCDF by serving a warrant for Violation of Probation. Burner was already in the custody of the GCDF.

On December 1st, Deputy M. Ward arrested Byron B. Butler (34) on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Butler was on probation for Domestic Battery. He was already in custody at the GCDF.

On Wednesday, December 2nd, Deputy G. Desrosier arrested Tyler G. Saucier (22) in the 400 block of Monument Avenue in Port St. Joe. Saucier was wanted for Contempt of Court. He was transported to the GCDF.

On December 2nd, Investigator S. Ferrell and Deputy P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 100 block of Oak Avenue in Burgess Creek. The vehicle was operated by Dennis F. Sullivan (63) who was known by deputies not to possess a valid driver's license. Once stopped, Sullivan told Investigator Ferrell he didn't have a driver's license due to a Driving Under the Influence (DUI) conviction. It was also determined the tag attached to the vehicle was not the tag assigned to it. While speaking with Sullivan a strong odor of marijuana could be smelled coming from within the vehicle. After inquiring about the odor the passenger, Joshua A. Causey (32), state he might have a "roach or something in my pocket." After removing the contents of his pockets he was found in possession of a partially burnt marijuana cigarette, two smoking devices which contained marijuana residue and a small plastic baggie which contained a crystal like substance which tested positive for methamphetamine. Sullivan was arrested and charged with DWLS/R and Attaching a Tag Not Assigned to a Vehicle. Causey was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Less Than Twenty Grams (LTTG) of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Both subjects were transported to the GCDF.

On December 2nd, Investigator S. Ferrell and Deputy P. Williams stopped a vehicle in the area of 2nd Street and Lake Grove Road in Wewahitchka. Shawna M. O'Bryan (27) occupied the vehicle and was wanted for Violation of Probation. The driver of the vehicle, Bobbi Jo K. Duke (25) was operating the vehicle on a suspended driver's license. Both O'Bryan and Duke were placed under arrest. During an inventory of the vehicle prior to tow investigators located drug paraphernalia, small plastic baggies with a crystal like residue, and digital scales. The crystal like substance in several pipes tested positive for methamphetamine. Duke was arrested and charged with DWLS/R, Possession of Methamphetamine with Intent to Distribute, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. O'Bryan was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine with Intent to Distribute, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Violation of Probation. Both were transported to the GCDF. O'Bryan was also later served and arrested on a warrant for Burglary, which was the result of an investigation that which began on October 20th in the 600 block of Byrd Parker Drive.

On Thursday, December 3rd, Deputy J. Hanson conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of SR 22 and SR 71 in Wewahitchka for a traffic violation. Deputy Hanson deployed his partner, K-9 Marco, to conduct a sniff of the air around the vehicle. K-9 Marco alerted to the presence of illegal narcotics in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle resulted in the arrest of Kyle E. Jones (24) for Possession of LTTG Marijuana. He was transported to the GCDF.

On Friday, December 4th, Deputy C. Harvey responded to the 7000 block of Doc Whitfield Road in Howard Creek after the GCSO received a call regarding a residential burglary. The suspect in the case forced their way into the home and stole canned food from within. No other items were reported stolen. The offense occurred within the last three months.

On Saturday, December 5th, the GCSO received a complaint regarding a theft in the 500 block of Shorty Kemp Road west of Wewahitchka. Deputy C. Harvey responded to investigate the complaint. The complainant reported the theft of a 150-quart white Igloo Cooler and a red sixgallon gas tank from a boat, which was full of fuel. The estimated value of the items stolen was \$175.

If you have any information regarding the aforementioned cases please contact the Gulf County Sheriff's Office at 850-227-1115 or 850-639-5717. If you wish to remain anonymous call Crime Stoppers at 850-785-TIPS.

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