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### **GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY**

FEBRUARY 29, 2016 – MARCH 6, 2016

On Monday, February 29, Erika Nicole McNair (27) turned herself in at the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) due to a warrant. McNair was wanted for Public Assistance Fraud. Deputy C. Smith took McNair into custody and turned her over to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF) staff.

On February 29, Sgt. J. Williams stopped a vehicle in the area of County Road (CR) 381 and State Road (SR) 71. Sgt. Williams observed Aaron S. Whitehurst (32) operating the vehicle and knew that he did not have a valid driver's license due to his recent arrest on February 7. The stop resulted in the arrest of Whitehurst for Driving While License Suspended/Revoked (DWLS/R). He was transported to the GCDF.

On February 29, William J. Mayhann (46) turned himself in at the GCSO on a Writ of Bodily Attachment. Mayhann was taken into custody by Deputy C. Smith and turned over to the GCDF staff.

On Tuesday, March 1, Sgt. J. Williams conducted a traffic stop which resulted in the arrest of Brandon J. Rouse (27) and Lester Hand (73). Rouse was charged with Possession of Crack Cocaine, Possession of Methamphetamine with Intent to Distribute, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Possession of Less Than Twenty Grams of Marijuana. Hand was charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Both were transported to the GCDF.

On March 1, Deputy S. Cook responded to the 4300 block of Cape San Blas Road in reference to a shoplifting complaint. The complainant reported a subject came into the store and removed a piece of merchandise without paying for it. The offense was captured on video surveillance. Deputy Cook developed a suspect in the case and criminal charges are forthcoming.

On Wednesday, March 2, Deputy M. Peek responded to the 200 block of West River Road in Wewahitchka in reference to a suspicious person complaint. An investigation into the complaint resulted in the arrest of Willie E. Jones, Jr. (27) who was wanted by the GCSO on three warrants for the Sale of Crack Cocaine within 1,000 Feet of a Church and the Unlawful Use of a Two-way

Communications Device. At the time of his arrest, he was found in possession of illegal narcotics. Jones was also charged with Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Crack Cocaine, DWLS/R, and Providing False Information to a Law Enforcement Officer. A hold was placed on Jones due to an active warrant for his arrest in Franklin County. Jones was transported to the GCDF.

On Thursday, March 3, Investigator S. Ferrell and Investigator P. Williams arrested Kathleen M. Shipman (54) in the 100 block of Burgess Creek Road. Shipman was wanted for Violation of Probation. She was transported to the GCDF.

On Friday, March 4, the GCSO received a complaint of a theft in the 500 block of Kemp Cemetery Road. Deputy S. Cook responded to investigate the complaint. The complainant reported the theft of gas and an outboard motor propeller. The propeller was described as black with two blades. The prop was valued at \$105.

On March 4, Investigator S. Ferrell and Investigator P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on SR 71 and Stone Mill Creek Road. The stop resulted in the arrest of Mac A. Griffin (60). After Investigators developed reason to believe he was in possession of an illegal narcotic, Deputy B. Smith deployed K-9 Brix to conduct an open air sniff around the vehicle. K-9 Brix alerted on the vehicle and a search of it yielded approximately 194 grams of cocaine. Griffin was charged with Trafficking in Cocaine and transported to the GCDF.

On Saturday, March 5, Deputy G. Desrosier arrested William J. Thompson (41) on U.S. Highway 98 near the Highland View Bridge. Deputy Desrosier was on patrol and observed Thompson walking across the bridge. Contact was made and it was determined Thompson was wanted in the state of Arkansas for child support. He was transported to the GCDF.

On Sunday, March 6, Deputy C. Smith conducted a traffic stop in the area of SR 71 and Hysmith Drive in Honeyville. The driver, Melody R. Robinson-Armstrong (38), was operating the vehicle on a suspended license. She was subsequently arrested for DWLS/R and transported to the GCDF.

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