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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

APRIL 4, 2016 – APRIL 10, 2016

On Monday, April 4, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) received a complaint regarding a domestic dispute in the 6800 block of State Road (SR) 71 in White City. Deputy M. Manley responded to investigate the complaint. At the conclusion of the investigation, Deputy Manley arrested Chad E. Medley (35) for Aggravated Battery (Domestic) and Battery (Domestic). Medley was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On April 4, the GCSO received a 911 call in reference to a physical disturbance at the Dollar General in Wewahitchka. Deputy D. Sanders responded to the complaint. It was determined a physical altercation took place in the business. At the conclusion of Deputy Sander's investigation Twala E. Tiller (39) was arrested and charged with Aggravated Battery and Disorderly Conduct. Tiller was transported to the GCDF.

On Tuesday, April 5, the GCSO extradited Justin S. Armstead (30) and Laura L. Macks (37) from the Bay County Jail. Both subjects were arrested in Bay County on Gulf County warrants for Violation of Probation. Armstead and Macks were transported to the GCDF.

On April 5, Investigator P. Williams and Investigator S. Ferrell arrested Gordon F. Hammond (40) in the 100 block of McGlon Drive in Wewahitchka. Hammond was wanted for Violation of Probation. While at the residence, Investigator Williams observed Jimmy Hammond (26) operating a vehicle without a valid driver's license. J. Hammond was arrested for Driving While License Suspended/Revoked (DWLS/R). Both were transported to the GCDF.

On April 5, Investigator P. Williams and Investigator S. Ferrell arrested Charles E. Thursbay (51). Thursbay was wanted for a theft that was reported to the GCSO on March 30. He was transported to the GCDF.

On Thursday, April 7, Deontae J. George (18) turned himself into the GCSO on an active warrant for Petit Theft. Deputy M. Layfield arrested George and turned him over to the staff at the GCDF.

On April 7, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams arrested Christopher J. Girschet (37) in the area of Bryant Landing Road in Dalkeith. Girschet was wanted by the Bay County Sheriff's Office. He was taken into custody and transported to the GCDF.

On April 7, Deputy C. Smith responded to the 200 block of Johnson Lane in Wewahitchka in reference to a physical disturbance. At the conclusion of the investigation, Deputy Smith arrested Amanda C. Hicks (33) for Battery (Domestic). Hicks was transported to the GCDF.

On Friday, April 8, the GCSO received a complaint regarding criminal mischief to several cattle gates that protected the entrances to private property on County Road (CR) 20 just west of White City. Deputy P. Baxley responded to investigate the complaint. The gates were damaged intentionally to access the property. The estimated damage was \$600.

On April 8, Deputy C. Harvey conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle exceeding the speed limit in the school zone adjacent to Wewahitchka Elementary School. The driver of the vehicle, Kayla R. Langley (32), was knowingly operating the vehicle without a valid driver's license. Deputy Harvey arrested Langley and transported her to the GCDF for DWLS/R.

On April 8, Investigator S. Ferrell arrested Mark A. Gay (49) in the 1000 block of Cypress Avenue in Port St. Joe. Gay was wanted for two counts of Contracting without a License. He was transported to the GCDF.

On April 8, Tomas A. Parker (30) was arrested for Contempt of Court. Parker was transported to the GCDF from Bay County.

On April 8, Deputy D. Sanders conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Lake Grove Road and Canning Drive for a moving violation. The driver of the vehicle, Chad A. Steele (31), was determined not to have a valid driver's license. Steele was arrested and transported to the GCDF for No Valid Driver's License.

On Sunday, April 10, Investigator P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on SR 30-A near Sly Street in Simmons Bayou. The vehicle was stopped for exceeding the speed limit. When Investigator Williams contacted the driver and could smell the strong odor of burnt marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. A search of the vehicle yielded a burnt marijuana cigarette. William J. Hinson, II (29), was arrested and transported to the GCDF for Possession of Less Than Twenty Grams of Marijuana.

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

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