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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

October 10, 2016 - October 16, 2016

On Monday, October 10, 2016, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) received an assistance request from Gulf Correctional Institutional (Gulf CI). Gulf CI reported an employee had been caught bringing contraband into the institution. Deputy C. Harvey responded to Gulf CI to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed Correctional Officer Sharon Elaine Rogers (46) attempted to smuggle a carton of cigarettes, two cellular telephones, three cellular telephone chargers and one battery into the institution to give to inmates. During a search of Roger's identification holder, she was found to be possession of methamphetamine with drug paraphernalia. Rogers was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Introduction, Removal, or Possession of Certain Articles Unlawful. Rogers was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On October 10, 2016, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 8100 block of Highway 98 in St Joe Beach. Deputy C. Smith responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported they left their non-motorized "beach buggie" in the sand dunes after sunset. The complainant reported the following day the buggie along with its contents had been stolen. Deputy Smith continues to investigate.

On October 10, 2016, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a maroon Chevrolet truck driven by Tori Anne Broxson (18) in the 3400 block of State Road 71 for a moving violation. A driver's license check revealed Broxson was driving with a suspended license and had

attached a tag not assigned to her vehicle. While be placed under arrest for Driving While License Suspended or Revoked Broxson physically resisted the officers. During a vehicle inventory it was discovered Broxson was in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. T. Broxson was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Driving While License Suspended, Attach Registration License Plate Not Assigned and Resisting an Officer w/out Violence. While investigators were on scene waiting for a wrecker T. Broxson's father, David Arthur Broxson Jr. (46), arrived on scene and attempted to take possession of the vehicle. A driver's license checked revealed D. Broxson was driving on a suspended license. He was placed under arrest and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked. T. Broxson and D. Broxson were transported to the GCDF.

On October 10, 2016, at approximately 8pm Eastern Time the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 300 block of Henry Avenue in Wewahitchka. Deputy G. Desrosier responded to the complaint. The complainant reported a white male, 5'06", long blonde hair to the middle of his back, wearing a black shirt with a skull stole a tool box in their yard and was last seen running down Henry Avenue. Deputy Desrosier attempted to locate the suspect but was unsuccessful. Deputy Desrosier continues to investigate.

On Tuesday, October 11, 2016, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a white Nissan truck driven by Jarrett Cleveland Pridgeon (35) on Ross Stripling Road in Howard Creek for unlawful speed. The investigators smelled the odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle and observed a smoking pipe in plain view in the center console. The investigators conducted a probable cause search and discovered Pridgeon was in possession of methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia and ammunition. Pridgeon was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Ammunition by a Convicted Felon and Violation of Probation. Pridgeon was transported to the GCDF.

On October 11, 2016, Investigator L. Dickey began an investigation into a stolen utility trailer. The trailer was stolen from the 6900 block of Highway 98 in St Joe Beach. Investigator Dickey continues to investigate.

On October 11, 2016, Lt. P. Beasley and Crime Scene Technician (CST) R. Zemlock executed a deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) search warrant on Inmate Alexander Martinez-Perez (38) at Gulf Forestry Camp. The search warrant

was the result of an ongoing burglary investigation by the Osceola County Sheriff's Office (OCSO) where Martinez-Perez is a suspect.

On Wednesday, October 12, 2016, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell conducted a traffic stop on a red Ford truck driven by John Tom Sullivan (51) on State Road 71 in the Honeyville area for a moving a violation. A driver's license checked revealed Sullivan was driving on a suspended license. Sullivan was issued a criminal citation for Driving While License Suspended or Revoked with a mandatory required court appearance. Sullivan was released at the scene.

On October 12, 2016, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a green Ford truck driven by Lenina Rayne Wiles (25) on County Road 386 in the Overstreet area for operating a vehicle with a suspended license. Wiles was placed under arrest and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked and Violation of Probation. Wiles was transported to the GCDF.

On October 12, 2016, the GCSO received a walk-in theft complaint. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint. The complainant reported their 6.5ft X 16ft flatbed utility trailer was stolen from the 2800 block of Victoria Avenue in Highland View. The trailer has a red in color frame with wood decking. Deputy Manley continues to investigate.

On October 12, 2016, the GCSO received a burglary complaint that occurred in the 2000 block of Lake Grove Road in Wewahitchka. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed the complainant's fish camp had been burglarized. A 32 inch Samsung television, a .25 caliber air rifle, JVC speakers and a telescope were stolen during the burglary. This case has been assigned to the GCSO Criminal Investigations Division (CID).

On Thursday, October 13, 2016, the GCSO received a report of an individual acting aggressive and threatening suicide at Rish Park located at Cape San Blas. Deputy B. Smith and Deputy M. Peek responded to the scene. Deputy Smith made contact with the suspect who was identified as George Phillip McNeill (33) and attempted to calm him down but did not have success. McNeill then used his to knee to strike Deputy Smith in the groin area. Deputies were able to take McNeill into custody using the minimal amount of force necessary to effect the arrest and protect themselves. McNeill was

charged with Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer and Resisting Arrest with Violence. McNeill was transported to the GCDF.

On October 13, 2016, Deputy A. White executed a transported order and transported Donta Bernard Brown (39) from the Bay County Jail and delivered him to the GCDF. Brown was served with a Failure to Appear arrest warrant.

On October 13, 2016, Sgt. C. Dixon executed a transported order and transported Casey William Kelley (39) from the Franklin County Jail and delivered him to the GCDF. Kelley was wanted for Uttering forged bills, checks, drafts, or notes.

On Friday, October 14, 2016, Deputy C. Sanders arrested Joshua Sherfield Greene (26) for a Violation of Probation warrant in the 300 block of Garrison Avenue. Greene was transported to the GCDF.

On October 14, 2016, Investigator S. Ferrell, Investigator P. Williams, Deputy C. Harvey and Deputy B. Smith arrested Johnny Charles Thomas (65) in the 800 block of Long Avenue in Port Saint Joe. Thomas was wanted for two counts of Sale of Crack Cocaine within 1000 feet of a Church. The warrant was the result of an investigation by GCSO Special Investigations Division (SID).

On October 14, 2016, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams served Ezekial T. Register III (30) with an arrest warrant at the GCDF. Register was wanted on two counts of Sale of Crack Cocaine within 1000 feet of a Church. The warrant was the result of an investigation by GCSO Special Investigations Division (SID).

On October 14, 2016, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams served Johnny Phillip Chastain (63) at the GCDF with a Violation of Probation warrant.

On October 14, 2016, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams arrested Amanda Lee Shipman (26) in the 100 block of Arrowhead Circle in northern Gulf County. Shipman was wanted for Violation of Probation. Shipman was transported to the GCDF.

On October 14, 2016, Deputy M. Manley executed a transported order and transported to Utria Yoendry Pagan (31) from a correctional facility in

Seminole County to Gulf County. Pagan was wanted in Gulf County for Violation of Probation. Pagan was delivered to the GCDF.

On Saturday, October 15, 2016, the GCSO received a domestic violence complaint in the 6500 block of Georgia Avenue in St. Joe Beach. Deputy C. Smith responded to the scene to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed the complainant attempted to remove their minor child from the former spouse's arms. According to the complainant the former spouse's grandparent committed battery against them during the incident. Deputy C. Smith observed scratches on the complainant that substantiated their allegations. Due to the circumstances complaint affidavits were submitted to the State Attorney's Office for review. Battery charges are pending.

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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