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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 13, 2017 – FEBRUARY 19, 2017

On Monday, February 13, 2017, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell conducted a traffic stop on a gray Nissan driven by Blain Allen Pitts (28) on State Road 71 and Lake Heights Drive north of Wewahitchka for having prior knowledge his driver's license were suspended. During the traffic stop Pitts admitted to the investigators he knew his driver's license was suspended. A records check confirmed Pitts was driving on a suspended license. Pitts was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked. Pitts was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On Tuesday, February 14, 2017, Deputy G. Desrosier arrested Lorin Barto White Jr. (57) in the 800 block of Jones Homestead Road in Jones Homestead for an Out of County arrest warrant. White was wanted by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office. White was transported to the GCDF.

On February 14, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell arrested Vertis Ray Hysmith (34) in the 200 block of Parker Farm Road in Wewahitchka. Hysmith was wanted by the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) for Violation of Probation. Hysmith was transported to the GCDF.

On February 14, Deputy C. Harvey executed a transport order and transported Harold Wade Small (65) from a correctional facility in Chattahoochee and delivered him to the GCDF.

On February 14, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell arrested Shelton Dale Hall (37) in the 300 block of South 7th Street in Wewahitchka. Hall was wanted by the GCSO for a Failure to Appear on an Uttering a Forged Instrument charge. Hall was transported to the GCDF.

On Friday, February 17, a student at Port Saint Joe High School (PSJHS) filed a theft report with GCSO School Resource Officer Sgt. S. Strickland. The student reported their iPhone 6 described as brushed gold in color was stolen from the gymnasium area. Sgt. Strickland continues to investigate.

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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