



# **Gulf County Sheriff's Office**

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### **GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY**

DECEMBER 18, 2017 – DECEMBER 31, 2017

On Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, Deputy D. House was dispatched to Hwy 71 and Flemings Curve to assist an FWC Officer who had checked out with a disabled vehicle. Deputy House identified two subjects that were traveling in the vehicle as Corey Squires (28) and Robert Caine Maples (23). Deputy House discovered that the vehicle that Squires and Maples was traveling in did not have insurance so a wrecker was called to tow the vehicle from the roadway. Before the vehicle was towed, K-9 M. Peek arrived on scene and deployed K-9 “Brix” to conduct a free air sniff around the vehicle. Brix alerted on the vehicle, giving deputies probable cause to search it. A search of the vehicle revealed Marijuana, Methamphetamine and Oxycodone pills. Squires was arrested and charged with the items found in the car. Maples was searched and in his front pocket was an amount of Methamphetamine. Maples was arrested and charged accordingly and both subject were transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams arrested Elijah Earl Spencer (33) on a warrant for Retail Theft. Spencer was located in the 5000 block of South Hwy 71. While making the arrest, investigators found Spencer to be in possession of Methamphetamine. Spencer was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, Deputy G. Desrosier was assigned to investigate a trespassing in the 300 block of Whippoorwill Avenue in Overstreet. The overseer of the property noticed that the bed in the master bedroom was messed up, perhaps slept in. The shower curtain in the master bedroom was taken down and the coffee pot in the kitchen was used. Nothing was reported stolen.

On Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. J. Williams observed someone driving a four-wheeler on CR 381 near Burgess Creek Road. Sgt. Williams stopped the four-wheeler and made contact with the driver and a passenger. During the course of the traffic stop, Sgt. Williams deployed K-9 “Ellie” to conduct a free air sniff of the four-wheeler and of a back pack that the passenger was wearing. K-9 “Ellie” alerted on the back pack, giving Sgt. Williams probable cause to search it. Sgt. Williams searched the bag and found a glass pipe that was

used to smoke Methamphetamine. The passenger was identified as Jessica Nicole Brock (35). Brock was placed under arrest and charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, Deputy G. Desrosier was patrolling the area of Grouper Avenue and Marlin Street when he noticed two individuals standing near a tent on the side of the road. Deputy Desrosier made contact with the two subjects and identified them as Justin Erik Toporcer (34) and Amy Marie Dougherty (34). He discovered that both subjects were wanted on criminal charges in Virginia but authorities in Virginia would not extradite them. Dougherty however was wanted in Gulf County also for failing to pay fines. Dougherty was arrested and transported to the Gulf County Facility.

On Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams observed a vehicle being driven by Ray Ellison Stripling (45) on Hwy 71 in Wewahitchka. It was known that Stripling did not possess a valid driver's license. A check of his driver's license status confirmed that they were suspended. Investigators attempted to stop Stripling on Hwy 71 near East Church Street but Stripling refused to stop. Stripling sped up and finally came to a stop in the 100 block of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Stripling became belligerent and uncooperative as he was told he was being arrested for driving with a suspended driver's license. Stripling was taken into custody and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71, north of Stonemill Creek Road. Investigators made contact with the driver, as well four passengers. During contact with the occupants, investigators could smell an odor of Marijuana emitting from inside the vehicle. K-9 Deputy M. Peek arrived on scene to deploy his K-9 "Brix". The K-9 alerted and a search of the vehicle ensued. A search of the vehicle revealed Methamphetamine, Marijuana and Hydrocodone. Marcus Leonard Cain (49) arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of a Controlled Substance (Hydrocodone) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Colton Lee Mullinax (22) was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine. Jasmine Nicole Woullard (25) was arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana. All three subjects were taken to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, Deputy D. House was assigned to investigate a report of a burglary in the 8000 block of CR 386. Someone had broken into a garage and stole several pieces of power tools. Reported stolen was a Stihl pole saw, Makita chain saw, Dewalt angle grinder, Dewalt Rotary tool, Bosch Jig Saw, Powerwinch winch, Dewalt battery packs and some other miscellaneous tools. The case is pending further investigation.

On Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, Deputy D. House was dispatched to the 600 block of N. Long in Overstreet to investigate a report of a theft. The victim claimed that an invited guest into his home went into his bedroom drawer and stolen a large sum of U.S. Currency and a gold necklace. Deputy House and Sgt. Williams have developed a suspect and will be working with the Criminal Investigations Division to solve the case.

On Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. J. Williams received information from an anonymous tip that Heather Rene Coyle (44) was located at a residence on Chapel Lane in Overstreet. Coyle had a warrant for her arrest for Violation of Probation. Coyle is on probation of possession of Methamphetamine. Sgt. Williams, along with other deputies, went to the residence Coyle was to be located at. Coyle was located inside the home, hiding in a closet. Coyle was arrested and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, K-9 Deputy M. Peek conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of Mallard Street and Hummingbird Street in Overstreet. During the traffic stop Deputy Peek obtained consent to search the vehicle. During the search, Deputy Peek found Methamphetamine, Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia inside a bag belonging to the passenger, who was identified as Jered William Roberson (24). Roberson was placed under arrest and charged accordingly.

On Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, K-9 Deputy M. Peek conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 near Chipola Street in Wewahitchka. Deputy Peek made contact with the driver and identified him as Chance Devon Chester Lewis (21). During the course of the traffic stop Deputy Peek gained consent to search his vehicle. Upon search of the vehicle, Deputy Peek discovered Methamphetamine, Marijuana and drug paraphernalia inside it. Lewis claimed ownership of the drugs and paraphernalia and was subsequently arrested and charged accordingly.

On Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, Deputy P. Young was on a service call on Hwy 22 in Wewahitchka when he encountered Von Terrell Holmes (52). While speaking with Holmes, Deputy Young learned that he was wanted in Calhoun County for failure to pay child support. Holmes was arrested and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, Deputy D. House conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 22 near the Dixie Dandy in Wewahitchka. After making contact with the driver, consent was given to search the vehicle for contraband. A search of the car revealed a personal amount of marijuana belonging to the passenger, Kimberlin Roxanne Morgan (45). Morgan was arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana.

On Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, Deputy D. Sanders went to a residence on Laurel Wood Street in Wewahitchka to locate Kimberly Denise Rhames (46) on a violation of probation warrant. Rhames was on probation for possession of methamphetamine. Deputy Sanders found Rhames and placed her under arrest. Rhames was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, Willie Edward Pelt (35) was picked up by a bail bondsman after the bondsman revoked his bond. Pelt was delivered to Deputy M. Manley to be transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, Deputy D. Sanders conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 near Church Street in Wewahitchka. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Christin Wade Barnhart (21) and it was learned that Barnhart's driver's license was suspended for failing to pay traffic fines. Barnhart was arrested and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

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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