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## GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

October 24, 2016 – October 30, 2016

On Monday, October 24, 2016, Deputy C. Harvey conducted a traffic stop on a black Chevrolet driven by Rachael Ann Asbey (23) on West Church Avenue in Wewahitchka for unlawful speed. A driver's license check revealed Asbey was driving on a suspended license resulting from a DUI suspension that occurred in September 2016. Asbey was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked. Asbey was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On October 24, 2016, Deputies A. White and D. Sanders arrested Zachary Ryan Nelson (29) at the intersection of Cockles Avenue and Bonnet Street in the Beacon Hill area. Nelson had an active warrant for Failure to Appear. Nelson was arrested and transported to the GCDF.

On Tuesday, October 25, 2016, David Lee Bollinger (48) surrendered himself at the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) for an active Failure to Appear warrant. Deputy M. Layfield arrested Bollinger and delivered him to the GCDF.

On October 25, 2016, the GCSO received a theft complaint that occurred in the 200 block of Mossy Road in Wewahitchka. Deputy A. White responded to the complaint. The complainant reported their bicycle (children's bike, red with black accents, no further description) had been stolen from their residence. Deputy White continues to investigate.

On October 25, 2016, Deputy D. Sanders was patrolling in the 200 block of South Dianna Street in the Stone Mill Creek area and observed Tonya Denise Slade (46) attempting to look inside windows of several different residences. Deputy Sanders approached Slade and she attempted to hide from him underneath a front porch of one of the residences. Slade then attempted to flee from Deputy Sanders on foot. Deputy Sanders pursued Slade apprehending her at a nearby residence. Slade was arrested and charged with Loitering and Prowling and Resisting Arrest without Violence. Slade was transported to the GCDF.

On Wednesday, October 26, 2016, Sgt. S. Strickland arrested a juvenile at Port Saint Joe High School who was wanted by Panama City Police Department (PCPD) for Sending Harmful Materials or Distribution to Minors. This offense occurred in PCPD jurisdiction. The juvenile was transported to the GCDF.

On October 26, 2016, the GCSO received a suspicious person complaint in the 300 block of State Road 71 in Wewahitchka. The complainant reported a white male was laying on the ground behind a business surrounded by beer bottles. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed Timothy Lamar Taunton (53) was intoxicated in public. Deputy Baxley placed Taunton under arrest and Taunton resisted the deputy by physically pulling away from him. Deputy Baxley used the minimal amount of force to effect the arrest. Deputy Baxley search Taunton incident to arrest and discovered he was in was in possession of merchandise from the business that he just shoplifted. Taunton was charged with Disorderly Intoxication, Resisting and Officer without Violence and Retail Theft. Taunton was transported to the GCDF.

On October 26, 2016, the GCSO received a domestic disturbance complaint in the 300 block of Firehouse Road in the Overstreet area. Deputy M. Peek responded to the disturbance to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed Paul Harold Cason (52) committed domestic battery against his paramour and a friend of the paramour. Deputy Peek observed physical injuries to the victims that substantiated their allegations. Cason was placed under arrest and charged with Domestic Battery, Battery and Aggravated Assault. Cason was transported to the GCDF.

On October 26, 2016, the GCSO received a domestic disturbance complaint in the 100 block of Palm Street in the Red Bull Island area. Deputy M. Manley

responded to the disturbance to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed two adult siblings engaged in a verbal argument. One sibling reported the other battered them but had left the scene prior to law enforcement arrival. Deputy Manley conducted several interviews with witnesses and received conflicting statements as to what actually occurred. This investigation has been sent to the State Attorney's Office (SAO) for further review. Criminal charges are pending upon a SAO review of the investigation.

On October 26, 2016, Deputy M. Peek conducted a traffic stop on a black Mercedes driven by Wendy Lynn Woodman (39) at the intersection of Garrison Avenue & 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Port Saint Joe for investigative purposes. A driver's license check revealed Woodman was driving on a suspended license. Woodman was placed under arrest and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked. Woodman was transported to the GCDF.

On Thursday, October 27, 2016, Deputy M. Peek conducted a traffic stop on a gold Toyota driven by Shelton Cortez Lewis (32) in the 7000 block of Highway 98 in the St. Joe Beach area for an equipment violation. A driver's check revealed Lewis was driving with a suspended license. Lewis was placed under arrest and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked. Lewis was transported to the GCDF.

On October 27, 2016, Carlton Tyler Smith (29) surrendered himself at the GCDF. The GCSO held an active warrant for his arrest for Arson. The arrest warrant was the result of an arson investigation by Investigator L. Dickey that began on September 20, 2016.

On October 27, 2016, Deputy P. Baxley served Wendy Lynn Woodman (39) with a Violation of Probation arrest warrant at the GCDF.

On October 27, 2016, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 200 block of John Dill Road in the northern area of Gulf County. Deputy C. Harvey responded to the theft to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported three rod and reels had been stolen from their front porch. Deputy B. Smith subsequently recovered the stolen rod and reels later in the day. Deputy Harvey continues to investigate.

On October 27, 2016, Deputy C. Harvey conducted a traffic stop on a blue Oldsmobile driven by Santana Leann Pilotti (24) on Road Five in the Stone

Mill Creek area for a child restraint violation. A driver's check revealed Pilotti was driving with a suspended license and no registration. Pilotti was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked and No Registration. Pilotti was transported to the GCDF.

On October 27, 2016, the GCSO received a walk-in theft complaint at the Wewahitchka Sub-Station. Sgt. C. Dixon responded to the complaint. The complainant reported their tackle box had been stolen out of their boat approximately two weeks ago. The tackle box is described as an older Plano orange in color containing more than 200 lures and fishing tackle. Sgt. Dixon continues to investigate.

On October 27, 2016, Deputy C. Harvey recovered a stolen vehicle on State Road 71 in the Dalkeith area. The vehicle was abandoned and had been reported stolen by the Liberty County Sheriff's Office.

On October 27, 2016, the GCSO received a report of a possible burglary in the 400 block of Byrd Parker Drive in Wewahitchka. Deputy M. Peek responded to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed the complainants arrived at their residence and observed a newer Audi with an out of state license plate parked on the property. The complainants next observed their home surveillance cameras had been unplugged. As they entered the residence an unknown male ran out the back door and then observed their grandson run out the front door. The complainants did not find any property had been stolen. Deputy Peek continues to investigate. Charges are pending.

On Friday, October 28, 2016, the GCSO received a burglary complaint in the 100 block of Eagle Street in the Overstreet area. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed the residence had been burglarized. Tools and electronics were stolen during the burglary. This case has been assigned to the GCSO Criminal Investigations Division (CID).

On October 28, 2016, Deputy M. Layfield executed a transport order and transported Rodney Dewayne Johnson (39) from the Bay County Jail back to the GCDF. Gulf County held an active warrant for Violation of Probation.

On October 28, 2016, Deputy C. Smith conducted a traffic stop on a Saturn for an expired tag on State Road 71 in Wewahitchka. Through further

investigation Deputy Smith determined the passenger Sheena Helena Marie Meredith (30) had an active Out of County warrant for her arrest by the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office. Meredith was arrested and transported to the GCDF awaiting extradition.

On Saturday, October 29, 2016, Deputy D. Sanders conducted a traffic stop on a white Ford utility vehicle driven by Lilla Denise Dykes (23) on Highway 98 and Beacon Hill Park Road in the Beacon Hill area for unlawful speed. Through further investigation Dykes was arrested and charged with Reckless Driving with Alcohol. Dykes was transported to the GCDF.

On October 29, 2016, the GCSO received a burglary of a shed complaint in the 100 block of Grant Lane in the Honeyville area. Deputy G. Desrosier responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported a Husqvarna backpack leaf blower, a white Yeti Tundra cooler, 10 pounds of copper wire and a child's bicycle were stolen out of their shed. This case has been assigned to the GCSO Criminal Investigations Division (CID).

On October 29, 2016, the GCSO received a domestic disturbance complaint in the 400 block of Ponderosa Pines Drive in the Jones Homestead area. Deputy A. White responded to the disturbance and conducted an investigation. The investigation revealed William Charles Quaranta (44) committed battery against his paramour. Deputy White observed physical injuries that substantiated the allegations. Quaranta was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery. Quaranta was transported to the GCDF.

On Sunday, October 30, 2016, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 7100 block of Americus Avenue in St. Joe Beach. Deputy G. Desrosier responded to the complaint. The complainant reported an electric Red Bull cooler was stolen from outside their residence. Deputy Desrosier continues to investigate.

On October 30, 2016, Gulf Correctional Institution Annex (Gulf C.I. Annex) requested the GCSO assistance with a visitor bringing contraband onto prison grounds. Sgt. J. Murnan and Deputy M. Layfield responded to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed Rachel Elaine Griner (39) had concealed inside her vehicle four packages wrapped in electrical tape. During a search of the wrapped packages it was discovered Griner was in possession of 82 grams of K-2/Spice (Synthetic Marijuana). Griner was arrested and

charged with Introduction of Contraband into a Correctional Facility and Possession of New Legend Drug. Griner was transported to the GCDF.

On October 30, 2016, Deputy D. Sanders arrested Stephen Lee Stanley (23) in the 800 block of Brian Setterich Road for a Failure to Appear warrant out of Bay County. Stanley was transported to the GCDF.

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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