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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

JANUARY 23, 2017 - JANUARY 29, 2017

On Monday January 23, 2017, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) received a credit card fraud complaint in the 100 block of Nichols Road in the Honeyville area. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported their credit card was missing and two unauthorized charges had been made. Deputy Manley continues to investigate.

On January 23, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 300 block of County Road 381 in the Dalkeith area. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported a welder and several miscellaneous tools had been stolen from their yard. Deputy Manley continues to investigate.

On January 23, Joel Jeremiah Taylor (30) surrendered himself at the GCSO for a Non-Support arrest warrant. Deputy C. Harvey arrested Taylor and delivered him to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On January 23, Deputy C. Harvey served Bobbi Jo Kathleen Duke (26) with a Violation of Probation arrest warrant at the GCDF.

On Tuesday, January 24, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams arrested Austin Richard Hysmith (31) in the 1000 block of Tupelo Street in Wewahitchka for a Violation of Probation arrest warrant. Hysmith was transported to the GCDF.

On January 24, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on a green Toyota driven by Kelly Christine Cruzmejia (29) on 3rd Street in Wewahitchka for observing a rear door to the vehicle open while the vehicle was in motion. Deputy B. Smith arrived on scene as a backup unit. Deputy Smith deployed K-9 Brix and conducted an open air sniff of the exterior of the vehicle for the presence of illegal drugs. K-9 Brix gave a positive alert for the presence of illegal drugs. The investigators then conducted a probable cause search of the vehicle and discovered methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia inside a

backpack belonging to Cruzmejia. Cruzmejia was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Cruzmejia was transported to the GCDF.

On Thursday, January 26, 2017, Deputy D. Sanders executed a transport order and transported William Paul Massey (39) from the Bay County Jail to the GCDF. Gulf County held a Violation of Probation arrest on Massey.

On Friday, January 27, the GCSO received a walk-in theft complaint at the Wewahitchka Sub-Station. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported a tool box was missing from his work vehicle after allowing an individual to use it. Deputy Manley continues to investigate.

On January 27, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 100 block of Ridge Road in the Honeyville area. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported two shotguns and miscellaneous tools were missing their residence over a several month time period. Deputy Manley continues to investigate.

On January 27, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell conducted a traffic stop on a gold GMC truck driven by Blake Caldwell Lincoln (27) at the intersection of Pine Street & 2nd Street in Wewahitchka having knowledge Lincoln had an active warrant for his arrest. Lincoln was arrested for a Failure to Appear warrant and transported to the GCDF.

On January 27, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 200 block of Shorty Kemp Road in the Kemp Cemetery area. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported a deep water pump and water softening system had been stolen from their pump house. Deputy Manley continues to investigate.

On January 27, the GCSO received a report of a single vehicle traffic crash on Land Drive in the Land Landing's area. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the scene to conduct an investigation. The investigation revealed the driver David Arthur Broxson Sr. (73) was not injured in the crash and subsequently arrested for Driving under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs and Refusal to Submit to Approved Chemical Test. Broxson was transported to the GCDF.

On Saturday, January 28, Deputy B. Smith was patrolling in the 100 block of State Road 71 and observed Lillie Mae Davis (43) walking north. A records check revealed Davis was wanted by the GCSO for Violation of Probation. Davis was arrested and transported to the GCDF.

On January 28, Deputy C. Harvey conducted a traffic stop on black Ford on State Road 71 and Hoover Drive north of Wewahitchka for unlawful speed. During the traffic stop K-9 Deputy B. Smith arrived as back up unit. Deputy Smith deployed K-9 Brix and conducted

an open air sniff of the exterior of the vehicle for the presence of illegal drugs. K-9 Brix gave a positive alert for the presence of illegal drugs. A probable cause search was conducted and a bag was located on the front passenger side floor-board containing marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The passenger April Rebecca King (19) admitted to the deputies the marijuana and drug paraphernalia were hers. King was placed under arrest and charged with Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. King 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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