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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

AUGUST 14, 2017 – AUGUST 20, 2017

On Monday, August 14, 2017, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) received a walk-in domestic violence complaint at the GCSO Sub-Station in Wewahitchka. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported during an argument with her spouse, Roy Lee Carter Jr. (41), battered and choked her, restricting her ability to breathe. Deputy Baxley observed physical injuries to the complainant to substantiate the allegations. Carter was arrested at their home without incident and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility (GCDF).

On August 14, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 100 block of West Rogers Street in the Jones Homestead area. Deputy D. House responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported two gasoline cans containing a total of five gallons of gasoline had been stolen out their vehicle. Deputy House continues to investigate.

On August 14, Deputy G. Desrosier transported Jessie Nicole Patrick (27) from the Bay County Jail and delivered her to the GCDF. Patrick was wanted by the GCSO for Failure to Appear for a Driving While License Suspended or Revoked (DWLS/R) charge.

On Tuesday, August 15, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell were patrolling in the area of 2nd Street in Wewahitchka when they observed Ray Ellison Stripling Jr. (45) causing a disturbance in front of an office building. Stripling was in front of the business shouting vulgar profanity creating a disturbance. The investigators attempted to calm Stripling down verbally and gave verbal commands for him to stop shouting vulgar profanity. Stripling refused to do so and was told he was under arrest. Stripling continued to shout profanity at the investigators and verbally threatened them. Stripling then ran into the office building where employees were present and continued to shout profanity. Investigators were forced to use defensive tactic maneuvers to physically restrain Stripling to effect the arrest. Stripling was charged with Disorderly Conduct, Resisting an

Officer with Violence and Assault or Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer. Stripling was transported to the GCDF.

On Wednesday, August 16, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell arrested Taylor Michelle Green (29) in the 100 block of Fork Drive in the Overstreet area. Green was wanted by the GCSO for Violation of Probation. Green was transported to the GCDF.

On August 16, the GCSO received an uttering forged instrument complaint in the 100 block of East River Road in Wewahitchka. Deputy P. Young responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported several checks had been stolen from a business checkbook and uttered. Deputy Young continues to investigate and charges are pending.

On August 16, Deputy C. Harvey executed a transport order and transported David Sean Roberts (45) from the Bay County Jail and delivered him to Gulf County for a court appearance.

On August 16, the GCSO received a theft complaint in the 4900 block of Cape San Blas Road in the Cape San Blas area. Deputy M. Manley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported their iPhone was stolen during a transaction with a customer. After reviewing the businesses video surveillance, Robert Lee Grogan (34), was developed as a suspect. During the course of the investigation Deputy Manley communicated via telephone with Grogan who stated, "He would give the phone back but did not want to be arrested". Grogan further told Deputy Manley he was wanted for other crimes. The investigation continued with the assistance of Investigator L. Dickey, Sgt. C. Dixon, Deputy C. Harvey and PSJPD Officers attempting to locate Grogan who was believed to still be in the Cape San Blas area. A short time later Deputy Manley located a vehicle driven by Grogan at the intersection of Highway 98 and C-30 in Port Saint Joe. Deputy Manley conducted a traffic stop and arrested Grogan without incident. A records check revealed Grogan was driving on a suspended license and was wanted by Bay County. Grogan was charged with Grand Theft, Habitual Traffic Offender and Out of County Warrants. Grogan was transported to the GCDF.

On August 16, the GCSO received an illegal dumping complaint in the area of Conway Drive and Sunshine Road in the Overstreet area. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported cut trees had been dumped in the area blocking road access. Deputy Baxley continues to investigate.

On August 16, K-9 Deputy M. Peek arrested Shawn Marie O'Bryan (29) in the 300 block of County 381 in the Dalkeith area. O'Bryan was wanted by the GCSO for Violation of Probation. O'Bryan was transported to the GCDF.

On August 16, the GCSO received a vehicle theft complaint in the 200 block of Whiting Street in the Highland View area. Deputy P. Baxley responded to the complaint to conduct

an investigation. The complainant reported their grand-daughter, Savannah Jane Aubry (20), had stolen their vehicle and absconded to Bay County. Through further investigation Deputy Baxley learned Aubry had filed a stolen vehicle report with Panama City Police Department (PCPD) reporting the same vehicle as stolen. Deputy Baxley has applied for arrest warrant charging Aubry with Grand Theft.

On Thursday, August 17, Deputy M. Manley observed a black van illegal parked partially on the sidewalk and partially on the roadway in the area of West River Road & Hill Circle in Wewahitchka. Deputy Manley made contact with the driver, James Edward Rogers (61), a Gulf County registered sex-offender. Rogers was given a verbal warning for illegal parking and released at the scene. Through further investigation it was discovered Rogers had not registered the black van as part of his mandatory re-registration requirements under Florida State Statute 943.0435. Deputy Manley continues to investigate and charges are pending.

On August 17, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell arrested Josiah Curtis Quaranta (23) in the 400 block of Central Avenue in Wewahitchka. Quaranta was wanted by the GCSO for Possession of Less than 20 grams of Marijuana and Felon in Possession of Ammunition. Quaranta was transported to the GCDF.

On August 17, the GCSO received a theft of medication complaint in the 300 block of Jeffery Drive in Port Saint Joe. K-9 Deputy M. Peek responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported children's medicine was missing from their apartment. K-9 Deputy Peek continues to investigate.

On Saturday, August 19, the GCSO received a commercial burglary complaint in the 1200 block of Highway 22 in Wewahitchka. Deputy D. House responded to the complaint to conduct an investigation. The complainant reported their storage shed had been burglarized. During the burglary a 2005 Titan 4x4 truck suspension, a Husqvarna 128LD weed eater, a Shark vacuum, crystal punch bowl and a Dewalt 18V cordless drill with two batteries were stolen. This case has been assigned to the GCSO Criminal Investigation Division (CID).

On August 19, Deputy D. Sanders arrested James Richard Haney (41) in the 4600 block of County Road 386. Haney was wanted by the GCSO for Domestic Battery. The arrest was the result of a domestic violence investigation conducted by Deputy M. Manley on August 13, 2017. Haney 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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