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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

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On Monday, February 19th, Deputy M. Peek was dispatched to the Dollar General located in St. Joe Beach to investigate a report of a theft. According to the manager, video surveillance had captured footage of a subject stealing a fishing rod and reel from the store. Deputy Peek, who had a good clothing description, located the suspect in the 7000 block of Americus Avenue. Michael Rashawn Gough (41) was arrested for retail theft. He was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Tuesday, February 20th, Jessica Nicole Brock (35) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility for a Violation of Probation warrant. Brock was on probation for Possession of a Controlled Substance. Brock was also arrested for Failure to Appear in court on charges of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Wednesday, February 21st, Deputy G. Desrosier traveled to the Bay County Jail to arrest Tatiana Nicole Davis (21) and Travis Irey Whitfield (31) on Gulf County warrants. Davis was wanted for Grand Theft, Dealing in Stolen Property and Criminal Mischief. Whitfield was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charges of Sale of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon. Both subjects were transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility to be booked.

On Thursday, February 22nd, Investigator S. Ferrell and K-9 Deputy M. Peek were patrolling the area of CR 381 and Burgess Creek Road when they observed a black Ford truck being driven on the roadway without a registration tag. Deputies attempted to stop the truck, but the driver increased its speed in an effort to elude being stopped. The truck eventually stopped, and the driver exited the vehicle and ran into a nearby wooded area. Deputies pursued the subject and located him hiding in the woods. The man was identified as Phillip Eugene Allen (31). Deputies learned that Allen had a suspended driver's license. He was arrested and charged with DWLSR (Driving While License Suspended or Revoked) and Resisting Law Enforcement without Violence.

On Thursday, February 22nd, Deputy A. White was dispatched to the 300 block of Duval Street to answer a report of narcotics being found inside of a house. The complainant reported she found drugs in her 8-year-old child's bed. Deputy White retrieved a plastic baggie containing a substance that tested positive for methamphetamine. The Florida Department of Children and Family Services (DCF) was notified of the event and will be investigating the safety of the home. The drugs recovered by Deputy White will be sent for lab analysis.

On Friday, February 23rd, Deputy L. Greenwood was dispatched to the 200 block of S. Hwy 71, in Wewahitchka, in reference to a trespassing. Deputy Greenwood learned that Harold Wade Small (66) was living a storage room that is connected to a vacant commercial building. Representatives of the owner of the building asked Small to leave the property, but Small refused. Small was placed under arrest and charged with Trespass of an Unoccupied Structure and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Friday, February 23rd, Investigator P. Baxley responded to a report of a "bomb threat" at the Wewahitchka Elementary School. Inv. Baxley learned that a 12-year-old student had allegedly made statements to fellow students that he was going to "bomb the school." Corroborating statements from witnesses led Inv. Baxley to believe that the suspect did make the alleged statements. The suspect student was arrested and charged with threatening to use a weapon of mass destruction against the Wewahitchka Elementary School. The suspect was transported to the Juvenile Detention Facility in Bay County.

On Saturday, February 24th, Deputy P. Young went to the 300 block of 16th Street in Port St. Joe, to execute an arrest warrant on Paul Lee Potts (51). Potts was wanted for Violation of a Domestic Violence Injunction. Potts was located and placed under arrest for the warrant.

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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