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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

APRIL 2, 2018 – APRIL 8, 2018

On Monday, April 2nd, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 near E. Church Street in Wewahitchka. During the course of the traffic stop, investigators developed probable cause to search the vehicle. The search revealed marijuana, a smoking pipe and a synthetic form of marijuana. The vehicle was occupied by Chance Devon Chester Lewis (21) and Sydney J. Sims (18). Lewis was placed under arrest and charged with Possession of a New Legend Drug. Sims was also arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Wednesday, April 4th, a report was taken by the GCSO of a theft that had occurred on Oliver Drive in Wewahitchka. The victim, who reported the theft over the phone out of town, stated that someone had stolen his John Deere lawn mower from his yard, as well as a Murray push mower, and a Poulan chain saw.

On Thursday, April 5th, Deputy D. House was dispatched to the 2000 block of Lake Grove Road in reference to a theft. The victim reported that an off-shore fishing rod and reel was stolen from his residence. The stolen reel was described as a Tanacom Bull 1000 and the rod was a Shimano Bent Butt. Anyone with information about the theft is encouraged to contact the Gulf County Sheriff's Office.

On Thursday, April 5th, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams were on Mossie Road in Wewahitchka attempting to locate Zeikel Paul Pitts (38) and arrest him on a warrant for failing to appear in court on the charge of Felony DWLSR. Pitts was found and apprehended. He was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility where he is being held without bond.

On Thursday, April 5th, Deputy C. Harvey was assigned to take a report of a stolen firearm that occurred in February of 2018. It was reported that a Kel-Tec .22 Magnum pistol was stolen from a residence in the 7000 block of Doc Whitfield Road. The victim stated that he could not remember where the gun was when it was stolen, but it was either in his house, vehicle or in his golf cart.

On Thursday, April 6th, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams went to a residence in the 700 block of Jones Homestead Road to execute a writ of bodily attachment on Shawna Marie Coalley (37). Coalley was wanted out of Bay County for failing to pay child support. Coalley was arrested and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Friday, April 7th, Tanyaneka Zacceusha Pittman (23) and Darrell W. Cowles (44) were delivered to the Gulf County Detention Facility by U.S. Prisoner Transport after being apprehended on Gulf County warrants in outside jurisdictions. Pittman was wanted by the Port St. Joe Police Department for Burglary and Cowles was wanted on a writ of bodily attachment for failing to pay child support.

On Friday, April 7th, Deputy C. Harvey was assigned to investigate a report of a vehicle burglary in the 300 block of South Diana Street in Stonemill Creek. It was reported that someone had broken into a vehicle and stole a cell phone and \$50.00 in cash. It is not certain whether the vehicle was left unlocked or not but there was no evidence supporting a forced entry into the vehicle.

On Saturday, April 7th, Deputy M. Peek was dispatched to the 200 block of Marina Drive in reference to a physical disturbance. Deputy Peek arrived on scene and learned that Clinton Thomas McCahill (49) had entered into another person's apartment and engaged in a physical altercation with that person. McCahill, who was intoxicated, was still on scene as deputies arrived. He was placed under arrest and charged with Burglary and Battery.

On Sunday, April 8th, Deputy M. Peek conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 22, near Kemp Cemetery Road. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Fredrick L. Crutchfield, III (27). During the course of the traffic stop, Deputy Peek learned that the vehicle Crutchfield was driving had a registration plate that did not belong on it. Crutchfield was placed under arrest and charged with Attaching Registration Tag Not Assigned. While affecting the arrest, Deputy Peek found that Crutchfield was in possession of marijuana and a smoking pipe.

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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