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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

MAY 21, 2018 – MAY 27, 2018

On Monday, May 21st, Investigators P. Williams and S. Ferrell were in the area of Hwy 71 and CR 381 when they noticed a subject riding a bicycle near Taunton Truss. Later they saw the same subject on his bicycle again, carrying a box. Investigators stopped the man and identified him as Reece Glendon Forehand (25). They investigated Forehand's recent activities and discovered that he had went into the Taunton Truss building and stole electronic equipment from the offices. Forehand was placed under arrest and charged with Burglary of an Unoccupied Dwelling and Grand Theft.

On Monday, May 21st, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams arrested Jamie Michael Langford (42) on Sunset Drive, Wewahitchka, on a warrant for failing to appear in court on the charge of Driving While License Suspended or Revoked.

On Monday, May 21st, Investigators S. Ferrell and P. Williams arrested Novie Darrie Tillerson (47) on Bass Street in Howard Creek. Tillerson was wanted in Bay County on a felony warrant for failing to return rental property.

On Tuesday, May 22nd, deputies responded to a report of a domestic dispute involving gunfire in the 300 block of Lister Drive in Wewahitchka. The dispute was between Anthony Ellis Fleming (56) and Jeffrey Glenn Semmes (31). During the conflict Fleming had locked himself in his bedroom. Semmes pursued Fleming and forced his door open with the butt of a .22 rifle. When Fleming saw Semmes was armed he picked up a shotgun and fired it toward the door, which had closed after being forced open. Semmes and an elderly female family member were standing in the vicinity of where Fleming shot the firearm. She received some minor injuries during the incident and was having problems breathing so she was transported to the hospital to be treated. Semmes exited the residence however Fleming remained inside, barricaded in his bedroom. The Gulf County Sheriff's Office SWAT team was deployed and successfully negotiated with Fleming to exit the residence unarmed. Fleming was placed under arrest and was charged with Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon and Semmes was charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon.

On Tuesday, May 22nd, Sgt. D. Sanders located Michael Sterling Teston (40) at the Express Lane in Wewahitchka, knowing that he had a warrant for his arrest. Teston was wanted in Gadsden County for failing to appear in court. Teston was placed under arrest and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Wednesday, May 23rd, Deputy M. Peek was assigned to investigate the fraudulent use of a check. The victim had produce a check from his checking account that was filled out and cashed by someone other than him. Deputy Peek and Sgt. Burkett investigated the report and were able identify a suspect. The suspect cashed the check in another jurisdiction so the investigation will be turned over to another agency for charges to be filed.

On Wednesday, May 23rd, Deputy M. Manley was patrolling in the area of Veterans Memorial Park in Beacon Hill when he observed a vehicle parked in the far corner of the park against the trees. Deputy Manley approached the vehicle and found it to be occupied by John Greg Hermsdorfer (49) and another subject. Deputy Manley conducted a wanted check on Hermsdorfer and discovered that he was wanted by the Port St. Joe Police Department on warrants for Burglary and Grand Theft. Hermsdorfer was placed under arrest and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility. Hermsdorfer was on probation so he was later violated and charged with Violation of Probation.

On Thursday, May 24th, Deputy G. Desrosier traveled to the Florida State Hospital in Chattahoochee to pick up Ashley Nicole Wright (32) on a transport order and bring her to Gulf County for court proceedings that morning. After her court appearance, Deputy Desrosier transported Wright back to the Florida State Hospital.

On Thursday, May 24th, Deputy V. Everett, was investigating a report of a domestic disturbance on Brannon Lane in Wewahitchka. No criminal charges stemmed from the incident but a wanted check of all the subjects involved revealed an active warrant out of Orange County, Florida. James William Cobb (36) was taken into custody and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility to await extradition to Orange County.

On Thursday, May 24th, Deputy M. Manley was assigned to investigate a burglary in the 5000 block of S. Hwy 71 in Wewahitchka. It was reported that someone had entered a vacant home stole eight (8) collector style dolls. Leads were developed to assist in identifying a suspect.

On Friday, May 25th, Bobbi Jo Kathleen Duke (27) and Amanda Lee Shipman (28) were arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility after being transported from the Bay County Jail by GCDF staff. Duke was charged with Violation of Probation on the original charges of Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and DWLSR. Shipman was also charged with Violation of Probation on the original charges of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and DWLSR.

On Friday, May 25th, Clyde Dillon McDaniel (20) turned himself in to the Gulf County Detention Facility to be arrested on an active Violation of Probation warrant. McDaniel was on probation for Trafficking in Stolen Property, Burglary, Grand Theft and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon.

On Friday, May 25th, Deputy S. House conducted a traffic stop in the 2000 block of CR 381 in Dalkeith. The driver was identified as Phillip Maxwell Fleming (27). When Deputy House made contact with Fleming, he immediately suspected that Fleming was under the influence of alcohol. Deputy House conducted field sobriety assessments to determine whether Fleming was too impaired to operate a motor vehicle. As a result of the assessments, Fleming performed poorly and was placed under arrest and charged with Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Fleming refused to submit a sample of his breath to determine his blood alcohol level.

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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