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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

JULY 15, 2019 – JULY 21, 2019

On Monday, July 15, Deputy G. Desrosier was dispatched the area of CR 386 and Road 50 in Overstreet in reference to an illegal dumping. Deputy Desrosier sifted through the trash pile and was able to identify the person responsible for dumping the trash. The victim chose to allow the suspect to clean up the trash in lieu of filing criminal charges.

On Monday, July 15, Deputy P. Young travelled to the Bay County Jail to pick up Kelli Lyn Abbott (49) who was being held on a Gulf County warrant for Grand Theft. Investigator J. Murnan brought the charge against Abbott as a result of an investigation that began on May 14, 2019. Abbott had accepted a construction job in Gulf County and accepted a deposit of \$15,000. Abbott failed to perform any work and failed to return any of the money. Abbott was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility to be booked.

On Monday, July 15, Sgt. P. Williams executed an arrest warrant on Desoto Street in St. Joe Beach by arresting Kimberly Ann Clarkson (36). Clarkson was wanted for violating conditions of a protection order, which she is a respondent to. Clarkson was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Monday, July 15, Sgt. P. Williams was patrolling E. Reid Street in Wewahitchka when he observed Johnny Charles Underwood (59) in the area. Underwood had a warrant for his arrest for Violation of Probation. Underwood was on probation for eight counts of Sale of Cocaine. Underwood was arrested and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Monday, July 15, Deputy D. Goodman executed an arrest warrant at the Gulf County Detention Facility by arresting Courtney Nicole Ward (29). Ward was wanted for failing to appear in court on a trespassing charge.

On Monday, July 15, Deputy S. Sheline responded to a littering complaint on Pleasant Rest Cemetery Road. Deputy Sheline sifted through the trash and identified who was responsible. That person was given the opportunity to clean up the trash, which they did.

On Tuesday, July 16, Arthur Ernest Marlin Lanier (25) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Lanier is on probation for Battery and was already incarcerated on unrelated charges.

On Tuesday, July 16, Paul Gregory Francis (72) was arrested as a result of a traffic stop on Hwy 22 by Deputy P. Young and Deputy S. Alday. Francis was found to be in possession of methamphetamine. He was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility and booking accordingly.

On Tuesday, July 16, John Andrew Holton (39) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility for failing to appear in court on a DWLS/R charge.

On Wednesday, July 17, Investigators S. Ferrell and C. Harvey stopped a vehicle on Gone Fishing Street in Wewahitchka for a traffic violation. The driver of the vehicle was identified as John Dimetris Skipper (49). Skipper did not have a valid driver's license and had an active warrant for his arrest. Skipper was wanted for failing to appear in court on charges of DWLS/R and Possession of a Controlled Substance. Skipper was taken into custody. A passenger in the vehicle was identified as Michael John Hampton (58). Hampton initially lied about his identity to conceal the fact that he was wanted on a warrant out of Bay County. Hampton was placed under arrest and during a search of Hampton, investigators found two small baggies of methamphetamine, a glass pipe and a torch lighter. A search of the vehicle revealed more drug paraphernalia and a personal amount of methamphetamine. Skipper was charged with DWLS/R, Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Hampton was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Providing False Information to Law Enforcement.

On Wednesday, July 17, Arthur Ernest Marlin Lanier (25) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Lanier was on probation for Battery.

On Thursday, July 18, John Wesley Powell (30) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility on a Capias for failing to appear in court on the charge of DUI (Refusal) with Property Damage.

On Friday, July 19, Deputy M. Peek and Deputy S. Alday executed an arrest warrant on Linton Road by arresting Raegan Denae Davis (18). Davis was wanted for two counts of Aggravated Battery. The charges derived from two separate investigation; one by Deputy V. Everett that began on July 9, 2019, and the other by Deputy S. Sheline on June 23, 2019. Both investigations involved the same victim.

On Saturday, July 20, Dwight Monroe Morgan (44) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility on a Writ of Bodily Attachment for failing to pay child support.

On Saturday, July 20, Zeikel Paul Pitts (40) was arrested at the Gulf County Detention Facility on a Capias for failing to appear in court on the following charges: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, No Vehicle Registration and DWLS/R (x2).

On Saturday, July 20, Deputy S. Sheline conducted a traffic stop on Creamer Road in Wewahitchka. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Gencia Teresa Myers (56). Deputy Sheline learned that Myers' driver's license was cancelled so Myers was placed under arrest. During a search of Myers' clothing Deputy Sheline found a small amount of methamphetamine. Myers was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and DWLS/R.

On Sunday, July 21, Deputy D. Goodman served an arrest warrant on Terrance Breon King (30) at the Gulf County Detention Facility. King was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charges of Sale of Cocaine (x2).

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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