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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 – SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

On Monday, September 7, Deputy S. Alday responded to a report of a reckless driver operating a van on Hwy 71 in Wewahitchka. He located the van and conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of Reid Avenue. While speaking with the driver, Deputy Alday suspected that he may be impaired. The driver, identified as David Michael Broderick (29), was asked to perform field sobriety assessments which he performed poorly. Broderick was placed under arrest and charged with DUI. Broderick admitted to consuming a large dose of Dextromethorphan, which impaired his abilities to operate a motor vehicle.

On Monday, September 7, Deputy B. McCorvey conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of West Church Street and West River Road. During the course of the traffic stop, Deputy Alday was granted consent to search the vehicle for contraband. A vehicle search revealed a glass smoking device containing methamphetamine. The driver, Michael Bryan McDaniel (39), was placed under arrest and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. When McDaniel entered the Gulf County Detention Facility, corrections officers found McDaniel to be concealing another glass pipe containing methamphetamine. McDaniel was additionally charged with Introduction of Contraband into a Correctional Facility.

On Monday, September 7, Deputy B. McCorvey stopped a vehicle for speeding on CR 386 near 15th Street. Terry Wayne Kelly Jr. (52) was identified as the driver and it was learned that Kelly's driver's license was suspended. Kelly had three prior convictions for driving with a suspended driver's license. Kelly was placed under arrest and charged with Felony DWLS/R.

On Tuesday, September 8, Jill Marie Collins (49) was arrested at the Gulf County Court House on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Collins was on probation for Trafficking Methamphetamine, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of a Prescription Drug without a Prescription.

On Tuesday, September 8, Deputy B. McCorvey and Sgt. S. Ferrell responded to a report of gunshots being heard in the area of Myers Road in Five Acre Farms. When deputies arrived, they learned that Robert Frank Beatty (62) had fired warning shots at another subject during a conflict. Beatty was attempting to get the victim to leave the property but the victim was authorized to be there by another resident. Beatty was placed under arrest and charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Public Discharge of a Firearm.

On Tuesday, September 8, GCSO Deputies responded to a report of a sexual battery on a minor child that occurred on Farm Road in Wewahitchka. It was reported that John Wesley Green (56) was having sexual relations with a minor under 16 years old. GCSO criminal investigators responded and executed a search warrant at Green's residence. The investigation resulted Green being arrested and charged with two counts of Lewd and Lascivious Battery on a victim between 12 and 16 years old.

On Wednesday, September 9, at approximately 12:19 AM, Sgt. S. Ferrell stopped to investigate a vehicle that was parked at Lake Alice Park. He found that the vehicle was occupied by James Lamar Robinson (33). While conversing with Robinson he revealed that Robinson had a syringe in his pocket containing methamphetamine. Robinson was taken into custody and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Wednesday, September 9, Sgt. S. Ferrell and Deputy B. McCorvey executed an arrest warrant in the 4000 block of CR 381 by arresting James Austin Norris. Norris was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charges of Possession of Methamphetamine and Grand Theft.

On Friday, September 11, Deputy B. McCorvey conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 98 near the intersection of Butler Bay Road. Deputy McCorvey identified a passenger in the vehicle as Marci Ellen Giffen (41) and knew that Giffen had a warrant for her arrest for Violation of Probation. Giffen was on probation for Possession of Methamphetamine. After taking Giffen into custody, Deputy McCorvey found that Giffen was in possession of a glass pipe containing methamphetamine. Giffen was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Friday, September 11, Deputy S. Alday conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 near the intersection of Stone Mill Creek Road. When the vehicle came to a stop, Deputy Alday noticed that the driver and front seat passenger were switching seats. When he approached the vehicle, he saw that the passenger, who had switched to the driver seat, still had his legs draped over the center console. The driver who had switched to the passenger seat was identified as Morique Lacheryl Kee (46). It was revealed that Kee had a suspended driver license and the vehicle she was driving was not registered. However, it was displaying a registration plate that did not belong on the vehicle. Kee was placed

under arrest and charged with DWLS/R, Operating an Unregistered Vehicle and Attaching Tag Not Assigned.

On Friday, September 11, Deputy B. McCorvey executed an arrest warrant on Charles Avenue by arresting James Richmond Ard Jr. (37). Ard was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charges of Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Marijuana.

On Sunday, December 13, Deputy S. Alday conducted a traffic stop on East Reid Avenue in Wewahitchka. The driver of the vehicle, Vertis Ray Hysmith (37), was operating the vehicle with cancelled driver's license and is considered a habitual traffic offender. Hysmith was placed under arrest and charged with DWLS/R (Felony).

On Sunday, September 13, Sgt. S. Ferrell responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle the Gulf Correctional Forestry Camp on Doc Whitfield Road. Sgt. Ferrell located the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. During the course of the traffic stop Sgt. Ferrell revealed that the driver, Marcus Alan Henley (32), was in possession of methamphetamine. Henley was placed under arrest and charged accordingly.

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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