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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

OCTOBER 19, 2020 – OCTOBER 25, 2020

On Monday, October 19, Sgt. S. Ferrell executed an Emergency Motion for Child Pick-Up on Nathan Street in Wewahitchka. During the course of executing that order, Dorothy Wylene Lauderdale (52) was arrested for obstructing a law enforcement officer.

On Tuesday, October 20, Deputy B. McCorvey executed an arrest warrant on Garrison Avenue by arresting James Carlton Bateman (48). Bateman was wanted for failing to appear in court on a criminal offense for driving with a suspended driver's license. While taking Bateman into custody, Deputy McCorvey observed Bateman trying to conceal a small amount of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Bateman was also charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Tampering with Evidence.

On Tuesday, October 20, Deputy B. McCorvey arrested Sydney Joyce Sims (21) at the Dixie Dandy in Wewahitchka. Sims was wanted on a Calhoun County warrant for Sale of Methamphetamine.

On Tuesday, October 20, Deputy B. McCorvey executed an arrest warrant on Parker Farm Road in Wewahitchka by arresting Sondra Jane Parker (57). Parker was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charge of Grand Theft.

On Thursday, October 22, Randall Kevin Green (48) turned himself in at the Gulf County Detention Facility to be booked on a warrant for Battery. Green's arrest is the result of an incident that occurred on October 15, 2020, on Crestwood Lane in Wewahitchka.

On Thursday, October 22, Deputy D. Goodman executed an arrest warrant in the 8000 block of Hwy 98 by arresting Ervin Coachman Jr. (50). Coachman was wanted on a warrant issued by the Port St. Joe Police Department for Battery.

On Friday, October 23, Investigator John Murnan obtained an arrest warrant for Terry Lee Brock (57), charging him with Sexual Battery on victim under 12 years old. Brock was

arrested on Woodpark Drive in Wewahitchka and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Saturday, October 24, Deputy B. McCorvey arrested Michael Allen Hammond (40) at a residence on McGlon Drive in Wewahitchka. Hammond was wanted on a capias for failing to appear in court on charges for Possession of a Controlled Substance, Tampering with Evidence and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Sunday, October 25, Deputy B. McCorvey observed two individuals riding four-wheelers on Brian Setterich Road in Wewahitchka. When Deputy McCorvey attempted to stop the vehicles, they both accelerated and fled into Buckhorn Cemetery. Deputy McCorvey caught one of the subjects, who was identified as Ben James Paulk Jr. (31). The other suspect was identified as Curt Larson Johnson (37). Johnson's four-wheeler was found abandoned in the woods on the north edge of the cemetery but Johnson was unable to be located. Paulk was arrested and charged with fleeing and eluding. Warrants for Johnson's arrest will be obtained for Fleeing and Eluding and DWLS/R (Felony). Johnson was under supervision a probation officer and was equipped with an ankle monitor. It was revealed that Johnson cut the monitor off of his ankle soon after he eluded law enforcement. Both four-wheelers were impounded.

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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