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GCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

NOVEMBER 2, 2020 – NOVEMBER 15, 2020

On Monday, November 2, Deputy B. McCorvey responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of West Arm Drive. Deputy McCorvey located the vehicle at the intersection of Stonemill Creek Road and Hwy 71 and discovered that it was occupied by Vicki W. Trickey (60). Knowing that Trickey had an active warrant for her arrest for failing to appear in court, he stopped the vehicle and placed her under arrest. During a vehicle inventory in preparation for impound, Deputy McCorvey found approximately 7.3 grams of "Black Tar" heroin in the center console. Trickey was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility where corrections officers discovered she was concealing methamphetamine on her person. In addition to the warrant, Trickey was charged with Trafficking Heroin, Possession of Methamphetamine, Introduction of Contraband into a County Correctional Facility and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Monday, November 2, Deputy B. McCorvey executed an arrest warrant on Dolphin Street by arresting Steven Michael Timbs (41). Timbs was wanted on a Bay County warrant for Felony Battery.

On Tuesday, November 3, Sgt. J. Brock began investigating allegations that Lesi Dee Green (58) was tampering with a victim on behalf of her brother, John Wesley Green, who is a defendant on two counts of Lewd and Lascivious Battery on a victim 12 to 16 years old. Lesi Green was attempting to convince the victim to dismiss the charges against John so she was arrested and charged with Tampering with a Victim. John Green was also arrested on a warrant for violating conditions of his pre-trial release after it was revealed that he established contact with the victim.

On Tuesday, November 3, Crystal Darleen Bailey (30) turned herself in at the Gulf County Detention Facility to be arrested on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Bailey was on probation for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Thursday, November 5, the GCSO along with members of the North Star Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force executed a search warrant at a residence on Fork Drive in Wewahitchka. The search warrant resulted in the arrest of Paul Gregory Francis (74) and Douglas James Whittington (56). Francis was charged with Trafficking Methamphetamine, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of New Legend Drugs, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Keeping a Structure for Drug Activity. Whittington was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Thursday, November 5, Brannon Lee Gray (34) turned himself in at the Gulf County Detention Facility to be arrested on a warrant for Violation of Probation on the original charge of Grand Theft.

On Friday, November 6, Sgt. S. Ferrell conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 near the intersection of Gary Rowell Road. During a driver's license check on the driver, who was identified as Carole Morrell Turner (50), Sgt. Ferrell discovered that Turner had a suspended driver's license. Turner was placed under arrest and charged with Felony DWLS/R. Turner has five previous DWLS/R convictions.

On Friday, November 6, Deputy S. Sheline was dispatched to a residence on Bass Street in Howard Creek to investigate a report of a physical disturbance. Aaron Barjames Touchet (44) struck another man in the face during an argument, and when the victim attempted to call law enforcement Touchet took the phone from the victim and removed the battery. The victim was able to make the call for help when Touchet directed his attention to another person involved in the conflict. Touchet was placed under arrest and charged with Battery on a person 65 years of age or older and Tampering with a Victim.

On Sunday, November 8, Sgt. S. Ferrell conducted a traffic stop in the 1700 block of CR 381. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Matthew Ross Green (25), and it was determined that Green's driver's license was suspended. Green was placed under arrest for DWLS/R and a vehicle inventory was performed in preparation for impound. During the inventory Sgt. Ferrell located a clear plastic baggie containing methamphetamine so Green was additionally charged with Possession of Methamphetamine.

On Monday, November 9, Joseph Lawson Riffle turned himself in at the Gulf County Sheriff's Office to be arrested on a Bay County warrant. Riffle was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Monday, November 9, Sgt. P. Williams and Deputy P. Young responded to a report of a disturbance on Nathan Street. Dorothy Wylene Lauderdale-Hysinger (52) was accused of using a "stun gun" and applying it to the neck of another person. Deputies determined that the use of the weapon on another person was not warranted and placed Lauderdale-Hysinger under arrest for Battery. Lauderdale-Hysinger resisted being taken into custody so, she was additionally charged with Resisting Arrest without Violence.

On Monday, November 9, Deputy J. Page responded to a disturbance involving a weapon at a residence in the 6000 block of Cape San Blas Road. When deputies arrived, they contacted a man named Brett Lewis Swigert (61). They found that Swigert was intoxicated and armed with .357 Magnum revolver. The altercation began when Swigert confronted two fishermen who were fishing on the public beach behind the house he was renting. Swigert did not want the men fishing behind the house and accused them of poaching fish. Swigert, while armed with the revolver, threatened to “blow them away” if they did not leave. Swigert was placed under arrest and charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Disorderly Intoxication.

On Tuesday, November 10, Investigator C. Harvey executed an arrest warrant on 2nd Street in Wewahitchka by arresting Allan Herbert Nelson (59). Nelson was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charge of Sale of Methamphetamine.

On Wednesday, November 11, Sgt. S. Ferrell and Deputy B. McCorvey executed an arrest warrant in the 3000 block of N. Hwy 71 by arresting Curt Larson Johnson (37). Johnson was wanted for Violation of Probation on the original charges of Possession of Methamphetamine and DWLS/R (Felony). While taking Johnson into custody, deputies found a small baggie of methamphetamine in Johnson’s pocket, so he was additionally charged with Possession of Methamphetamine. While inside the residence, deputies observed a baggie of methamphetamine and a glass smoking pipe in plain view. A search warrant for the residence was obtained by GCSO narcotics investigators. Dana Marie Clark (43) was arrested as a result of the search warrant after investigators found a trafficking weight of methamphetamine, MDMA (methylenedioxymethamphetamine, also known as Ecstasy), more than 20 grams of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Along with the narcotics violations, Clark was charged with Tampering with Evidence.

On Thursday, November 12, Cpl. J. Newsome arrested Jennifer Gayle Churchwell (46) at the Gulf County Courthouse on a warrant for Trespassing in an Occupied Structure. The warrant stemmed from an incident reported to the GCSO on May 30, 2020. On that day, Deputy J. Page responded to a disturbance on Dolphin Street that involved Churchwell being inside a residence that she was previously trespassed from.

On Friday, November 13, Deputy J. Williams responded to a report of a verbal disturbance on Jones Homestead Road. During the investigation into the disturbance, Deputy J. Williams revealed that one of the parties involved was wanted on a Gulf County warrant. Janet Nicole Barefoot (32) was arrested on the warrant which was for failing to appear in court on a charge for Hiring with Intent to Defraud.

On Friday, November 13, Sgt. P. Williams responded to a report of a burglary on Blossom Hill Road in Howard Creek. The victims reported to law enforcement that Charles G. Dean broke into their camper and stole items such as power tools, hand tools, vehicle parts, fishing equipment, a rifle, clothing, and food. Dean was even accused of stealing the victim’s dog and dog food. Sgt. Williams went to Dean’s residence to investigate the

allegations, but Dean would not come to the door. Sgt. Williams observed the victim's dog inside the residence as well the stolen goods reported by the victims. Dean was confirmed to be inside with the dog and refused to cooperate with the investigation. Sgt. Williams and other GCSO Deputies saw Dean through a window crawling on the floor inside in an effort to remain unseen. He was crawling toward a gun that they could see in another area of the house. Dean is a convicted felon and has a history of violence toward law enforcement, so deputies made entry into the home and detained Dean. A search warrant for Dean's residence was obtained by the GCSO criminal investigations division and a search of the home resulted in the recovery of a vast majority of the victim's stolen goods, including the dog. Dean was placed under arrest and charged with Armed Burglary of a Dwelling, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon and Resisting Law Enforcement without Violence.

On Saturday, November 14, Deputy J. Page executed an arrest warrant on Burgess Creek Road by arresting Jeremy Ray Hall (26). Hall was wanted for failing to appear in court on charges for Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Saturday, November 14, Deputy J. Page executed an arrest warrant on Laurelwood Street by arresting Ronnie Dale Morgan (65). Morgan was wanted for failing to appear in court on the charge for Sale of Methamphetamine within 1000 feet of a Church.

On Saturday, November 14, Deputy J. Page stopped a vehicle for speeding on Hwy 71 near Robert's Cemetery Road. The driver was identified as Armando Francisco Munoz-Jimenez (25). Armando did not have a valid driver's license, so he was placed under arrest and charged with No Valid Driver's License.

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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