Police Report

Belleview Police Department

Arrests: None Reported

Incidents:

December 15, Petit Theft, a tag was removed from a vehicle and replaced with another wrong tag at 6548 SE 107th Street.

December 16, Ryan Clark was issued a criminal citation for DWLSR in the 5500 block of SE Hwy. 484. ****

December 16, A suspicious incident occurred when items were taken from a home of a deceased person at 4900 SE 102nd Place #76

December 18, an unknown suspect did commit Grand Theft by taking medicine at the location of 5035 SE Abshier Blvd. #5.

December 19, an unspecified amount of money was recovered and turned in to the police department, 10135 SE Hwy. 441.

December 20, Petit Theft & Criminal Mischief of More Than \$200 Less Than \$1,000 when suspects took a catalytic convertor & damaged property at 5448 SE Abshier Blvd.

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Hours of Operation

The Belleview Police Department office will be closing early on Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24th (8:00 AM-12:00 PM). The office will be closed on Christmas Day, Friday, December 25th.

Even though the office will be closed, our officers will still be working! Call 352-245-7044 for assistance or 911 in case of an emergency.

The Belleview Police Department would like to wish all of our citizens a very safe and Merry Christmas!

Ocala Police Department

DARE Program Recognition from MCSO Sheriff Billy Woods

Our very own Officer Mraz (pictured right) and Deputy Donna Blair (left) received a commendation award from Sheriff Billy Woods in honor of their outstanding work in the DARE program this year.

Officer Mraz and other officers were given the assignment to bring the DARE program into all the Elementary Public schools in Marion county after the Governor passed a law that all schools are to have drug, opioid and personal safety awareness education back in our schools. This had to be done it all grade levels from kindergarten to 5th grade and since Marion County has a joint SRO Unit with the Sheriffs office, a curriculum was needed. It had to be uniformed in teaching for both agencies for each School Resource Officer teaches in each grade level class. Plus they created the videos for the 12 DARE lessons to be taught for the on line 5th grade students due to the Covid pandemic.

Marion County Fire Rescue

Hernando Man Arrested After 4 Month Investigation of **Construction Site Burglaries**

On Friday December 18, 2020, Marion County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) Property Crimes detectives arrested Dusty Ritrovato (DOB: 09/13/1980) for twelve counts of Burglary to a Dwelling, four counts of Grand Theft of a Construction Site, six counts of Grand Theft, and eight counts of Dealing in Stolen Property.

On August 24, 2020, MCSO was contacted

by a construction superintendent from the On Top of the World community, in reference to a burglary to a construction site and a stolen dishwasher. Deputies and Property Crimes detectives began working to identify a suspect. Between August 24, 2020 and September 27, 2020, there were seven additional incidents reported in which a suspect burglarized a home under construction and stole newly installed refrigerators and/or dishwashers from inside. Detectives believed the incidents to all be related because of the similarity of crimes committed. Through the use of surveillance footage provided by On Top of the World, a search of gate logs from the days of the burglaries, the watchful eyes of the community, and the hard work by MCSO detectives Ritrovato was developed as a suspect.

Ritrovato was brought in for questioning and interviewed by Detective Spratlin. When questioned about the string of burglaries and thefts, he admitted to single-handedly committing them all. It was discovered that Ritrovato had provided names of people he previously worked for to gain entrance into On Top of the World. Ritrovato also advised he had sold all of the stolen appliances at yard sales and on the "Letgo" app.

Ritrovato was placed under arrest and transported to the Marion County Jail with a bond of \$123,000.00. ****

MCSO Weekly Rundown For December 11

Deputy Hannar responded to NE 162nd Street in reference to a theft. His investigation revealed that Darrel Roberts stole several items, including two shotguns, from the victim. When he was found and interviewed by Detective Sapp, Roberts also admitted to pawning and selling the items he stole. He was placed under arrest and taken to the Gold Star Hotel for theft and dealing in stolen property.

Deputy Ur responded to the Stage Stop Inn on E Silver Springs Boulevard in reference to a trespass. When he arrived, contact was made with the manager who stated Avril Toye had taken an electric scooter from Wal-Mart. When Deputy Ur spoke to the manager at Wal-Mart, it was confirmed that Toye had left the store with the







MICHAEL BRECKON WM DOB: 11/15/1978 - Felony VOP Warrant Grand Theft 300 To Less Than 20,000 Dollars X 3 Counts Dealing In Stolen Property Grand Theft 300 To Less Than X 2 Counts

WILLIE J. GRIMSLEY BM DOB: 5/12/1985 -Felony Bench Warrant FTA Pre-Trial Conference CT 1 Possession Of Cannabis More Than 20 Grams CT 2 Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia





From Left: Deputy Donna Blair, Sheriff Billy Woods and Officer Patricia Marz

scooter. Toye was arrested and escorted to the Marion County Jail.

It's time to ring the bell because we had several people fail to secure their vehicles last night. Please remember to lock your vehicles and secure your belongings.

Deputy Ferguson was called to the Citra Highlands subdivision in the 16,000 block of NE Jacksonville Road in reference to several vehicle burglaries. There were at least four unlocked vehicles at four different residences that were entered during the night. Various personal items were stolen, along with 2 firearms. It is possible that there are additional burglaries yet to be reported. Our Property Crimes detectives are currently investigating these incidents.

Credit/Debit Card scams are on the rise. **Check your accounts** daily to limit fraud

MCSO Emergency 911 MCSO non emergency 352-732-9111 Crimestoppers 1-800-423-TIPS for anonymous tips Crime Stoppers of Marion County at 368-STOP or 368-7867. Text tips to 274637

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