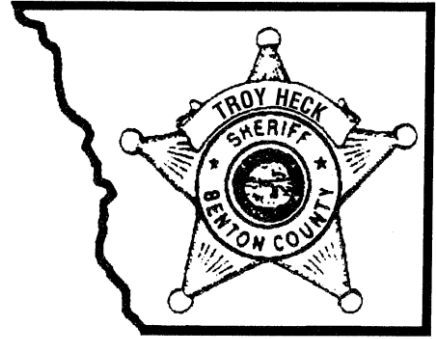


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Troy Heck, Sheriff
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PRESS RELEASE

DATE: 05-29-18

AUTHORITY OF SHERIFF TROY HECK

On 05-26-18 the Benton County Sheriff's Office arrested two men and recovered a stolen pistol following a traffic stop.

On 05-26-18 at about 2:00 am, a Benton County Deputy was on routine patrol in the City of Foley when he observed a vehicle driving very slowly, weaving across the roadway, and committing other traffic violations. The deputy stopped the vehicle and identified the driver as Nathaniel Paul Golterman (age 23 of Foley) and the passenger as Derian Ray Gordon (age 18 of St. Cloud). Upon making contact with these individuals, the deputy noted the odor of marijuana and alcohol coming from inside the vehicle. Both individuals admitted to consuming alcoholic beverages. The deputy discovered that Golterman's driver's license was not valid and Golterman admitted that there was no insurance on the vehicle. The deputy discovered the remains of a marijuana cigarette in the ash tray of the vehicle. The deputy had both individuals step out of the car and was assisted at the scene by another Benton County Deputy and a Foley Police Officer. After stepping out of the vehicle, Gordon told deputies that he was in possession of a pistol. Gordon told deputies that the pistol was in his pants leg and deputies did confirm a bulge in the leg of his pants that appeared consistent with a pistol. Deputies were able to remove the pistol from Gordon's pants and found that it was a loaded 40 caliber Smith and Wesson semi-automatic pistol. A check of the serial number showed that the pistol had been reported stolen. Gordon was asked to provide a preliminary breath sample which showed a blood alcohol level above the legal limit permitted for carrying a pistol. Gordon was placed under arrest and searched. The search revealed that Gordon was in possession of 15 Xanax pills, a controlled substance. Gordon was transported to the Benton County Jail, where an additional 5 Xanax pills were located in his clothing. Investigating deputies at the scene of the traffic stop conducted a search of the vehicle and located marijuana, drug paraphernalia, a gram scale, additional Xanax pills, and suspected methamphetamine. Golterman was arrested for driving under the influence and brought to the Benton County Jail. Golterman submitted to an intoxilyzer test which revealed his blood alcohol content was just under the legal limit. Golterman was issued a citation for careless driving, driving without insurance, driving without a valid license, and possession of a small amount of marijuana in a motor vehicle and released. Gordon was booked into jail on charges of possession of stolen property, carrying a pistol without a permit, carrying a pistol under the influence, and 5th degree controlled substance crime.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Troy Heck".

Troy Heck
Benton County Sheriff