

Search turns up drugs & large amount of cash

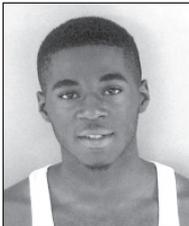
By Eric Kopp
Okeechobee News

An Okeechobee man is being held in the county jail on \$107,000 bond after suspected cocaine and marijuana were found in his home during a search by Okeechobee Narcotics Task Force detectives.

Gregory Antwon Johnson, 19, N.W. Third St., was arrested Thursday, Feb. 14, on felony charges of possession of cocaine with intent to sell within 1,000 feet of a school, possession of a controlled substance (percocet) without a prescription and possession of marijuana with intent to sell within 1,000 feet of a school.

He was also charged with the misdemeanors of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana under 20 grams.

After Johnson was secured by the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office Special



Gregory Johnson

Response Team (SRT), task force detectives served a search warrant on his home. During that search they reportedly found digital scales, boxes of baking soda, a razor blade and plastic baggies—all items allegedly used in the cutting and street sales of cocaine, added a task force arrest report.

The report also stated that two suspicious substances were found in the home. One of the substances indicated a positive result for the presence of cocaine when field tested and the other indicated a positive result for the presence of marijuana, continued the report.

A task force detective said the suspected crack cocaine weighed .1 gram, while the alleged marijuana weighed 1.4 grams.

One percocet tablet was found in a closet in Johnson's bedroom, indicated the report.

The detective went on to point out that \$888 in cash was found during that search, as well as several partially-smoked cigars that indicated a positive result for the presence of marijuana when field tested.

Man charged with sale of pot

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After his arrest, an Okeechobee man reportedly admitted to Okeechobee Narcotics Task Force detectives that he makes a profit of about \$425 on each quarter-pound of pot he sells.

Tyrone Duane Evans, 24, N.E. 17th Ave., was arrested Thursday, Feb. 14, on felony charges of possession of marijuana over 20 grams, possession of marijuana with intent to sell within 1,000 feet of a school, possession of cocaine and cultivation of marijuana. He was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor.

Evans was booked into the Okeechobee County Jail under a bond of \$71,000.

Evans was arrested after task force detectives served a search warrant on his home Thursday evening.

An arrest report by a task force detective indicated that about 74.5 grams of suspected marijuana was found in the bathroom, while another 1.5 grams of a substance thought to be pot was found in the living room during a search of Evans' home.

When those two substances were field tested they each indicated a positive result for the presence of marijuana, stated the report.

During the search detectives reportedly also found a large plastic bag with a green residue, a partially smoked cigar, a baggie with a white powder residue, digital scale, a box of 9mm ammunition and \$515 in cash.

The green residue tested positive for the presence of marijuana, as did the smoked cigar, while the white residue indicated a positive result for the presence of cocaine, the detective added.



Tyrone Evans

According to the detective's report, Evans admitted during his questioning that he sells about a quarter pound of pot a week. He reportedly pays \$375 for a quarter pound

and will turn a profit of about \$425, added the report.

Evans reportedly went on to tell the detective he will break down a quarter-pound of marijuana into 'nickel' bags that he then sells for \$5 each. He will also sell a quarter-ounce bag of pot for \$60 to \$70, the detective added.

The task force was aided in the execution of this search warrant by the Special Response Team from the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office as well as the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office S.W.A.T. unit.

OCSO Investigations

The Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office investigated reports of the following crimes last week.

ASSAULT

- 800 block of S.W. 28th St.
- 1500 block of N.W. 36th St.
- 3700 block of N.W. Eighth St.
- 1100 block of N.E. 24th Ave.
- 12000 block of S.R. 70 E.
- 4900 block of N.E. 304th St.
- 800 block of S.W. 28th St.

BURGLARY

- 3100 block of S.E. 19th Court
- 16000 block of N.W. 38th Ave.
- 900 block of N.W. 23rd Lane
- 700 block of N.E. 15th Ave.
- 10000 block of S.R. 70 E.
- 3500 block of S.E. 36th Ave.
- 500 block of N.W. 27th Lane
- 3500 block of N.W. Sixth St.
- 300 block of S.E. 36th Terrace
- 32000 block of U.S. 441 N.
- 13000 block of N.E. 22nd Ave.
- 6800 block of N.E. 136th St.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

- 5100 block of S.E. 42nd Trace

FRAUD

- 700 block of N.W. 21st Lane
- 16000 block of N.W. 38th Ave.

THEFT

- 10000 block S.R. 70 E.
- 1000 block S.R. 70 E. (vehicle)
- 3000 block of S.R. 70 E.
- 600 block of S.W. Second Ave.
- 14000 block of N.W. 308th St. (vehicle)
- 2800 block of U.S. 441 N.
- 2100 block of S.E. 34th Lane
- 900 block of N.W. 23rd Lane
- 500 block of N.W. Fourth St.
- 800 block of S.W. 28th St.
- 4100 block of S.E. 25th Drive
- 4800 block of U.S. 441 S.E.

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Seniors play country bluegrass music

The senior country bluegrass music program has begun again this year at the Okeechobee Senior Center. All persons age 60 and over who has a musical talent are invited to participate every Wednesday from noon to 1:30 p.m.