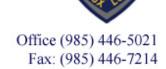


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#### Operation "Summer Heat", Lands 30 In Jail

Thibodaux Chief of Police Bryan Zeringue announced that 30 arrests have been made in connection with a Narcotics Operation conducted on Wednesday, July 31, 2019.

The following fugitives were **arrested during** operation "Summer Heat"...

- \*Abbey Lombas W/F DOB: 11/7/83 of Schriever Possession of Heroin, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- \*Tyrone Charles B/M DOB: 3/15/87 of Schriever Distribution of Crack-Cocaine
- \*Corey Smith B/M DOB: 1/14/81 of Gray Distribution of Methamphetamine
- \*Terrence Vicks B/M DOB: 7/31/94 of Thibodaux Distribution of MDMA
- \*Christopher Kliebert W/M DOB: 12/27/81 of Thibodaux Distribution of Methamphetamine
- \*Lee Johnson B/M DOB: 7/2/97 of Thibodaux Simple Burglary
- \*George Adair Jr. W/M DOB: 4/10/73 of Thibodaux Illegal Possession of Stolen Things
- \*Junior Benoit W/M DOB: 3/15/67 of Thibodaux Distribution of Heroin
- \*<u>Damian Johnson</u> B/M DOB: 9/24/76 of Pierre Part Obstruction of Public Passage, Possession of Marijuana, Drug Free Zone
- \*Wayne Henderson B/M DOB: 10/17/64 of Thibodaux Distribution of Marijuana (2cts.)



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- \*Chad Scott B/M DOB: 8/15/81 of Thibodaux Distribution of Marijuana (additional charges: Illegal Carrying of Weapon w/CDS 2cts., Possession of Firearm by Felon 2cts., drug paraphernalia, Possession w/intent to Distribute Cocaine, Possession w/intent to Distribute Methamphetamine, Possession w/intent to Distribute Marijuana, Possession w/intent to Distribute MDMA, Possession w/intent to Distribute Hydrocodone)
- \*Justin Johnson B/M DOB: 10/12/86 of Gray Distribution of Crack-Cocaine (additional charges: Entering or Remaining After Forbidden)
- \*Nathan Robertson B/M DOB: 1/22/88 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine
- \*<u>Damien Wagner</u> B/M DOB: 12/4/93 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine (**additional charges**: Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Hydrocodone, Possession of Firearm by Felon, Illegal Carrying of Weapon w/CDS)
- \*Brad Cooks B/M DOB: 12/27/87 of Thibodaux Distribution of Oxycodone (additional charges: Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Legend Drug w/out Prescription, Possession of Xanax)
- \*Jeffrey Werchan W/M DOB: 7/9/70 of Thibodaux Distribution of Marijuana (additional charges: Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Legend Drug w/out Prescription, Illegal Carrying of Weapon w/CDS 5cts., Cultivation of Marijuana)
- \*Paul Bennett B/M DOB: 8/17/94 of Thibodaux Distribution of Marijuana
- \*Beau Guidry W/M DOB: 1/18/86 of Thibodaux Distribution of Heroin
- \*Jordan Nevis B/M DOB: 7/12/92 of Thibodaux—Distribution of Crack-Cocaine (2 cts.)
- \*Toby McCoy B/M DOB: 1/24/76 of Thibodaux Distribution of Methamphetamine
- \*Spencer Parks W/M DOB: 6/29/94 of Lockport Distribution of LSD
- \*Phillip McGuin B/M DOB: 8/13/94 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine



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\*Quince Rounds B/M DOB: 6/1/85 of Thibodaux – Distribution of Crack-Cocaine (additional charges: Possession of Crack-Cocaine, Possession of Marijuana 2<sup>nd</sup> offense, Possession of Hydrocodone, Possession of Xanax, Prohibited acts CDS IV)

\*Andrew Smith W/M DOB: 12/27/95 of Schriever – Distribution of Psilocybin

\*John Ballard Jr. B/M DOB: 5/17/94 of Thibodaux – Distribution of Crack-Cocaine

\*Joseph McGee B/M DOB: 2/4/92 of Thibodaux – Distribution of Crack-Cocaine

\*<u>Stephon Williams</u> B/M DOB: 12/5/94 of Thibodaux – Possession of Firearm by Felon, Distribution of Methamphetamine,

Distribution of Crack-Cocaine

The following additional subjects were arrested during operation "Summer Heat"...

\*Shaletha Holmes B/F DOB: 11/3/89 of Thibodaux – Fugitive (2cts.)

\*Kayla Werchan W/F DOB: 9/11/71 of Thibodaux – Possession of Marijuana (Summons Issued)

\*Racqueal Rice B/F DOB: 2/5/92 of Thibodaux – Possession of Marijuana (Summons Issued)

On Wednesday, July 31, 2019, the Thibodaux Police Department's Narcotics Division, with the assistance of the Lafourche Parish Sheriffs, Office, Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office, St. James Parish Sheriff's Office, Assumption Parish Sheriff's Office, Louisiana State Police, Louisiana Probation & Parole and the Houma Police Department, conducted "Operation: Summer Heat".

"Operation: Summer Heat" was put together by the Thibodaux Police Department Narcotics Division after months of investigation. The vison and intent of this investigation and operation was to assist in curving violent criminal activity in our City. The Narcotics Division set out to target drug offenders (specifically distributors) in an attempt to secure successful prosecution of these subjects for their crimes.

The Thibodaux Police Department's Narcotics Division obtained arrest warrants on 43 separate suspects



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as a result of investigative operations conducted mainly during the summer months (last 3-4 months). Of the 43 wanted individuals, some have known or suspected ties with local hybrid-gangs reportedly responsible for some of the shootings that have been occurring in and around the city limits.

Nine (9) fugitives were arrested during the few days prior to the round up leaving 34 fugitives outstanding. The round up was conducted and 18 out of the 34 fugitives were arrested. An additional 3 subjects were arrested during the round up for a total of 21 arrests the day of. In total, 30 subjects were arrested as a result of the operation. 16 fugitives are still being sought in connection to this operation. A total of 4 search warrants were obtained and executed during this operation. Additional narcotics, paraphernalia, money, firearms, and a vehicle were seized during the execution of the round up.

The following contraband was seized during operation "Summer Heat"...

- \*appx. \$3,728 cash money
- \*2017 Chrysler 300
- \*appx. 24 ounces (1.5 pounds) of high-grade marijuana
- \*appx. 10 fully matured marijuana plants
- \*appx. 12 various firearms (1- confirmed stolen)
- \*appx. 130 doses of ecstasy
- \*appx. 40 ounces of promethazine
- \*appx. 32 vials of THC oil
- \*appx. 6.8 grams cocaine
- \*appx. 2.3 grams Methamphetamine
- \*appx. 25 Hydrocodone pills
- \*appx. 21 Xanax pills
- \*appx. 1 Oxycodone pill
- \*small amount of Crack-Cocaine
- \*assorted prescription pills
- \*large amount of ammunition

The following 16 fugitives are still being sought after in relation to operation "Summer Heat"...

- \*Allen Wilson B/M DOB: 7/16/75 of Thibodaux Distribution of Cocaine
- \*Arenthius Richard B/M DOB: 3/28/77 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine



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- \*Carlton Ellis B/M DOB: 7/24/96 of Baton Rouge Distribution of Marijuana
- \*Davonte Mathews B/M DOB: 11/20/91 of Thibodaux Distribution of Heroin
- \*Don Frye B/M DOB: 6/24/74 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine 2cts.
- \*Joshua Stewart B/M DOB: 10/6/90 of Thibodaux Possession w/intent to Distribute Cocaine, Possession w/intent to Distribute Hydrocodone, Obstruction of Justice
- \*Kalynn Faucheaux W/F DOB: 3/29/92 of Gray Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Hydrocodone, Drug Paraphernalia
- \*Kendell Amos B/M DOB: 12/28/90 of Thibodaux Distribution of Marijuana
- \*Kendall Mathews B/M DOB: 6/28/83 of Thibodaux Distribution of Methamphetamine
- \*Kenneth Woolens B/M DOB: 8/7/91 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine
- \*Michel Howard B/M DOB: 10/12/82 of Thibodaux Distribution of MDMA, Distribution of Crack Cocaine
- \*Michael Savoy B/M DOB: 3/21/94 of Thibodaux Distribution of MDMA, Distribution of Marijuana
- \*Sade Dumas B/F DOB: 1/9/89 of Thibodaux Distribution of MDMA
- \*Zachary Salas W/M DOB: 12/26/97 of Gibson Distribution of Cocaine
- \*Givante Royal B/M DOB: 9/2/89 of Raceland Distribution of Heroin
- \*Steven Duncan B/M DOB: 12/27/83 of Thibodaux Distribution of Crack-Cocaine 2cts., Possession w/intent to Distribute Crack-Cocaine

Chief Zeringue would like to thank all neighboring agencies for their assistance, and would like to remind our community partners that the safety of our citizens is our number one priority. Chief Zeringue



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added "Drugs and illegal activity will not be tolerated inside this City and I will allocate any and all resources needed to ensure these laws are followed".

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