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Suspected school zone speeder also charged as a suspected LSD trafficker & more



A table covered with cash, hallucinogenic drugs, methamphetamine and other illegal items is seen on display at the Chiefland Police Department on Tuesday morning (March 7).

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This pouch with a 'dime bags' logo was among the items possessed by the suspect at the time of arrest.

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CHIEFLAND -- Evidence shows that this might just be one bad speeding trip for a suspected illegal drug pusher who was passing through the City of Chiefland on Tuesday morning (March 7), according to information in a press release prepared by Chiefland Police Department Sgt. James Yanok, public information officer.



John Benedict Capell, 37, of Austin, Texas

Photo by Levy County Jail Staff

On Tuesday morning (March 7) at approximately 8 a.m., CPD Officer Blake Murphy conducted a traffic stop on a 2015 Nissan Versa passenger car for unlawful speed of 29 m.p.h. in a 15 m.p.h. school zone, Yanok said.

While conducting that school zone traffic enforcement action, Officer Murphy, upon making contact with the driver, smelled the odor of burnt marijuana coming from inside the vehicle.

John Benedict Capell Jr., 37, of Austin, Texas, was driving that car, according to records.

After further investigation and a search of Capell's vehicle, cash totaling \$3,999 was located in it. Also uncovered was approximately 345 grams (12 ounces) of psilocybin mushrooms, some in plastic zip lock baggies, Yanok said.

Psilocybin mushrooms are a hallucinogenic drug. They are often found growing out of cow manure.

Also located was approximately 766 grams (27 ounces) of psilocybin mushrooms mixed with chocolate, Yanok said, and these were packaged in bars wrapped in gold foil.

Approximately six grams of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD), also known as acid, which is a hallucinogenic drug, was found in the vehicle packaged in a zip lock bag on the driver side floor of the vehicle, Yanok said.

Also located in the vehicle was approximately 11 grams of methamphetamine and 2.5 grams of marijuana, Yanok said.

Capell was placed under arrest by Officer Murphy and transported to the Levy County Jail where he was booked and charged for possession of psilocybin with intent to distribute (a felony); trafficking in LSD (a felony); possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute (a felony); possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana (a misdemeanor); and possession of drug paraphernalia (a misdemeanor).

Bonds for the three felonies and two misdemeanors are scheduled to be set at first appearance.