

Great Game of Huddle Notes

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GCSO Captain Coonrod, Captain Howell and Major Denny opened today's traveling Huddle, which was held in the Jail Conference Room, with the topic at hand being the jail booking process.

Today's daily jail population: 740 inmates, with an average of 40-50 booked in a given day. As of today's date, approximately 9,000 have been booked so far this year.

There are currently 9 different housing units within the jail; 2 female, 7 male. Within these units, there is also a unit specifically for the inmate workers, who engage in work involving kitchen and laundry services, as well as cleaning the unit floors, etc. The general population consists of the B, C and D male units, with the first and second floor of the tower (which was built back in 1983) consisting of female inmates. The third floor is access to the Courts; the fourth floor used for medical and mental health care for male inmates and the fifth floor used for the protective custody inmates.

Huddle attendees were taken for a brief tour of the jail booking area, which consists of the individuals' property being logged, which is then sent to the booking Sergeant. They can also be medically assessed at this time, as jail staff can refuse or accept an individual for medical clearance (fit for confinement) for a number of reasons consisting of the individual appearing to be under the influence of a controlled substance, potential injuries from a car accident, etc. This process can also consist of DNA swabs being taken and/or a breathalyzer being submitted, with 4 separate holding cells where the arresting officer can have an individual held if being noncompliant. Due to Greene County being a "no refusal county," the arresting officer can apply for a search warrant for blood draws, if needed.

The booking staff, considered the frontline, then gathers resource information consisting of the individual's charges, identifying information (height, weight, eye color, tattoos, etc.), as well as takes their photograph and fingerprints, with all necessary information then entered into the computer database.

On any given day, there are over 2,000 meals cooked in a single day, with inmates assisting in distributing portions on a plate, cleaning dishes, etc.

