

## Eight plead guilty in drug busts

Midland City man being sought for drug distribution

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Authorities are looking for one of the 20 people charged as part of an undercover drug investigation by the Geneva County Sheriff's Office, dubbed Operation Who's Next.



**James Smith Jr.**

Assistant District Attorney Stephen Smith said during the same week when eight of the people charged in the operation pleaded guilty, investigators are still looking for one man.

Smith said a Midland City man has been wanted for nearly four months on a

felony crack cocaine distribution charge. Investigators are looking for James Michael Smith, 19, of Parker Drive, who has been charged with distribution of a controlled substance.

"He has refused to turn himself in," Smith said.

Smith said 17 of the 20 people charged have been found guilty in the more than a year and a half long investigation by the Geneva County Sheriff's Office. He said all the people have been charged with at least distribution of crack cocaine, and some were also charged with possession of a controlled substance.

"This whole operation over the past year and a half has made it much harder to get crack cocaine in Geneva County," Smith said.

Smith said the following eight people pleaded guilty earlier this week in Geneva Circuit in front of Judge P.B. McLaughlin.

■ J.J. Cade, 32, of Samson. He

has not been sentenced yet.

■ Gregory McReynolds, 46, of Geneva. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, but has applied for a probation hearing.

■ Darrell Jenkins, 42, of Dothan. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, and has also applied for probation.

■ Cedric McIntrye, 32, of Geneva. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, and also has applied for probation.

■ Steven Tyrone Wells, 28, of Geneva. He has not been sentenced yet.

■ Desmond Cox, 26, of Samson. He was sentenced to serve five years in prison, but has also applied for a probation hearing.

■ Milton "Bubba" Jones Jr., 24, of Geneva. He was sentenced to five years in prison, but has also applied for probation.

■ Edwin Sconiers, 24, of Geneva. He was sentenced to three years in prison, and has applied for probation.