Past week: Sheriff, police activity

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It was a relatively quiet time for the Gallup Police Department and the McKinley County Sheriff's Office that ended August 8, 2017. GPD only recorded 19 individuals cited for 35 outstanding warrants, 14 of those for failure to pay fines. The list included the following:

GPD Warrants: Brennen Chee (Magistrate Court), Arthur Chavaria (Magistrate Court), Brandon Lee Charlie (District Court), Shena Pete (Magistrate Court), Andrew B. Jones (Shoplifting), Richard Gantar (Failure to pay fines, 3), Joe (James) Chadwick Terrill (Failure to pay fines, 11), Ricky L. Mann (Municipal Court), Alden H. Jim (District Court), Amanda Jim (Municipal Court), Brian Begay (San Juan County warrant), Davidson Begay (Magistrate Court), Samson Charley (Municipal Court), Gerald Chaves (Parole/Probation), Kyle J. Nelson (Magistrate Court), Brittany Tsosie (Magistrate Court), Thomas Lee (Municipal Court (2)), Myron Lee (Bernalillo County), and Marcus Spencer (Parole/Probation).

The MCSO reported 10 warrant arrests during this time period, including: Riley Yazzie, Devin Bordy, Byron Tso, Brandon Tsosie, Derrick Dawes, Christopher Seschillie, Marcus Platero, Lavon Archie, Marilyn Begay, and Israel Angel. Angel was also arrested for possession of methamphetmine.

MCSO reported two accidents with injuries, including an ATV crash with three (3) riders that was forced off R. Chavez Rd. and into a fence line by another vehicle; and a vehicle hit a guard rail on I-40, mm8, which resulted in a complaint of injury but a refusal of medical help. Another accident was reported in downtown Gallup when one vehicle, attempting to park, hit another vehicle.

One burglary was reported to MCSO when a known male subject was in a home not belonging to him. A bicycle was reported stolen but was later recovered by the victim.

The MCSO aided the Navajo Police Department on six occasions, including: a possible overdose on pills; an arrest of a female for falsely accusing her husband of hitting her; a stabbing incident south of Gallup, suspect not located and victim info unknown; a dog was shot by a neighbor west of Gallup; and deputies assisted NPD in Thoreau and Churchrock on two other calls.

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Other reports and miscellaneous incidents filled the rest of the deputies' time for the week, with only one larceny standing out from the 29 reports.

On Aug. 1 Deputy Ben Benally was dispatched to talk with Daniel Fury, a supervisor with Weeminuche Construction Authority, who needed a report for documentation in the strange case of a missing port-a-potty. The toilet inspector noticed the large, plastic sanitation device missing on July 27 so it is unknown when the toilet was stolen. It is unknown if the toilet was well-stocked with toilet paper and chemical deodorizer.

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