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Manuel Ira Rodriguez-Warren

09.17.17, 02:54 am

DWI, 1st Offense

Gallup Police Department Officer Andrew Thayer saw a white van strike a traffic cone on south Boardman without stopping. Using his emergency lights, Officer Thayer made a traffic stop on Rodriguez-Warren, 18. The suspect at first denied he had been drinking, but after the officer performed a quick eye test on him, he quickly admitted to having two to three beers. He also showed the police officer a marijuana grinder and a glass pipe with residue.

Officer Thayer read Roriguez-Warren the NM Implied Consent Advisory and he agreed to a

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breath test. He was transported to the Gallup Police Department where he blew two samples of 0.5, which might have been alright had the suspect been older than 18.

Those samples are about twice the legal limit for that age. His vehicle was given to the mother of his passenger, Anna Kerley, with the driver's permission. Rodriguez-Warren was then transported to the MCDC and booked.

Carol Torres

09.17.17, 02:02 am

Agg. DWI, 3rd Offense

An alert citizen spotted an erratic driver in the early hours and notified Metro Dispatch that the calling party was following the vehicle from McDonalds North on Highway 491. McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Johnson Lee took the call and came up behind the suspect at the 6 mile marker, utilizing his emergency lights to pull the car off the road. Deputy Lee asked Torres, 50, to exit the vehicle but to make sure it was in Park, which she failed to do. The vehicle began rolling backwards until she finally set the emergency brake.

She agreed to take the field sobriety test but failed miserably and was placed under arrest for DWI. Deputy Lee read the NM Implied Consent Advisory to her and she agreed to a breath test, where she blew samples of 0.22 twice. She was then transported to the MCDC and booked.

Raymond Barney, Jr.

09.14.17, 02:49 am

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Agg, DWI, 1st Offense

The McDonald's East was once again the target of a driver who seemingly couldn't get his food fast enough in the drive-thru, and passed out instead, or maybe he was just sleeping. GPD Officer Luke Martin noticed the vehicle had the engine running with the transmission in park. The driver agreed to submit a breath sample on a portable tester, which showed a BAC of 0.209. He also agreed to a field sobriety test, but did poorly on most of them.

The driver was then placed under arrest for Agg. DWI and was transported to the Gallup Police Department for breath tests on the intoxilyzer 8000. That machine produced results of 0.16 and 0.16 an hour after the driver was stopped. Barney, 29, was then transported to the MCDC and booked.

Timothy Yazzie

09.16.17, 02:45 am

Agg. DWI, 1st Offense

Yazzie, 50, tried to tell MCSO Deputy Josie Bowman that he had to drive the pickup truck because it had a standard transmission, and neither his wife nor his daughter could drive it. Deputy Bowman had noticed Yazzie driving on the shoulder at a slow speed which caused her to pull him over. Yazzie agreed to a field sobriety test but failed and was placed under arrest for DWI.

Deputy Bowman read the NM Implied Consent Advisory to Yazzie and he agreed to take a breathalyzer, but failed that one too as the readings showed 0.19 twice. Yazzie was then taken to MCDC and booked. The two other occupants were also intoxicated and were transported home by another deputy.

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Austin Desiderio

09.12.17, 6:30 pm

Agg. DWI, 3rd Offense

MCSO Deputy Lorenzo Guerrero was dispatched to Mendoza Road in reference to a vehicle fire. When he arrived at the scene, Desiderio, 66, was being attended by the Gallup Fire Department. The driver admitted to drinking four cans of CAMO and smelled heavily of alcohol. His truck had sustained heavy fire damage and he refused to submit to a breath test. He was then transported to Gallup Indian Medical Center by MedStar for medical attention. Cleared by GIMC, Desiderio was then transported to the MCDC and booked.

Galvenson J. Largo

09.12.17, 2:09 pm

DWI, 1st Offense

GPD Officer Adrian Quetawki was patrolling on East Highway 66 when he observed a vehicle go through a red light at the intersection with Toltec, and head West on Hwy 66.

Turning the patrol vehicle around, Officer Quetawki soon caught up with the traffic violator and pulled him over to the side of the road. A field sobriety test proved what Officer Quetawki had suspected and he arrested Largo, 29, for DWI. At the police department, Largo posted two breath samples of 0.15 and was taken to the MCDC for booking.

Gary C Jaye Daye

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06.17.17, 08:15 pm

Agg. DWI, 1st Offense

Dispatched to Blake's Lotaburger East, Gallup Police Department Officer Chaz Troncoso was waved down by an alert citizen who pointed to a red passenger car parked at the Route 66 Diner. The witness advised that he had watched the driver of the red car go over a curb and strike a tree, put the car in reverse and drive away Westbound on Highway 66. The witness further said that the driver had opened the door but stayed in the driver's seat until officers arrived.

The driver denied that he had been involved in an accident or that he had been drinking, but misspelled his last name. After agreeing to a field sobriety test, Daye, 32, was placed under arrest. When the suspect was read the NM Implied Consent Advisory, Officer Troncoso noted he acted as if had passed out. Those actions were considered a refusal. When Daye was transported to the McKinley County Adult Detention Center, he suddenly 'woke up' and acted surprised to be in the back of a police car. He was booked into jail regardless of his claims.

Paul Y. Begaye, Jr.

06.17.17, 01.09 am

Agg. DWI, 1st Offense

GPD Officer Norman Bown responded to a Disturbance Call by the Old Zuni Road next to a softball field. Upon arrival, Officer Bowman observed a vehicle parked on the field and as he approached, the vehicle's headlights turned on and the vehicle drove past the Patrol Unit to the West at a high rate of speed.

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Another GPD Officer, Douglas Hoffman located the subject vehicle at McBride Circle, where he was told about the complaint and asked if he was okay. He claimed to be visiting friends but when the residents of the house came outside, they said they didn't know him.

Begaye, 46, was asked to take a field sobriety test which he refused, and was read the NM Implied Consent Act, which he also refused. Begaye was then transported to MCDC and booked.

Karen Smith

06.17.17, 10:02 pm

DWI, 3rd Offense

Dispatched to 614 West Maloney Ave., in reference to domestic violence call, GPD Officer Dominic Molina found the suspect vehicle in the far west end of the parking lot. As the officer approached, the suspect vehicle began to back up when a small child jumped out of the vehicle and began walking away to the East. The vehicle came to a stop and the engine was turned off. The driver was looking toward the back seat, where Myron Joe was bleeding from the mouth. The driver, Smith, was glaring at him and yelled, "Thank you, Myron."

Smith, 36, was asked to step out of the vehicle, placing the keys in the middle console before exiting the vehicle. She stated her and Joe were arguing because he was intoxicated and would not get out of the car. She claimed nothing physical had happened between them.

Smith initially claimed she had not been drinking but as Officer Molina went to get the portable breath machine, she changed her story to three tall cans of Budweiser. Her results on the portable were 0.19 and she agreed to a field sobriety test, but she failed. Placed under arrest and transported to GPD for the IR-8000 breath test, whose results were 0.15 and 0.14, she was then transported to the MCDC and booked.