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Loren Watchman

Sept. 2, 2:19 am

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Aggravated DWI

Gallup Police Department Officer Francis Collins said he was on regular patrol when he saw a car run a stop sign.

When he approached Watchman, 31, of Window Rock, Collins immediately noticed signs of intoxication, so when the driver admitted he had consumed alcohol before driving, Collins asked him to take a field sobriety test.

Watchman said he was taking codeine for a pain in his right knee but pointed to his left knee. He took the test and failed; he claimed he had stomach pains. He refused to take a breath alcohol test.

Armondo Eddie

Sept. 1, 8:44 pm

Aggravated DWI

GPD Officer Brandon Salazar said he and another officer were dispatched to Hassler Valley Road because of reports of a driver asleep in his car with the engine running.

When he got to the site, Salazar found Eddie and a female passenger asleep with the car on.

Salazar said he attempted to turn the engine off without waking them, but was unable to, so he woke the two up and had them exit the vehicle before it was turned off.

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Eddie, 34, of Churchrock, admitted he'd had three beers earlier. Since he was showing signs of intoxication, he was asked to take field sobriety tests, but he refused. He did agree to take a breath alcohol test and posted samples of .24 and .23.

There was no information in the report of what happened to the female passenger.

Hyrason Gorman

Aug. 30, 2:15 am

Aggravated DWI

GPD Officer Francis Collins was dispatched to a car crash on the west side of Gallup. At the scene, he reportedly found Gorman standing outside his vehicle, complaining of pain in his left elbow.

Gorman, 25, of Crownpoint, admitted he had been drinking at a local bar. Collins noticed slurred speech and other signs of intoxication.

Gorman said he was heading home to Crownpoint when he was stopped.

He twice refused to take field sobriety tests as well as a breath alcohol test. When he was taken to the hospital for treatment of his elbow injury, he was given a breath alcohol test and blew a .13.

Collins said Gorman kept falling asleep throughout the ordeal and had to be woken up.

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According to the report, he was was verbally disorderly at times.

Stewart Dennison

Aug. 26, 1:30 pm

Aggravated DWI

GPD Officer Brandon Salazar said he was on regular patrol when he noticed a car with expired registration.

He conducted a traffic stop and spoke with Dennison, who said he was the designated driver for the group in the vehicle. Dennison, 28, of Brimhall, showed signs of intoxication but told Salazar the last drink he had was at 8 pm.

He agreed to do the field sobriety tests but failed and was arrested for DWI. Another officer on the scene gave him a portable breath test and he posted a sample of .17. He later agreed to take a breath alcohol test and posted samples of .16 and .15.

Blayne Jake

Aug. 17, 8:24 pm

Aggravated DWI

GPD Officer Patrick Largo said he was dispatched to the area of Allison Road and U.S.

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Highway 66 in connection with a car that crashed into a ditch.

According to the report, as he was headed to the scene, Largo heard on his radio that another officer had to break the driver's side window because the driver was unresponsive.

By the time Largo arrived at the scene, however, Jake was responsive, and after nodding when asked if he had consumed any alcohol that night, he agreed to take the field sobriety tests.

He only got part way through them, when he reportedly admitted he was "out of it" and was arrested for DWI.

Jake later agreed to take a breath alcohol test and posted samples of .32 and .31. Besides Aggravated DWI, he was charged for careless driving and for having an open liquor bottle in his car.