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# **NO ANGELS**

# 10/23, Gamerco

A chance encounter on a Gamerco street led to the arrest of two men, one of whom was arrested for possession of narcotics.

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McKinley County Sheriff's Office Deputy Monty Yazzie said he was in Gamerco at about 2:30 am on Oct. 23, when he noticed three men walking southbound on Crystal Avenue. He said he stopped to see whether any of them had outstanding warrants.

All three said they didn't think so, but it turned out two of them did.

Israel Angel, 34, of Gamerco had a warrant out for a probation violation, while Shaye Barber, whose age and address were not listed in the report, had three outstanding warrants.

Angel carried a backpack, and when Yazzie asked if he could search it, Angel said yes. When asked if there was anything in it, he admitted there were a couple syringes, one of which was loaded with heroin.

He was arrested for possession of heroin and drug paraphernalia.

#### **CHOKED**

### 10/20, Gallup

A domestic dispute that occurred Oct. 20 on the 800 block of West Aztec Avenue resulted in the arrest of Jesse Morris on charges of aggravated battery on a household member.

GPD Officer John Gonzales said he and other officers were called to the scene at about 1:20 am because of a reported gunshot.

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When Gonzales arrived, he found a man standing in the street holding a gun. The man was told to place the gun down, and he did. The man told police he was trying to help out a neighbor who was fighting with her husband.

Police then reportedly heard the sounds of a fight behind a house, and when they investigated, they found a woman and a man holding another man down on the ground.

The man on the ground was identified as Morris.

The woman said she and her brothers were trying to get her husband under control after he attacked her in the house. Morris allegedly grabbed her and forced her outside, where he choked her until her brother stepped in and stopped him.

Morris denied touching his wife, but police noticed injuries to her face and neck. Both she and her husband were transported to the hospital for treatment of their injuries.

The man with the gun was not arrested; he said he fired the shot only after Morris came at him in a threatening manner.

#### **KNIVES AND SUDS**

### 10/16, Gallup

A Piñon, Ariz. man was arrested after he attacked a former police officer with a knife and threatened his family at a Gallup car wash.

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Zachery Kee, 30, was charged with aggravated assault, assault on a police officer, and assault and possession of drug paraphernalia.

GPD Officer Andrew Thayer said he was dispatched to the 1300 block of West Jefferson Avenue on Oct. 16 in connection with a report of a man threatening people with a knife.

When Thayer arrived on the scene, he met a man who said he was attacked by a man with a knife.

Thayer said he found Kee, who matched the victim's description of his attacker, nearby and placed him under arrest.

The victim said he was washing his car at the Magic Car Wash, 1335 W. Jefferson Ave., when he saw Kee approaching him.

Kee reportedly yelled, "What are you doing?" and pulled out a small folding knife, which he swung in the victim's direction.

The victim, a former police officer, said he was carrying a gun, but before he could take it out, Kee walked to a nearby ditch and picked up a rock and held it as if he planned to throw it at the victim's car.

Since his wife was in the car, the victim said he decided to move it and wait for police to arrive.

Thayer said he interviewed another woman who said she left the area after Kee walked up to her car and pounded on the window.

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Kee was uncooperative, according to Thayer, and tried to kick him when he was placed in the police unit. He continued to yell and was uncooperative when booked. A small bag filled with crystals fell out of his pocket at the jail, and it was taken into evidence.

#### **BREAK-IN AT BUTLER'S**

10/16, Gallup

Gallup police are investigating a report of burglaries of three units at Butler's Self Storage at 2425 E. Aztec Ave. Oct. 16.

Video cameras showed a man and woman, who drove up to the units at about 6:42 pm, broke off the locks to the units and took unspecified items.

The male suspect was described as Native American, between 30 and 35 years of age, and between 6-foot-1 and 6-foot-3. The female was not clearly seen in the video. There are currently no suspects.