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ASSAULT

Ya-ta-hey, Oct. 5

A Yah-ta-hey man was arrested on multiple charges of assault on health personnel after he reportedly threatened three health professionals at Rehoboth McKinley Christian Hospital.

Gallup police were called to RMCH on Oct. 5 about 2 pm because of complaints about dealing with one of the hospital's patients, Carlos Shorty, 45. Shorty had been transferred to RMCH the day before by officials at the Gallup Indian Medical Center for a mental health evaluation.

Police were told that during the day Shorty had tried to run away, back to a group home where he had been living.

A nurse at the hospital said when she told him to stay in his room. He told her to mind her own business and moved as if to kick and punch her. Shortly thereafter, he reportedly threatened to throw a pitcher of water at another worker at the hospital and another health worker said Shorty kicked him.

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At that point Shorty was placed in soft restraints and police were called.

Shorty told police that he was trying to be nice, but the orderlies at the hospital were not nice. He said he was trying to find his wallet so he could go back to his group home. Police later found out that he had been seen wandering the streets, unable to find his way back to his group home.

At that point, Shorty was transported to the county jail and booked on assault.

TRUCK THEFT

Gallup, Oct. 2

Gallup Police Officer Adrian Quetawki said he was dispatched to the Big Five Sporting Goods store shortly before noon Oct. 6 in connection with a stolen vehicle case.

Darren Chee said he had been at a local bar two days before, where he was hit in the head with a bottle. He said he thought he threw the keys of his car to a friend before he was sent to the hospital, but he wasn't sure. When he was released from the hospital, no one knew what had happened to his car.

One of his family members told Chee Oct. 6 that they thought they saw the vehicle in the parking lot of the sporting goods store, but when Quetwaki went to look for it, it was not there.

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A short time later, another officer spotted the car on the Munoz Overpass and the car was followed to the Safeway where the driver was seen getting out of the vehicle and walking off. The driver, Ralph Jimenez, 39, of Gallup, was detained.

Chee was called and he identified the vehicle as his. He said that a set of tools he had in the back of the truck was missing.

Jimenez was charged with possession of a stolen vehicle.