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Jacob Dearmond March 8, 12:20 am DWI

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Jacob Dearmond, 19, of Gallup, was first observed by Gallup Police Sgt. Mark Spencer when he pulled out in front of him. When Dearmond stopped the vehicle, Spencer said he could smell alcohol.

Spencer called for another police officer to take the report and when Officer Warren Bowannie showed up, he also saw indications Dearmond might be intoxicated.

Dearmond told him he had been the designated driver and had driven friends home from Sammy C's. He said he had no drinks while there, but had recently smoked a blunt of marijuana.

He agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests and had problems following directions, so Bowannie asked him again if he had had anything to drink. This time he admitted having one beer.

He was arrested for DWI and later agreed to take a breath alcohol test, posting samples of .13 and .11.

Dearmond was later released on his own recognizance by a judge.

Jaylen Jaron Bobelu Jan. 31, 11:07 pm Aggravated DWI

Gallup Police Officer Richard Rangel was dispatched to the parking lot of the Rocket Cafe on South Second Street to investigate reports of a possible drunk driver.

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When he got there, he saw a car with one of its front tires off. Jaylen Bobelu, 21, of Gallup, was on his cell phone and when Rangel approached him and asked if he had been drinking, Bobelu turned away from him and continued talking on his cell phone.

Rangel said he then asked him why the tire was off the car and Bobelu replied he didn't know, he was waiting for his parents. Noticing that he showed signs of being intoxicated, Rangel said he asked him if he would be willing to take the standard field sobriety tests and Bobelu replied no, he was waiting for a tow truck and his parents.

Rangel said he then asked him again if he had anything to drink that night and Bobelu responded "half a can." Rangel said Bobelu then became very angry and spoke into his cell phone, telling his father to hurry.

At that point his father drove up and Bobelu began walking toward him. Rangel moved to stop him, saying his investigation was not over. He then placed handcuffs on the 21-year-old.

Looking at the curb later, Rangel said he could see fresh cut marks caused by the front tire.

When Bobelu refused to submit to a breath alcohol test, he was transported to the county jail and booked.

Bobelu was later released on his own recognizance by a judge.

Arline Lewis Jan. 30, 5:55 pm

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Aggravated DWI

Gallup Police Officer Thomas House was dispatched to the area around Pep Boys on U.S. Highway 491 because of a suspicious driver.

As he approached he saw the suspect vehicle and pulled in behind it. He soon noticed that the car drove onto the median curve and conducted a traffic stop. When Arline Lewis, 61, of Vanderwagen, exited the vehicle, House said he could smell the alcohol from inside the car.

He then explained to Lewis that he stopped her because she drove onto the median curve. She replied that she did not drive over anything.

She told House her name was Arline Thompson and admitted she had two beers before driving. Metro Dispatch said there was no return on A. Thompson with the birthdate the woman gave.

House later learned her real name was Arline Lewis when he had a chance to look at her Social Security card.

She agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests and had problems with the alphabet section and was charged with DWI. She later agreed to take the breath alcohol test and posted two samples of .24.

Lewis was later released on her own recognizance by a judge.

Melisha Cadman

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Jan. 29, 10:53 pm Aggravated DWI

Gallup Police Officer Timothy Hughte said he was on routine patrol on U.S. Highway 66 and had stopped at a red light when he saw a vehicle go through it at a high rate of speed.

He went in pursuit and saw the car going 80 miles per hour in a 45 mile-per-hour zone.

Hughte turned on his siren and lights and the vehicle pulled into the parking lot at the Shalimar. When Melisha Cadman, 41, of Gallup, exited the vehicle, Hughte said he could smell alcohol coming from inside the car.

Later he looked inside the car and saw the front passenger seat missing and an open container of whiskey on the floor.

Hughte said he asked Cadman why she was speeding. She replied she was scared. When asked what she was scared of, she said again she was scared. Hughte said he asked her several more times what she was scared of and she would only say she was scared.

She refused to take both the standard field sobriety tests and the breath alcohol test, so she was transported to the county jail, where she refused to cooperate with officers doing the booking process.

She also refused to change into prison garb, so several female officers had to be called to help her change out of her clothing.

Cadman was later released on her own recognizance by a judge.

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Theresa A. Yazzie Jan. 17, 4:25 pm Aggravated DWI

Gallup Police Officer Aaron Baldonado said he was dispatched to the parking lot of the Subway on East Highway 66 in connection with a two-car accident.

When he got there, he saw a vehicle with heavy front end damage. Both air bags had deployed and the female driver and male passenger were still inside. As he approached the driver's side, a Medstar employee came up to him and said the driver started drinking vodka as he began treating her.

The driver's side window was rolled up and Baldonado said he made several attempts to attract the driver's attention, but she ignored him. When Theresa Yazzie, 49, of Sheep Springs, finally rolled down the window, Baldonado said he could smell alcohol inside the car.

He asked for her personal and car documents and after looking around, she said she did not have any. She also admitted she had had two pints of vodka before she began driving.

She refused to take both the standard field sobriety tests and the breath alcohol test and was arrested.

Her male passenger said he had fallen asleep, because he had been drinking, too. He was transported to the detox center.

Yazzie was later released on her own recognizance by a judge.