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Michael Edaakie June 8, 5:09 pm Aggravated DWI

A call about a driver parked on the side of the road led Metro Dispatch to send Zuni Police Officers to the area around Mile Marker 30 on State Highway 53. McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Terence Willie found the SUV, a gray Ford Edge parked on the westbound shoulder.

Willie met with the Zuni officers, who told him they had responded to a call of a driver who was potentially intoxicated. They found the driver, Michael Edaakie, 40, of Zuni, at the scene and he became disorderly with them when they arrived. Edaakie was detained at the scene when Willie arrived.

The report stated Edaakie had bloodshot eyes and smelled of alcohol. Edaakie said he was traveling home to Zuni and had consumed an unspecified amount of alcohol about noon. He

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said he did not want to do the standard field sobriety tests and to just give him the DUI.

Edaakie was placed under arrest and transported to the sheriff's office where he posted samples of .34 and .33. He was then transported to the McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked.

Jerome Yazzie
July 10, 2020 1:17 am
Aggravated DWI (Second)

A call about a male driver asleep at the wheel of a pickup truck on the west side of Allsup's south sent Gallup Patrolman Jarad Albert the convenience store 1801 S. Second St. Albert arrived at the scene and found the suspect vehicle, a silver Ford F-150, which was turned off with the driver still unconscious at the wheel.

Albert woke the driver, Jerome Yazzie, 39, who was slow to respond and seemed to have trouble answering Albert's questions. Albert decided to contact Yazzie's family to pick him up at the scene and he was released to them at about 2:07 am.

However, Albert returned to the same location shortly afterward on an unrelated call and saw the F-150 had its ignition turned on and Yazzie was back in the driver's seat. This time Albert noted Yazzie had bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. Yazzie admitted he had three tall cans of Mike's the night before and had driven the F-150 around.

Yazzie agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests, but failed. He was placed under arrest and transported to Gallup Police Department after agreeing to the breath test. He posted samples of 19 and .21 before being taken to the county jail and booked. Yazzie was released on his own recognizance.

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Marinda Goodluck June 14, 2020, 6:30 pm Aggravated DWI

New Mexico State Police Officer Calvin Brown was on duty near mile marker 11 on I-40 when he stopped and conducted a welfare check on a disabled truck. After assisting the tow truck and driver, he turned to leave.

That's when he noticed a big cloud of dust coming from the scene and turned to see what had happened. A gray Hyundai sedan had crashed into the disabled truck and Brown returned to meet with the driver, Marinda Goodluck, 46, of Chambers, Ariz.

As Brown spoke with Goodluck, he noted a strong smell of alcohol and that her speech was slurred. She also had trouble keeping her balance. She admitted to drinking an unspecified amount of alcohol prior to driving and agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests. She failed and was placed under arrest.

Goodluck agreed to give a breath sample and was transported to the local state police office for the test. She posted samples of .17 and .16 before being taken to the county jail and booked.

Bob Jake Aug. 10, 2019, 8:27 pm DWI

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New Mexico State Police Officer Erik Galindo was patrolling the area of Highway 371 and Highway 122 when he observed a black Nissan SUV blocking the intersection of the off-ramp to I-40. Galindo activated his unit's emergency lights and approached the vehicle on foot.

He met the driver, Bob Jake, 50, of Prewitt, and advised him to park his vehicle along the road instead of blocking the intersection. As Galindo spoke with Jake, he noted a strong smell of alcohol inside the vehicle and Jake had bloodshot eyes. Jake said he had not consumed anything prior to driving.

When he returned to his unit Galindo learned that Jake's license had been revoked.

Before he agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests, Jake admitted he drank several small cans of Budweiser. He failed the tests and was placed under arrest. Jake refused to give a breath sample, but did eventually agree to a blood draw.

Once the blood draw was completed at Gallup Indian Medical Center, Jake was taken to McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked. Jake was released on his own recognizance.

Albert Johnson June 29, 2019, 3:31 pm Aggravated DWI (Sixth)

A pickup truck that crashed into the Hacienda Motel, 2510 east Hwy. 66 brought Gallup Patrolman Dominic Molina out.

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When he arrived he found a silver Ford F-150 truck had crashed into one of the support beams of the motel's roof.

Molina spoke with a man standing by the truck, later identified as the driver, Albert Johnson, 62, of Church Rock, N.M., said he was meeting a friend at the motel and had struck the support beam because his friend was trying to direct him while parking.

As Albert spoke, Molina noted he was slurring his speech and had bloodshot eyes. He admitted to drinking two 12 oz. beers sometime before driving and was confused about the time of day. Albert first agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests, but then declined.

Molina said Johnson had a nearly empty bottle of vodka in his truck and that the insurance to the vehicle had expired in August of 2018. Albert also had a suspended, revoked driver's license due to five previous DWI arrests, the most recent dated April 2019.

Based on the investigation, Molina placed Albert under arrest for DWI. Albert refused to give a breath sample.

He was transported to Gallup Indian Medical Center for a blood draw after a warrant was approved, since it was his sixth offense.

Albert was then taken to McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked.

Johnson was required to pay \$3000 or go through a bondsman. He was required to have the SCRAM bracelet fastened before his release.

This table represents a seven-day period of Gallup Police Dept. incident calls.

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LAW
51
DISORDERLY SUBJECT
43
ALARM
41
ACCIDENT
38
DOMESTIC
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