

Weekly Police Activity Report

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SAMARITAN GETS MUGGED

Ramah, Oct. 24

A man headed to his grandmother's house in Ramah to feed her dogs, was flagged down by three men standing around a vehicle. It was around 9 pm and he slowed to see what they wanted. One of them brandished a gun after the man stopped.

They took his keys, wallet and phone, hit him on the head and left him unconscious. When he awoke his vehicle was gone and so were the suspects.

He walked to his grandmother's house and then returned to Gallup. He called Metro Dispatch to report the incident. He met McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Cecil Sanders.

His vehicle, a Chevy pickup truck, was found and towed into Gallup. No further information is available about the suspects.

BOYFRIEND CROSSES A BOUNDARY

Gallup, Oct. 23

A local man gave his daughter's boyfriend enough time to return a vehicle he had taken before he decided to report the vehicle as stolen.

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He met McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Barnhurst at Rehoboth McKinley Christian Health Care Services, where his daughter was receiving treatment for unrelated illness. He stated she and her boyfriend had gotten into an argument when he left their residence on Si Lane, taking the keys to a Toyota with him.

Barnhurst was advised the young man had a history of abusing his daughter and she often went from house to house to stay. There were many suspects listed in Metro Dispatch with the same name the father gave to Barnhurst, so the deputy was unable to acquire any information for the report.

The Toyota was entered into the Metro database as stolen. No other information was available.

BROKEN VEHICLE WINDOW

Yatahey, Oct. 23

A woman believes damage to her vehicle occurred overnight and reported the incident to the McKinley County Sheriff's Office.

She stated she was returning from T&R Market in the morning when she was pulling into her driveway and noticed that the back window to a Nissan Xterra was broken. There were no footprints near the vehicle, and the object used to break the window was a sandstone rock that could not be searched for prints.

There were no listed costs for the damage. There are no suspects.

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TWO MYSTERY MEN LEAVE THEIR LOOT

Thoreau, Oct. 22

Two males were near a property on the 700 block of Highway 612 when they saw two holes had been cut into the barbed wire fence and a nearby road had been used to access the property. They followed the road and soon found a parked silver Toyota 4Runner with no plates pulling a trailer with aluminum poles and chain link fencing.

Two other subjects were loading items from the property onto the trailer. When asked what they were doing, One replied he was told he could take some of the items he was carrying. One witness said he knew one of the males to be a drug user, possibly living near Coolidge. He told them to unload the items they were going to take.

The two did as they were told, but one of them said he did not want to stay around because he would get arrested. The two fled the scene.

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Miguel Bittony verified the damage to the fence and did a follow-up on the incident at the address given to him by the witnesses. Bittony identified and found the vehicle, but did not locate either of the two men. He was informed by another party at the scene that one of them had left to go to Arizona.

No other information was available.

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SHOPLIFTER GETS AWAY

Thoreau, Oct. 20

A male entered the Speedway store in Thoreau about 12 pm when he walked around the store and placed several items into his pockets, including chips, candy, and cans of “Smash” alcohol. He left the store without paying for the items, which were estimated to be worth about \$15.

The Speedway manager informed McKinley County Sheriff’s Deputy Paul Davis Jr. after the suspect left the store that he was seen going toward a nearby Dollar General. The manager recognized the suspect from a previous incident when he got into a fight near the property and said he still had a visible injury on his face.

The suspect was not found near the scene. No other information was available.