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Featured DWI

Nathaniel Able Yazzie

Feb. 16, 11:17 pm

DWI (Third)

New Mexico State Police pulled over a vehicle driving westbound in the eastbound lane and eventually arrested a Ganado, Arizona man, Nathaniel Able, 36, for his third DWI.

Officer Merlin Benally was patrolling on Highway 118 near the onramp to Interstate 40 when he saw a gray passenger car driving in the wrong lane. He turned onto the interstate and began following the vehicle before conducting a traffic stop near mile marker 33.

Benally met the driver, Yazzie, who was unable to provide the requested documentation. Yazzie reportedly showed signs of intoxication including slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, and had a strong smell of alcohol on his breath. He also had a streak of blood on his face, which he said was the result of getting “jumped” by a hitchhiker he picked up near Grants.

Yazzie admitted he consumed one pint of Fireball liquor prior to driving. A search of the vehicle revealed six empty bottles of Fireball. Based on his appearance and condition, Benally advised

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Medstar to transport Yazzie to a local hospital for evaluation and clearance.

After Yazzie was cleared, he agreed to take the Standard Field Sobriety Tests. However, he performed poorly on the tests and was placed under arrest. He agreed to take the breath test and was transported to the local state police office, where he posted two samples of .14.

Benally then transported Yazzie to McKinley County Adult Detention Center, where he was booked for DWI (third), no passing zone, careless driving, open container, and no license. His pretrial hearing is set for March 19.

Name: Dewayne Jay Wilson

Age: 27

Arrested: Feb. 24

Charge: DWI

Status: Pretrial hearing on March 19

Name: Michael Andrew Zetina

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Age: 59

Arrested: Feb. 24

Charge: Aggravated DWI

Status: Pretrial hearing on March 28

Name: Lewis Randolph Peshlakai

Age: 32

Arrested: Feb. 23

Charge: DWI

Status: Pretrial hearing on March 28

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Name: Cassie Janae Pat

Age: 35

Arrested: Feb. 23

Charge: DWI

Status: Pretrial hearing on March 26

Name: Skyler Holmes Hardy

Age: 23

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Arrested: Feb. 22

Charge: Aggravated DWI

Status: Pretrial hearing on March 26

Name: Byron Begaye

Age: 32

Arrested: Nov. 12

Charge: Aggravated DWI

Status: Jury trial set for April 5