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Anthony R. Tom

5.28.17, 10:38 pm

5th DWI, Aggravated

Tom, 33, of Albuquerque was arrested after Gallup Police Department Officer Andrew Thayer was dispatched to the Sonic Drive In at 2404 E. Highway 66, where Tom was attempting to order food. When asked for his Driver's License, Tom responded by showing the officer two credit cards. When his license was finally found, GPD Officer Thayer started to ask where Tom was coming from when Tom opened the rear door of the police unit and sat down on the seat. His effort to close the rear door was stymied when Thayer placed himself between the open door and the body of the unit.

Tom admitted to Officer Thayer that he didn't want to go through the hassle and refused to take a Field Sobriety Test. Tom finally got out of the police unit and told Thayer that he came to Sonic to get food and would then drive home, but that story did not sit well with the officer. Thayer then read the New Mexico Implied Consent Advisory to Tom and following another refusal to take the SFST, was placed under arrest. An attempt was made to obtain a warrant for a blood draw but no judges were available.

Although Tom admitted his guilt to Thayer, he continued to attempt to strike a 'deal' with the officer by agreeing to not show up at his hearing if he was released. Instead he was booked into the McKinley County Adult Detention Center.

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Joyce A. Estrada

4.18.17, 12:10 am

2nd DWI, Aggravated

Estrada, 54, of Farmington was discovered in the area of Mossman Park when GPD Officer John Gonzales and GPD Sgt. Nicola Martinez were dispatched for a welfare check on a parked vehicle. Another vehicle had been seen in the area but Gonzales and another officer could not locate it on the adjacent streets.

When Gonzales returned to the scene, he noticed a bulge in Estrada's sock, who reached down and presented the office with a plastic bag containing a green, leafy substance. Estrada claimed the bag belonged to her grandson and said she had a medical card for its use, but did not have one on her at the time.

A portable breathalyzer was used on Estrada and she blew a 0.11 BAC. Estrada agreed to take a SFST as well but did not do well, so she was placed under arrest. About an hour after first contact, Estrada consented to a regular breath test, but blew 0.09 both times. She was then transported to the MCADC and booked on charges of DWI, 2nd Offense, and Possession of Marijuana under 1 ounce.

Shannon Yazzie

4.6.17, 3:31 am

3rd DWI, Aggravated

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GPD Officer Adrian Quetawki was first dispatched to the parking lot of Denny's North but observed the subject vehicle on Munoz Overpass going south and then turning onto the ramp for I-40 Eastbound. He quickly turned his unit around and followed the vehicle to the off-ramp and then to the intersection of Ford Drive and Hwy 66.

After gathering the necessary info from Yazzie, 45, Officer Quetawki asked her to step out of the vehicle. Noticing that one of her feet was injured, he asked if she would be willing to take the eye portion of the SFST since she wouldn't be able to stand or balance herself on the injured foot. Yazzie could not perform the visual test as her eyes continued to jerk back and forth and could not seem to focus. Yazzie refused to submit to a Breathalyzer test. Officer Quetawki transported Yazzie to the Gallup Indian Medical Center for a medical clearance and then to the MCADC where she was booked.

Anna B. Antonio

3.28.17, 12:32 am

2nd DWI, Aggravated

Dispatched to the McDonald's East for a complaint of a possible drunk driver in the drive-thru lane, GPD Officer Adrian Quetawki activated his emergency lights when he spotted the subject vehicle. As the officer was getting out of his unit, the brake lights of the subject vehicle came on as the driver attempted to leave the scene. The driver only went around to the west side of the building where she found a vacant parking place for her vehicle. Officer Quetawki quickly parked his unit behind the subject to prevent her from moving it again.

Antonio, 32, was the driver and steadfastly refused to take a breath test or a SFST and was placed under arrest. She stated that she just wanted to go home. A passenger in her vehicle was removed and transported to Gallup Detox for her safety.

Cain Trevor Thomas

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3.22.17, 6:42 pm

2nd DWI, Aggravated

GPD Officer Douglas Hoffman was dispatched to the corner of 5th Street and Coal Avenue to meet with a complainant about a vehicle driving erratically. At about the time the two were talking, the subject vehicle was seen going northbound on 5th directly towards the officer. Hoffman fell in behind, activated his emergency lights and pulled the vehicle over in the parking lot of Rico's.

Thomas, 19, was identified as the driver of the vehicle and refused to take either the SFST or Breathalyzer test since his dad had gotten mad at him on his first DWI when he had taken the tests.

Keeping his dad happy resulted in Thomas being immediately arrested and transported to the MCADC.

Verna J. Tso

3.16.17, 11:15 pm

4th DWI, Aggravated

Dispatched to 1001 N. 491, GPD Officer Clarissa Morgan was met by a Sonic employee who came outside and pointed to the vehicle the suspect was driving. Waiting for an opportunity to make a safe stop, Officer Morgan did not activate her emergency lights until she had crossed over Munoz Overpass, where it intersects Aztec Avenue. It took the subject vehicle some distance to come to a stop, across the road from the Sports Complex.

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The driver Tso, 52, at first denied drinking but admitted it when asked the question a second time. She also agreed to take a breath test but later refused it since her license was already revoked.

Tso was booked into the MCADC.

Joshua L. Shirley

3.3.17, 11:59 pm

2nd DWI, Aggravated

Patrolling westbound on Hwy. 66, GPD Officer John Gonzales observed a vehicle enter the roadway from Strong Avenue, also heading west. The vehicle swerved from the left lane to the right, staying in both lanes before Gonzales activated his emergency lights and pulled the vehicle over at the 2nd Street railroad crossing, whose gates were down.

Agreeing to a SFST, Shirley, 28, was transported to the parking lot of the Chamber of Commerce for safety reasons. The testing did not go well for Shirley and he was then transported to the Gallup Police Department where he blew 0.19 and 0.21 on the Breathalyzer.

Shirley was then taken to the MCADC for booking.