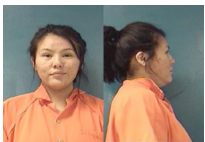


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Dustinn Craig

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10.20.17, 4:01 pm

Agg. DWI, 1st Offense

Craig, 41, of Mesa, Ariz. was stopped by McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Joey Guillen at exit 53 of Highway 612 after a call to Metro Dispatch. MCSO Lt. Eric D. Jim received more information from Guillen and administered a field sobriety test.

Craig failed the HGN test, the Walk and Turn, and the One Leg Stand and was transported to the Sheriff's office for a breath test, which Craig had agreed to after being read the NM Implied Consent Advisory. He blew two samples, a 0.27 and a 0.28 and was taken to the McKinley County Detention Center and booked.

Charles Murphy

10.19.17, 1:52 am

Agg. DWI, 1st Offense

Murphy, 26, made a desperate attempt to stay out of jail after a night gone wild at the Shalimar Dance Hall, but Gallup Police Department Officer Julio Yazzie was helped by two other officers in finally bringing him down. Officer Timothy Hughte located Murphy after he fled the Shalimar and followed him for a short distance until Yazzie could catch up.

From there the vehicles drove south on Ellison Street and east on Aztec Avenue, turning south again on Clark Street and then onto Viro Circle at a high rate of speed. Yazzie attempted to make a traffic stop at Aztec and Arnold, but the suspect kept going to State Highway 602, turning south again to Nizhoni Boulevard, where he tried to take the eastbound road but lost

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control of his vehicle, spinning out and hitting the curb.

Murphy exited his vehicle and became a 'runner' heading south on a hill off of Nizhoni Blvd. Murphy gradually made his way back down the hill, but lost his footing and fell. GPD officer pinned him on the ground and place the cuffs on him.

Yazzie transported Murphy to MCDC and booked him on several charges besides Aggravated DWI including Open Container, Reckless Driving, Aggravated Fleeing, Drug Possession with Intent to Distribute, and Possession of a Controlled Substance (Marijuana).

Yazzie was unable to conduct a field sobriety test as the suspect became very irate and belligerent at the scene and at MCDC. His vehicle was picked up by his mother.

Paul Y. Begaye, Jr.

10.16.17, 2:43 pm

Agg. DWI, 3rd Offense

Begaye, 46, was the object of a disturbance at 317 Vista Dr., where the neighbors complained they were drinking and getting rowdy, according to the police report.

As GPD Officer Daniel Brown arrived on scene he initiated his emergency lights to conduct a welfare check on the occupants. At that time, the suspect backed out of the parking spot, almost hitting the patrol vehicle. Brown then started his siren, which caused the suspect to stop and then accelerate forward almost crashing into the wall in front of the parking space.

When Begaye exited the vehicle, he almost fell and had difficulty standing up straight. Officer

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Brown asked Begaye if he would be able to take a field sobriety test but he responded with a question and a statement of his own, "Can we just go to sleep. We'll quiet down."

Brown was not moved by either the question or the statement, and based on his observations, he believed that Begaye was well over the legal limit. Begaye refused the field sobriety test and responded with a no when read the NM Implied Consent Advisory. The owner of the vehicle arrived on scene and took possession of the vehicle while Brown transported Begaye to MCDC for booking procedures.

Clinton Jason Pete

10.08.17, 2:23 pm

Agg. DWI, 1st Offense

Advised by Metro Dispatch of a reckless driver GPD Officer Steven Eldridge located the suspect Pete, 25, at the Giant Station on South Second Street. Pete needed to be escorted to the police unit so he would not fall down. He also had blood shot and watery eyes, slurred speech, and an odor of alcoholic beverage coming from his person.

Eldridge place Pete in custody and transported him to the GPD for the Intoxilyzer 8000 test. Pete's results both times were 0.22. Eldridge then transported Pete to MCDC where he was booked.

Tasheila Michelle Byjoe

10.07.17, 10:02

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DWI, 1st Offense

Byjoe, 18, was upset when she was involved in a minor accident at the intersection of State Highway 602 and Aztec Avenue. She became scared and left the scene to go to the northside Giant and advised the employee at that store to call 911.

When GPD Officer Steven Eldridge arrived at the store he was able to smell the odor of alcohol, and asked if she had been drinking, which she denied.

Eldridge began the field sobriety test while Byjoe continued to deny that she had been drinking, but she lost her balance during the One Leg Test and had some involuntary jerking in her eyes during the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus Test.

Eldridge asked another officer for assistance in making a final determination since he had the portable breathalyzer and she blew a 0.135. Byjoe was read the NM Implied Consent Act and was transported to the Police Station for that testing.

The testing came out in similar fashion with samples of .09 and .089, and Byjoe was then transported to the MCDC and charged with DWI.