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Carmelita Ann Darwin

Dec. 7, 10:44 pm

1st DWI, Aggravated

It was late at night on U.S. Highway 66 when a vehicle ran a stoplight and almost hit Gallup Police Department Officer Victor Madrid's patrol car. When Madrid pursued the vehicle to conduct a traffic stop, he noticed it swerving side to side and traveling northbound in the southbound lane, according to the police report.

The car came to a stop at Boyd Avenue and Patton Drive, where Madrid encountered Darwin, 41, whose breath smelled strongly of alcohol, according to the police report. Madrid asked Darwin for her license and registration but she "was eating McDonalds fries and did not answer [him] back," according to the report. After getting Darwin's attention, Madrid asked her to perform standard field sobriety tests, and she complied. Darwin performed poorly on the field tests, and refused to take a breath test before she was booked.

Tyrone Largo

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Dec. 7, 6:38 pm

DWI, Aggravated

GPD Officer Douglas Hoffman spotted a vehicle driving drown South 2nd Street with expired tags. Hoffman made a traffic stop at the Alon gas station at 1500 S. 2nd

St. When the officer got out of his car to make his approach, the driver in question exited his car and made a break for it, making it only about 20 feet before Hoffman caught up and detained him.

After placing him in handcuffs and securing him in the back of the patrol car, Hoffman identified Largo, 40, as the fleeing man. Hoffman also learned that Largo had a suspended license, and noticed that he had watery eyes and appeared intoxicated, according to the police report. Largo performed poorly on three field sobriety tests, and blew a 0.23 on two breath tests.

Nicole Keisha Barton

Dec. 3, 12:47 am

1st DWI, Aggravated

GPD Officer Steven Eldridge was facing south over Boyd Avenue when he noticed a car traveling eastbound come to an abrupt stop and then speed off. Eldridge followed the car and noticed it swerve and hit the curb. Eldridge made a traffic stop and encountered Barton, 26, who struggled to get her license and fumbled with her purse and wallet, according to the police report. Barton denied having consumed alcohol when Eldridge asked her. Barton performed poorly on three field sobriety tests, and blew 0.21 and 0.23 on a breath test.

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Lizsol J. Price

Dec. 2, 11:13 pm

DWI, Aggravated

GPD Officer Norman Bowman received a call form metro dispatch about a car driving on Church Rock Street without its headlights. The car had made a sharp turn from the eastbound to the westbound direction and nearly caused an accident.

Bowman spotted the car next to Indian Hills Elementary School. Bowman found Price, 29, inside the car, and explained the reason for the stop. Bowman's car was emanating a strong odor of liquor, according to the police report. Bowman admitted to drinking four Coronas "several hours ago," according to the report, and he was asked to take field sobriety tests. Bowman performed poorly on two tests and was unable to take a third. Officers found containers of beer, Jägermeister and other alcohol in the car, along with vomit, according to the police report.

Price blew a 0.18 on two breath tests.

Lauren Kelly Manuelito

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Nov. 30, 4:15 pm

DWI

GPD Officer Daniel Brown was notified that the relative of an intoxicated driver had called in to Metro Dispatch, and that the female driver was in the area of 205 S. Marguerite. The vehicle was parked at Church's Chicken at 1015 U.S. Highway 491.

Brown encountered the driver, Manuelito, 33, in the Church's Chicken parking lot. Manuelito told Brown she was driving back from her stepdaughter's dental appointment. Manuelito denied having consumed alcohol, but a breath test registered her at 0.156. Manuelito showed signs of intoxication on three field sobriety tests, and alcohol was found in her car. Her license had also been revoked from a previous DWI. Manuelito was booked and had her blood drawn and tagged into evidence at the GPD.

Randy James

Nov. 29, 9:43 pm

6th DWI, Aggravated

GPD Officer Victor Rodriguez was dispatched to Central High School over a domestic dispute and was directed toward a vehicle going northbound on Marguerite Street toward U.S. Highway 66. Rodriguez conduced a traffic stop in the parking lot of a nearby Holiday Inn, where he encountered James, 39. Immediately, Rodriguez spotted a bottle of beer on the floor of the car. Rodriguez informed James of the reason for his stop. James denied any domestic alteration, but admitted to drinking "just a little," according to the report. James blew a .235 on a breath test. He refused field sobriety testing. James had five prior DWI arrests prior to his most recent booking.

Kamra Frank, 31

Nov. 28, 9:55 pm

2nd DWI, Aggravated

McKinley County Sheriff's Dep. Frank Villa noticed a vehicle parked in an unusual location on State Highway 400. After approaching the oddly placed vehicle, Villa encountered Frank, 31, who told him she had come out to that spot to get a better internet signal, according to the police report.

Villa noticed that Frank did not want to make eye contact with him, and that her eyes were bloodshot and watery. Frank attributed her appearance to having cried after a fight with her boyfriend. Villa was informed by Metro Dispatch that Frank had a suspended license. Frank refused breath and field testing. A partially consumed alcoholic beverage was found in her car. She was then booked.