





TORCHED CAR MYSTERY

6/8, Gallup

Gallup police discovered a car on fire behind Ellis Tanner Trading Post on June 8.

By the time firefighters arrived on scene, about 6 am, the vehicle was totally engulfed in flames. Firefighters were able to put out the fire in minutes.

Shoe prints were found showing that someone had walked north away from the vehicle but a search of the area found no one. Police were able to trace the owner of the vehicle who lived in Lupton, Ariz.

The Navajo Police have been called in an effort to let the owner know what happened to her vehicle.

CARELESS SHOOTER

6/5, Navajo Nation

A family was riding their bikes in the China Loop area about 7:30 pm when they reported hearing shots being fired.

Terry Wilson told deputies for the McKinley County Sheriff's Office that they could hear the bullets "whizzing over their heads."

Deputies were able to track the shots to a house about three-fourths of a mile away where they met the homeowner who said he was shooting at some dogs who strayed onto his property.

Since the land where the shootings took place was on the Navajo Reservation, the matter was turned over to the Navajo Police Department.

TALE OF THREE THIEVES

6/2, Gallup

Three county residents were arrested when they were found with a stolen vehicle in their

possession.

Leona Jean Begay, 22, of Rehoboth; Shawn Devore, 33, of Crownpoint and Arvin Billy, 22, of Thoreau have all been charged with possession of a stolen vehicle.

Their arrest occurred shortly after 4 pm on June 2, when Metro Dispatch received a call from a man who said his vehicle, which had Idaho plates, had been stolen and he was following people who were in it.

He had followed them to the Family Dollar Store on the west end of Gallup. The suspects were taken out of the vehicle during a “high risk stop,” according to the police report.