

WEEKLY DWI REPORT

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Lathanine Tsosie

March 12, 11:23 am

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DWI

McKinley County Deputy Clayton Etsitty said he was called upon to assist in a pursuit of a vehicle that failed to yield at a traffic stop.

The vehicle was finally stopped on the Old Zuni Road where Etsitty confronted the driver, who was standing near his vehicle trying to maintain his balance. Etsitty said Tsosie, 45, of Ganado, said he was headed home.

Because he was not able to maintain his balance, Etsitty used eye and verbal tests to determine his sobriety. But when he began, he said Tsosie began walking away, saying he wanted to go home.

Etsitty told him he was being detained and when he began giving the test, Tsosie got upset and told him to just take him away.

He was then arrested for DWI and transported to the sheriff's office where he agreed to take a breath alcohol test during which he blew samples of .30 and .32. He was also charged with reckless driving and resisting arrest.

Délaine Deschiney

March 7, 4:04 pm

DWI. (Second offense)

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Gallup patrolman Mark Spencer said he was working on the DWI Task Force and was driving west on U.S. Highway 66 when his radar alerted him that someone was driving over the speed limit.

He clocked the driver going 72 miles per hour in a 50 mile-per-hour zone and then locked the driver in at 69. He turned around and did a traffic stop.

While giving Deschiney, 38, of Gallup, a speeding ticket, he observed signs she was intoxicated and smelled the odor of intoxicating liquor. He asked if she had had anything to drink and she at first said no but later admitted she had had four drinks some 30 minutes before driving.

She agreed to do standard field sobriety tests but after having problems with the first tests, she refused to do any more and was arrested for DWI. She then agreed to do a breath alcohol test and blew samples of .15 and .14.

Cynthia Harper

March 7, 5:51 pm

Aggravated DWI

Gallup patrolman Julio Yazzie was working on the DWI Task Force when he was dispatched to Shop N' Save to investigate a possible drunk driver who was seen speeding.

When he got there, he met Harper, 46, of Gallup, who showed signs of being intoxicated. She agreed to do the standard field sobriety tests and failed. She also failed to show proof of insurance and registration and was driving on a suspended license.

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When asked if she would take a breath alcohol test, she refused, said Yazzie.

Ramona Notah

March 5, 4:19 pm

DWI

Gallup police officer Clarissa Morgan said she was dispatched to the Aztec Laundry in connection with a domestic dispute.

While there, she was informed of a woman who had been kicked out of Goodfella's and had left in her vehicle. She went looking for her and found her nearby. When she put on her siren, she noticed that the driver almost hit the car in front of her.

Notah, 55, of Gallup, told her she had been doing her laundry and had gone to Goodfella's for a couple of beers while waiting for her laundry to get done. She showed signs of being intoxicated and agreed to do the standard field sobriety tests which she failed.

She was then charged with DWI and following too closely. She agreed to do a breath alcohol test and blew samples of .19 and .20.

James Lange

March 2, 12:30 am

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Aggravated DWI

Gallup patrolman Harland Soseeah was dispatched to a parking lot of Dani Drive in connection to a domestic dispute, but when he got there, the parties had left.

A witness at the scene, however, told him the car had just left and that it had a busted back window. He went after it and found it stopped a few blocks ahead. He conducted a traffic stop.

Soseeah said when he started talking to Lange, 31, of Gallup, he noticed he had bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. He also noticed several empty miniatures of Yukon Jack in his vehicle,

Soseeah said he directed Lange to step out of his vehicle and when he did, he staggered. He was asked if he was willing to take a field sobriety test several times and each time responded by saying what is that going to prove. He also refused to take a breath alcohol test.