

GROUP ASSAULT

Gallup, Aug. 19

A 54-year-old Brimhall man was attacked Aug. 19 by a group of men, who beat him up and stabbed him.

McKinley County Sheriff Deputy Jeff Barnhurst said he was filling up his gas tank on South Second Street when a man came up to him and reported seeing six men jump another man nearby.

Barnhurst said as soon as he finished filling his tank, he drove up Second Street trying to find the man with no success. He then drove into the parking lot at Nugget Gallery and noticed a man's arm near a rock ledge.

The man was bleeding heavily in the head area. Barnhurst said he asked the man for his name but he wouldn't tell him. He also said he didn't want to talk about the attack.

The man was transported to a local hospital where it was discovered that he had three puncture wounds as well as a bump near his neck.

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Barnhurst said he was able to get the victim's name from hospital officials. He was identified as Peter Begay Jr.

HIDING FROM THE LAW

Yah-Ta-Hey, Aug. 17

Henry Silva tried to evade arrest for disorderly conduct by hiding under his trailer but all that hit him was an extra charge of resisting arrest.

McKinley County Sheriff Deputy Ben Benally was dispatched to Silva's residence in Yah-Ta-Hey about 1 pm Aug. 17 after his wife called for help. She told Benally that her husband had been drinking for more than a day and she didn't want him to be home when he was drunk.

Benally was told that Silva, 49, was hiding under the trailer. Benally said when he looked there, he found Silva lying under the trailer. Benally said he asked Silva twice to come out but he refused, telling Benally to leave him alone because he was sleeping.

By that time, backup had arrived and it took three officers to get him out and that was only after one of them had to use his stun gun. Once out from under the trailer, Silva was transported to the county jail and booked.

GROUP OF FREELOADERS

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Gallup, Aug. 6

Gallup Police are looking for six people who decided to eat at the expense of Pizza Hut recently.

Police were called to the Pizza Hut East, 1510 E. Hwy. 66, about 4:30 pm Aug. 6 after the group made up of three men and women ordered pizza and then left without paying for the meal.

When they were finished, one of the waitresses said she saw the group get up from their booth and run for the door. When they got out of the door, they all ran in separate directions.

One of the waitresses ran out in pursuit but was unable to catch any of them. One of the females did drop her identification card on the ground and the waitress was able to find that and give it to police.

Police are now preparing a criminal summons to send to the female whose ID was found. The meal cost \$25.

STOLEN OXYGEN TANK

Gallup, Aug. 5

Police are looking for a portable oxygen tank stolen from a man shopping at Wal-Mart Aug. 5.

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Ernie Billie, who lives in Gallup, said he was using an electric scooter supplied by the store and was looking at school supplies when he looked behind him and noticed that the oxygen tank had been stolen from his scooter.

He said his attention had been diverted for no more than 30 seconds.

The tank, valued between \$3,000 and \$4,000, had been supplied to him by the Veterans Affairs Office.

GUN THEFT

Gallup, Aug. 5

A local security guard reported to police Aug. 5 that his gun had been stolen.

He told police the last time he saw the pistol was Aug. 2 when he got home from work and took it off. The gun was kept in a laptop case.

There are no suspects.

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MALL SHOPLIFTER

Gallup, Aug. 4

A Navajo, N.M. woman received a citation for shoplifting Aug. 4 after being seen trying to take clothes from JCPenney without paying for them.

A security guard said he saw Philomena Neal, 45, remove about \$100 worth of clothing and head out the door without paying. She was stopped and detained until police arrived.

Besides the citation, she was also given a no trespass warning.

MISSING WALLET

Gallup, Aug. 3

Gilbert Hudson, who lives in Gallup, reported Aug. 3 that his wallet was stolen while he was at the Gallup Indian Medical Center.

He said he had gone there for an evaluation. The wallet contained a debit card.

Police said there were no suspects.

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WINDOW BREAKER

Gallup, Aug. 2

Misty Tolson reported coming to her home on McKee Drive on August 2 and finding the front window scattered after being hit with a BB.

She said she talked to her neighbors but none of them saw anything. She also said that the window was specially made and costs about \$2,000 to replace.

There are no suspects.

TRAILER THIEF

Gallup, Aug. 2

Jaclyn Termes, who lives in Gallup, learned the hard way that there are risks for being kind to strangers.

She reported to Gallup police Aug. 2 that a number of items were missing from her trailer. This included a flat screen television, some electronics, and a bag containing her son's five championship rings.

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There were no signs of a forced entry, She said that the items may have been taken by a person who she let sleep at her place for three days. Police made an effort to locate him but had no success.

DOUBLE SHOPLIFTERS

Gallup, Aug. 2

Two Chinle women have been given citations to appear in court to answer shoplifting charges.

Sherry Tsosie, 30, and Sheena Tsosie, 23, were shopping at Walmart Aug. 2 when they came under surveillance by a store security guard, who said she observed them in the clothing department stuffing socks in shoes they were buying as well as hiding shirts in other shirts that they paid for.

When they managed to go through checking without being caught, security stopped them before they could leave. The total amount of merchandise they were accused of shoplifting was \$89, all of which was recovered.

Sheena Tsosie was also given a no trespass order since this was the second time she had been charged with shoplifting at the store.

HOTEL TRESPASSER

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Gallup, date not listed

Justin Nashboo, 25, of Gallup, was ordered to appear in Municipal Court to answer trespass charges.

The complaint came from officials at the Ranchito Motel, 1003 W. Sixty Sixth Ave., who said Nashboo was found on their property after being given a no trespass notice earlier in the day.

Nashboo told police that his sister had dragged him there. Police then cited him and told him he had to leave.