WEEKLY DWI REPORT

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Brittany Billie

July 20, 7:45 pm

DWI with a minor in the car

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Franklin Begaye was dispatched to an area near Williams Acres where a woman was passed out in the driver's seat and there was a young child in the passenger seat with a bloody nose.

When he got there he found Brittany Billie, 22, of Gamerco, parked facing northeast in the westbound right of way fence at mile marker 14 on State Road 118. The car was in gear and running. Begaye said he tried several times to wake Billie up. After the arrival of Fire and Rescue, the driver's rear window was broken to get the driver's door open to wake her.

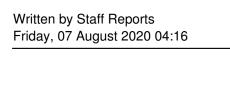
After Billie woke up, she was able to put the vehicle into park. Fire and Rescue tended to the child.

When asked if she had had anything to drink that day, Billie said had not drank and had not been driving, that an unspecified male must have left her. She said she got in the driver's seat to try to back up the vehicle. She said she was "hanging."

She agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests and failed. She was arrested for DWI.

She was taken to the McKinley County Sheriff's Office in Gallup for a breath test to which she agreed. She posted two samples of .09. She was taken to the county jail and booked while the young boy was taken to a local hospital.

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July 17, 1:17 pm

Aggravated DWI

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Ivan Tsethlikai asked for help when he stopped a Chevy Silverado near Hwy 602 and mile marker 30 (Park Avenue). Sgt. Tammy Houghtaling said she responded.

The tailgate of the truck was dragging on the ground.

Tsethlikai said the driver Tuff O'Brian Morgan, 26, of Standing Rock, N.M., appeared to be intoxicated.

Houghtaling talked to Morgan, who told her he was on the way to his girlfriend's to get a letter for the Navajo Nation curfew when his tailgate fell off and he couldn't fix it. He admitted to having something to drink.

Morgan agreed to do the standard field sobriety tests but failed.

Afterward, Houghtaling placed him under arrest for DWI.

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He agreed to a breath test which was conducted at the McKinley County Sheriff's Office. He gave two samples of .29 and .29.

He was taken to the McKinley County Detention center for booking, after having received a medical clearance from Gallup Indian Medical Center.

He was booked on charges of aggravated DWI, open container and expired registration.