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BOOZE, WEED BUST

Gallup, Oct. 30

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Frank Villa Jr. was stationed in the median of Highway 602 south of Aztec Avenue when he was approached by several vehicles who advised him a red Dodge Ram was parked in the roadway of Munoz Overpass with a driver who appeared unconscious.

Villa traveled to the scene and found the vehicle facing southbound with a Native American male asleep in the driver's seat. He saw the vehicle was still running and was not in park. As he reached through the driver's window to unlock the door, Villa smelled liquor coming from inside the vehicle.

After turning the vehicle off, Villa spoke with the driver, Nichalas Livingston, 32, of Window Rock, Ariz. who slurred his words as he answered. Livingston did not cooperate with Villa's instruction, so he was detained in Villa's unit.

While Villa inspected Livingston's vehicle, he found a small miniature of liquor on the driver's side floorboard. He also found a small clear bag with a leafy substance he concluded was marijuana in the driver's seat. There was another small bag with a similar substance on the passenger's side floorboard.

Livingston agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests, but failed. He admitted to drinking three miniatures prior to being pulled over, but did not say when he drank them. He also refused to give breath samples.

He was later transported to McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked for aggravated DWI, driving without insurance, and possessing marijuana.

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PACKING HEAT

Gallup, Oct. 13

Gallup Police Officer Christopher Dawes was dispatched to West Y Carwash, 1065 W. Hwy. 66, in an attempt to locate a silver Jeep that was potentially involved in a crime involving a firearm. He was told a female with a striped shirt and turquoise earrings had brandished a firearm and threatened to use it.

Dawes found the vehicle matching the description in the parking lot along with a passenger, later identified as Raquel Stash, 28, of Gallup, washing the vehicle. She also matched the description of the suspect.

After telling Stash to step back toward the sound of his voice, Dawes detained her in his unit. Three other Gallup officers arrived and instructed the driver of the Jeep to exit the vehicle. The driver, identified as Jacoby Garcia, did not comply with their commands.

Stash told Dawes there wasn't a firearm in the Jeep, who then relayed the information to the other officers. They continued to tell Garcia to exit the vehicle, and he replied that Stash had pulled a gun and he did nothing wrong.

About 30 minutes later, Garcia finally stepped out of the vehicle and was detained. Narcotics Officer Neil Yazzie searched the Jeep and found a black revolver, identified as a Ruger Single 6.22 caliber.

Dawes spoke with Stash, who told him she and Garcia had been at O'Reilly Auto Parts, 1630 E.

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Hwy. 66, when two males were harassing Garcia. She said she did not like the way they were treating him and she told them "You're lucky. I would blast you right now." She said she did not have a weapon in her possession when she shouted at the two males, but admitted the revolver in the Jeep was hers, after being told where it was found.

Metro Dispatch advised Dawes there was an active warrant out of Gallup Magistrate Court for Stash. She was placed under arrest for the warrant and negligent use of a deadly weapon. She was transported to McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked on those charges.