

Weekly Police Activity Report

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ASSAULT WITH TWEEZERS

Gallup, Jan. 27

A man was charged with assault with a deadly weapon after police allege he tried to stab a security guard at a Safeway store with a pair of tweezers.

Officer Victor Madrid was dispatched at 4:58 pm to the Safeway at U.S. Highway 491 in reference to a weapon call. The caller stated a man wearing a dark jacket and white shoes threatened him with something sharp and then he left, walking toward the Big Lots store south of the Safeway.

Madrid arrived and discovered a man matching that description walking in that direction. He put Ryan Roy Chee, 38, address unknown, in the back of his police car and drove to the Safeway, where the security guard identified Chee as the man who had assaulted him with what looked like silver tweezers.

The security guard asked Chee to leave three times. Finally Chee left, but then approached the security guard and made a stabbing motion with the tweezers. The security guard pulled out his pepper spray, which is when Chee turned to walk away, according to court reports.

Chee was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, a class 4 felony. He was taken to Gallup McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked.

POSSESSION OF A GREEN LEAFY SUBSTANCE

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A woman was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia following a traffic stop on Interstate 40.

At about 9:52 pm, N.M. State Police Officer Cera Sena conducted the stop at Mile Post 26. He ran her information and found that Naomi Hayes, 33, of Gallup, had a bench warrant out of McKinley County. During the stop, Sena discovered two containers inside the car Hayes was driving. Each contained what Sena described as a green leafy substance.

Hayes was arrested for the outstanding warrant and also charged with possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. She was booked into the Gallup McKinley County Adult Detention Center.

STUCK IN THE ICE, HIDING IN THE BUSHES

Gallup, Jan. 24

A Ramah man was arrested and charged with auto theft after reportedly taking a truck parked at a gas pump while its owner went inside the Gallup Speedway.

Rudy Romero, owner of the 1977 blue Ford pickup truck, had pumped gas and entered the Gallup Speedway when he noticed his truck being driven away, according to police reports. Police arrived and saw the truck spinning its wheels in the icy roadway heading west on Highway 66.

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A man identified as Andre Williams, 33, jumped from the vehicle and ran away into a nearby field, according to reports. Police followed Williams' footprints left in the snow and found him hiding in some bushes. Williams was arrested without incident and taken to Gallup McKinley County Adult Detention Center, where he was booked.

JUST BORROWING THE CAR

Gallup, Jan. 16

Darrick L. Woodie, 39, address unknown, was arrested and charged with trafficking methamphetamine and possession of a firearm by a felon after police found Woodie trying to drive away in a stolen car, police reports state.

Gallup police officer Richard Rangel III was dispatched at 3:50 pm to Ford Canyon Park regarding a possible stolen vehicle. He stopped the green Ford Explorer backing out of a parking spot. Upon questioning, Woodie, the driver, stated he did not know who the car belonged to and that he was borrowing it, reports state.

The owner of the car, the same person who called police, told them they could search the car. Officers found a gun, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia inside, and placed Woodie under arrest. Police found 19.8 grams of meth inside the car and a scale in one of Woodie's pockets.

The gun was a HI standard .22 handgun with two spent casings. Police also found 11 .22-caliber rounds next to the gun and two 9mm rounds. Officer Rangel then took Woodie to the Gallup McKinley County Adult Detention Center, where he was booked.