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PERSONAL BOUNDARIES IGNORED

Gamerco, March 21

Johnny Warren said an argument started when he was riding his motorcycle with his daughter and noticed Rudy Lopez on his property. At 11:27 am he told McKinley County Sheriff's Sergeant Garryle James that he didn't know Lopez. Warren said he approached Lopez to find out why he was there, and Lopez became combative and threatening, stating "This is my hood." The two were approached by James at 703 Portal, in Gamerco. They were yelling at each other. Warren waved at the deputy for assistance and Lopez began walking away. When James followed, Lopez took a fighting posture and said, "I dare you to come closer." He also threw a rock at James and missed him by about a foot. Lopez was arrested by James, and Deputies Nocona Clark and Clayton Ettsity for assault upon a peace officer and resisting, evading or obstructing an officer. Lopez is in custody at the McKinley County Adult Detention Center.

RED JACKET, BLACK SHOES

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A woman who didn't want to give her name, called the McKinley County Sheriff's Department to report a theft of alcohol at the Speedway at 92 S. Hwy. 371 in Thoreau around 3 pm. Deputy Frank Villa, Jr. was sent to the scene to look for a man wearing a red jacket and black shoes, who reportedly was carrying a gun and a knife. The caller said she saw the weapons on the store camera. But when the deputy arrived and spoke with the Speedway store manager, Leah Brown, he learned that the report came from the manager on the previous shift, Rochelle Sandman. Sandman did not tell Brown what kind of alcohol was taken or how many cans were gone. She just gave a description of the alleged perpetrator. Brown was unable to provide a dollar amount of what was believed to be missing, and said she knew nothing about any weapons being involved. Villa checked the area and did not locate the man.

FOOTPRINTS, TIRE TRACKS MYSTERY

Thoreau, March 20

Sometime between 5 pm March 19 and 1 pm March 20th, Kelsi Maynard said she believed her fences were cut on the north and south side of her property at 146 Poor Farm Road in Thoreau. She told McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Galvin Panteah she saw the top two barbed wires cut on the south fence and two sets of footprints. At the north side of the property, Panteah saw the top two barbed wires cut on the north side of the property. Maynard said she can fix the fence on her own, but she wanted the incident documented. Panteah also reported another cut fence at 144 Poor Farm Road. That fence also had cuts on the top two barbed wires. He followed the footprints north, where he located tire tracks beside the road.

FOOTPRINTS, TIRE TRACKS MYSTERY CONTINUES

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After his visit to see a cut fence at 146 Poor Farm Road, McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Galvin Panteah visited 144 Poor Farm Road where he had seen more fence damage. He contacted property owner Sally Diane Mayberry by cell phone. Mayberry was in Albuquerque at the time of Panteah's visit. She told him she did not remember the last time she saw her property fence intact. She said she did not visit that part of the property frequently and was not able to assess the damage. She spoke with neighbor Kelsi Maynard, whose fence was also damaged at 146 Poor Farm Road. Maynard said she would repair Mayberry's fence.