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RACING DOWN THE HIGHWAY

Seventh DWI; Released on own recognizance

Gallup, May 8

A state police officer pulled over a man from Tempe, Ariz. after she saw him racing with another car down a Gallup highway.

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On May 8 around 1:51 am New Mexico State Police Officer Rachel Hall saw a black Ford Mustang with Arizona plates racing a white car on State Road 118 in Gallup going eastbound near Mile-Marker 22.

According to the court report, the Mustang was going 78 mph in a 25 mph zone.

When Hall pulled the car over she met the driver Jason Allen McCabe, 42, of Tempe, Ariz. She could smell alcohol and noticed he had bloodshot watery eyes and slurred speech. When she asked him to get out of the car she saw that he couldn't walk straight .

When Hall asked him if he had consumed any alcohol before driving, McCabe said he had. Hall then asked if he was injured in any way. He said yes, and that he'd seen a doctor recently.

McCabe did not pass the field sobriety tests Hall gave him, and she arrested him at 2:15 am. She drove him to the New Mexico State Police Office in Gallup.

McCabe agreed to a breath test, and he blew a .18 and a .21.

McCabe was charged with his seventh DWI, racing on highways, speeding, and driving with a suspended license.

McCabe was released on his own recognizance.

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PARK ATTACK

Gallup, May 7

A woman's ex-boyfriend attacked her current boyfriend at Bubany Park one afternoon when the couple was just hanging out.

On May 7, around 3:52 pm, Gallup Police Officer Julio Yazzie was dispatched to Bubany Park at 200 Victoria Ave. because of a report about someone with a weapon.

When he arrived, he met the female caller and the male victim. The woman explained that her ex-boyfriend, Christopher Joe, 23, had come after her current boyfriend with a knife.

Yazzie spoke to the victim, the caller's boyfriend, and he said Joe had approached him with three other guys. He stated that Joe pulled out what looked like a butcher knife.

The victim said Joe started to chase him with the knife, and that he had run around the playground trying to get away.

The man explained he had tried to get his girlfriend between them because he knew if she got in front of him, Joe would stop the chase. When she stepped between the two, the group of men left heading southeast.

The man and woman gave Yazzie a description of Joe and said he was wearing a black top and Army sweatpants with a navy-blue bandana around his neck.

Yazzie advised responding units of the description, and Gallup Police Officer Joe Roanhorse found the suspect in the area of Lincoln Avenue and Strong Avenue. The officer found two

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knives on Joe, and they were collected and entered into evidence.

Joe was taken to the McKinley County Detention Center and booked on a charge of aggravated assault.

He was released on his own recognizance.

CATCHING SOME Z'S

Gallup, April 25

When a brother stopped by to check on his sister's house, he found a 36-year-old surprise inside.

He noticed the front door was locked from the inside, which he found unusual, so Gallup Police Officers Richard Rangel III and Caleb Kleeberger were called to 501 W. Wilson on April 25, at 2:39 pm.

The officers met with the brother and walked around the house to see if there were any other ways to get inside besides using the front door. The man said that all the doors were locked.

The man called his sister to ask if the officers could break the door latch to get into the house to

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see if anything had been damaged or stolen. She gave her permission, and once they entered the house, they found a man sleeping on the ground in the front bedroom.

The homeowner's brother said he did not know the man and that he was not supposed to be in the house, so the officers handcuffed the man identified as Leandrew Nez, 36, address unknown. Nez gave officers two other names before telling them who he really was.

Kleeberger searched the rest of the house and found where Nez had broken in through the back door.

The homeowner arrived at the scene and said nothing had been stolen.

Nez was arrested at 2:57 pm, and Metro Dispatch told the officers he had two warrants out for his arrest.

In the court report Rangel noted that he drove Nez to the McKinley County Jail and booked him with breaking and entering and two outstanding warrants.

Nez was released on his own recognizance.

This table represents a seven-day period of Gallup Police Dept. incident calls.

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ROUTINE PATROL

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