

## WEEKLY DWI REPORT

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By Staff Reporters

### Edgar Shirley

**Nov. 30, 2020, 7:45 pm**

#### DWI (Second)

On his way to Del Taco, Edgar Shirley, 58, was pulled over for turning from the wrong lane without using a turn signal. McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Terence Willie approached the driver and told him the reason for the stop and Shirley told him they were just hungry, according to sheriff's reports. Shirley then told Willie that he had no license, insurance, or registration.

Willie saw an open can of Keystone in the cup holder and noticed Shirley had watery eyes and smelled of alcohol. He asked Shirley to step out of the vehicle.

"I can't, I have a wheelchair," Shirley told Willie. "I had my leg amputated."

Shirley admitted that he had a beer around 7 pm and agreed to perform alternative field sobriety tests. Shirley was arrested and a handgun was found in the truck. He was booked for his second DWI, open container and driving with a suspended license.

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### **Cary Littleman**

**Nov. 20, 2020, 11:34 pm**

#### **DWI (Third)**

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Terence Willie pulled over a car for doing 73 mph in a 55 mph zone on U.S. Highway 491. After talking with the driver, Cary Littleman, 54, Willie said he appeared intoxicated, according to Sheriff's reports. Littleman told Willie he was returning from a pow wow in Window Rock and when he stepped out of the car, he dropped a miniature of Captain Morgan.

Littleman refused to take the field sobriety tests, reportedly telling Willie, "No, I'm going to fail." Willie took Littleman to the Sheriff's office where Littleman provided breath samples of .19 and .18, respectively. Littleman was booked for his third DWI, open container, driving with a suspended license, and speeding.

### **Alexander Skeets**

**Sept. 25, 2020, 6:49 pm**

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Workers at the McDonald's called police after a customer fell asleep in the drive-thru line. When Gallup Police Officer J. Benally arrived, he saw a white truck pulling out of the parking lot and employees waved him down and pointed at the truck. After pulling the truck over, Benally said he approached the vehicle, according to police reports, and found the windows too dark to see into the backseat. He knocked on the front window, but there was no one in the front seat.

Opening the door, Benally found a man, Alexander Skeets, 22 of Rehoboth, sitting in the rear passenger seat. Skeets told Benally that the driver had run away, but Benally did not believe him.

Skeets agreed to perform the field sobriety tests, but after three tests, he was placed in handcuffs and taken to the police station. There, he gave breath samples of .20 and .22 before he was booked for his second DWI and driving with a suspended license.

**John Leo**

**March 8, 2020, 8:35 pm**

**DWI (Third)**

As Gallup Police Officer Dominic Molina was speaking to a woman who claimed her boyfriend had broken the windows of her car, she pointed out a car that was circling the block. She said that car was being driven by her boyfriend. Molina pulled the car over and began speaking with the driver, John Leo, 40. Molina said Leo appeared to be intoxicated, according to police reports.

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Leo said he got in an argument with his girlfriend, because she was cheating on him, but said he did not break the windows. Molina said he saw an open container of Budweiser and an empty miniature of Yukon Jack. Leo refused to perform the field sobriety tests and was taken into custody and booked for his third DWI, open container, no registration and no insurance.

### Obrien Begay

**Nov. 10, 2016**

### DWI

As New Mexico State Police Officer Calvin Brown was patrolling U.S. Highway 491, he saw a black SUV swerve over the center line several times. He hit his lights, but the SUV did not pull over. After traveling about a mile, the car pulled over and Brown approached, according to police reports. Brown said he smelled alcohol as he greeted the driver, Obrien Begay, 34, from Yatahey, and asked him to step out of the car.

Begay agreed to perform the field sobriety tests and Brown said he failed the eye test and when asked to do the step and turn test, Begay told Brown he was too intoxicated to do it. Begay was taken to the State Police office where he provided a breath sample of .25 twice. He was booked for DWI, open container, operating a vehicle on approach of emergency vehicles, and no insurance.

This table represent a seven-day period of Gallup Police Dept. incidents calls. August 4 - August 10

### INCIDENT TYPE

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### NUMBER OF CALLS

INTOXICATED

289

WELFARE CHECK

190

TRAFFIC-RELATED

104

POLICE REQUEST

57

LAW

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DOMESTIC

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ALARM

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ROUTINE PATROL

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ACCIDENT

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DISORDERLY SUBJECT

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All other calls including.

attempt to locate, burglary, battery, assault, party call disturbance, etc.

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**NUMBER OF CALLS**

INTOXICATED

296

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### WELFARE CHECK

184

### TRAFFIC-RELATED

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### ALARM

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### DOMESTIC

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ROUTINE PATROL

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BATTERY

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