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Maynard Miller Sept. 12, 6:19 pm Aggravated DWI (Seventh)

A man was seen leaving a car crash and throwing a gun into a bush by the road. Metro Dispatch reported the incident and McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Nocona Clark was sent to the intersection of Ark Hill Road and Francisco Pond Road

At the scene, Clark found a white Nissan Altima in a small ditch with front-end damage and the driver-side door open. One witness at the scene said he found the gun and showed it to Clark. The handgun was unloaded and Clark was told that a man identified as Maynard Miller, 44, of Gallup, had walked along the road and entered a nearby ditch and could be hiding nearby.

Other witnesses said they were driving on Francisco Pond Road when they saw Miller swerving across the road, so they followed him to make sure no one got hurt. They later came across

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Miller's car in the ditch where Clark found it and when they tried to check, Miller became aggressive and brandished a gun. They backed off while he left the scene.

Three MCSO officers and one Navajo Nation Police Officer searched the area and located Miller hiding in nearby bushes. He had a loaded magazine. Clark said Miller appeared highly intoxicated, and was unable to keep his balance. He smelled of alcohol. Miller refused to take the standard field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

Miller agreed to give a breath sample, but became uncooperative once he was taken to the sheriff's office. He tried to charge at the deputy, but was detained and transported to the McKinley County Adult Detention Center, where Miller was booked for possession of a firearm by a felon and his seventh aggravated DWI.

Miller paid \$5000 cash surety on Sept. 16.

Latrisha Long Sept. 12, 1:36 am DWI

Deputy Brandon Salazar saw a green Ford F150 swerve across Interstate 40. He pulled the truck over and conducted a traffic stop near the 18 mile marker.

Salazar met the driver, Latrisha Long, 32, of Lupton, Ariz., and saw a flask in the center console of her vehicle. He said she had bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. Long had trouble keeping her balance as she exited the vehicle.

Long said she had two beers and three mixed drinks prior to driving and agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests. She performed well on the alphabet test. But she paused frequently during the test calling for her to count backwards and when asked to do the one leg stand, she said her legs were like jello. Based on the investigation, Salazar determined she was intoxicated and placed her under arrest.

After agreeing to give a breath sample, Long was transported to the sheriff's office for the test where she posted samples of .14 and .13. She was then taken to McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked for a DWI and failure to maintain roadways laned for traffic.

Long was released on her own recognizance on Sept. 13.

Christina James Aug. 16, 4:59 pm Aggravated DWI

A gray Pontiac Grand AM swerving on and off the road southbound near the two-mile marker of U.S. Highway 491 elicited a number of calls to Metro Dispatch. The car had no license plate, but the callers all gave the same vehicle description.

One caller said the car parked in front of ABQ Recycling at 61 Coal Basin Rd. in Gallup.

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Terence Willie saw a woman, who was identified as Christina Ann James, 31, of Gamerco, in the driver's seat.

Willie did not observe any damage to the vehicle or the building and met with James, who he noted had bloodshot eyes, swayed in place, and slurred her speech. She provided an ID card, but no registration or insurance.

There were two miniature shots of Yukon Jack in the center console and the vehicle was still running. James said she went to ABQ Recycling to pick up parts for her vehicle and had consumed 12 ounces of Twisted Tea around 10 am that day.

James agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests, but performed poorly and was placed under arrest. She agreed to give a breath sample and was transported to the sheriff's office for the test, where she posted two samples of .22.

She was then transported to McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked for aggravated DWI, no license or registration, evidence of financial responsibility, and having an open container in her car.

James was released on her own recognizance on Aug. 18.

This table represents a seven-day period of Gallup Police Dept. incident calls September 15 - Septemb

INCIDENT TYPE

NUMBER OF CALLS

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INTOXICATED

290

WELFARE CHECK

171

TRAFFIC-RELATED

99

POLICE REQUEST

77

DOMESTIC

05

65

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ROUTINE PATROL

45

ALARM

39

LAW

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ACCIDENT

32

DISORDERLY SUBJECT

32

LARCENY

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29

All other calls including.

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

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