Weekly Crime Blotter

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All citizens need to be watching their property, especially their mailboxes as thieves are stealing checks from incoming and outgoing mail in order to rewrite them and cash them for larger amounts. Gallup Police Capt. Rick White said that this has been going on for several weeks now and they need the public's help to catch the culprits.

"Anybody who sees anyone tampering with mail needs to call the police," he said. "They are going into mailboxes and altering checks, going into banks and attempting to cash them."

White said it would be a good idea for citizens to mail checks by going directly to the post office and not leave them in the mailbox.

"Not only this crime, but car burglaries, residential burglaries, [the citizens] have got to be our eyes and ears out there for us," White said.

Any and all suspicious activity can be reported to Metro Dispatch at (505) 722-2231 or (505)722-2002. Emergency calls for service should always be directed to 911.

Anyone with information on any unsolved crimes can report their knowledge to the Gallup Police Department Detectives at (505) 863-9365 or Crimestoppers at (505) 722-6161 for anonymous tips and a possible reward.

EAST SIDE BUSINESS DISTRICT

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Cheyanne Chester, 21, Gallup was arrested May 8 after it was reported that she pulled out a gun at Blue Spruce Lodge, "racked it a couple of times in front of them," and pointed it at two males in the room with her. According to GPD Officer Chanelle Preston's report, the 40 caliber Smith and Wesson was located in the backpack Chester was carrying. She was arrested for aggravated assault with use of a deadly weapon.

SOUTH SECOND STREET AREA

GPD Officers responding to a domestic call on Marcy Lane found two females in a physical altercation. As with police calls sometimes do, the situation quickly changed from a domestic to an arrest on the third female who was found drinking and in charge of her three young children. Heather Williams was found to be too intoxicated to properly care for her children by Officer Charles Steele and was arrested for abandonment of children (ages 5, 4 and 2).

WEST SIDE BUSINESS DISTRICT

Margina Antonio, 49 of Lupton, Ariz.; Robertson Chee, 40, of Gallup; and Eugene Silversmith, 48 of Lupton, Ariz were charged with Drinking in Public in the area of El Dorado on West 66, they will have to appear in court to answer for the charges.

YAHTAHEY, N.M.

McKinley County Sheriff's Office was called to the area of Tso Drive to handle an assault. Deputies were told that a neighbor had threatened them with an ax. Deputy Lorenzo Guerrero met with the alleged assailant who was intoxicated but said that there was not an ax in his hand and that this is an ongoing neighbor dispute.

HASSLER VALLEY

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Gallup Police and McKinley County Sheriff's Office located possible narcotics at the Juvenile Detention Center. The substance was described as a white crystal substance and the person(s) who brought the possible drugs into the facility are unknown.