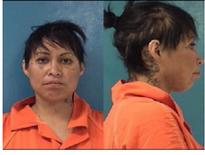


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Woman arrested for aggravated assault

A Pinedale, N.M., woman named Delphine Whitegoat was arrested for aggravated assault after she came into a local restaurant and started swinging a metal bat at the customers.

Gallup Police Officer Christopher Dawes responded to the situation at the McDonald's East, 2300 E. Hwy. 66, Dec. 7 around 1:15 pm. He met with the McDonald's manager, who said Whitegoat, 33, came into the business and tried to hit a customer with a metal bat that had barbwire wrapped around its tip.

Dawes met with the victim, and the man said he had been ordering food at the register with his family when Whitegoat came up to him asking for money. The man said he told Whitegoat he didn't have any money for her.

That's when Whitegoat reportedly became angry and started cussing at the man and his family, saying "F*** you, your wife is cheating on you."

Whitegoat allegedly pulled out a the metal bat and told the victim "I am going to f***ing hit you with this." She lifted the weapon and pointed it in the victim's direction.

The man responded by saying "If you try to hit me with that, I will protect myself."

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He walked away from Whitegoat and went into the McDonald's play area with his family.

But Whitegoat followed him, and continued to cuss and yell at him. She began banging the bat against a table.

That's when the manager got involved and removed Whitegoat from the business.

Dawes watched a video of the incident, and asked for help from his fellow officers in finding Whitegoat.

Officer Timothy Hughte found Whitegoat at the Burger King located at 2400 E. Hwy. 66 shortly after Dawes put out the request to locate.

Whitegoat was arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

After she missed multiple court dates, a bench warrant for Whitegoat's arrest was issued Feb. 2. She was served with the warrant Feb. 28. Her preliminary hearing is scheduled for March 15.

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