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Featured DWI

Sheila Dawn Benally

Feb. 17, 10:47 pm

Aggravated DWI (Third)

Gallup Police tracked a vehicle involved in a hit-and-run and eventually arrested the driver, Sheila Benally, 36, of St. Michaels, Ariz., and charged her with her third DWI.

Officer Patrick Largo was patrolling when he was dispatched to Sammy C's Rock N' Sports Pub & Grill, 107 W. Coal Ave., in reference to a hit-and-run call. While en route, Metro Dispatch advised officers that the caller was following the suspect vehicle, a white Kia Optima. Largo traveled eastbound on West Aztec Avenue when he saw a vehicle matching the caller description driving southbound on South First Avenue at a high rate of speed.

Largo followed the vehicle on South First Street as it turned onto West Mesa Avenue and then onto South Second Street. He eventually lost sight of the vehicle and pulled into the lot of Sports Page Lounge, 1400 S. Second St., and met the calling party. The caller stated he was parked outside Sports World at 1500 S. Second St. when the white Kia Optima approached and collided with his vehicle, causing damage to the front driver side. He reportedly said when he confronted the driver they got back in their vehicle and left the scene.

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The caller then pointed out the suspect vehicle returning to the lot of Sports Page Lounge and Largo approached and conducted a traffic stop. Largo met the driver, Benally, and began questioning her. She stated she did not collide with any other vehicle and admitted she consumed two cans of Michelob Ultra beer prior to driving.

Largo noted Benally reportedly showed signs of intoxication including bloodshot eyes, an odor of alcohol, and slurred speech. He also saw the front left bumper showed similar signs of damage to the calling party's vehicle. He offered to let her take the Standard Field Sobriety Tests and she agreed.

However, Benally performed poorly on the tests and was placed under arrest. Benally was transported to Gallup Police Department for the breath test and posted a sample of .25 along with several "insufficient samples." After obtaining medical clearance from a local hospital, Benally was transported to the McKinley County Adult Detention Center and booked for aggravated DWI (third) and leaving the scene of an accident.

Her motion hearing is set for May 23.

Name: Chelsea Troncoso

Age: 30

Arrested: Feb. 24

Charge: Aggravated DWI (second)

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Status: Motion hearing on May 23

Name: Kenisha Gorman

Age: 19

Arrested: Jan. 27

Charge: Aggravated DWI

Status: Pre-trial hearing on April 18

Name: Mario Rodriguez

Age: 31

Arrested: Jan. 27

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Charge: Aggravated DWI

Status: Motion hearing on May 16

Name: Delmetrice Henry

Age: 29

Arrested: Jan. 1

Charge: DWI

Status: Motion hearing on April 18

Name: Brittany Billie

Age: 25

Arrested: Dec. 20

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Charge: Aggravated DWI (Second)

Status: Jury trial on April 14

Name: Tyrick Quetawki

Age: 41

Arrested: Nov. 25

Charge: Aggravated DWI

Status: Merits hearing on May 11

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