

Two men accused of meth possession

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Two men were recently apprehended in separate incidents for allegedly possessing crystal methamphetamine, according to a magistrate's complaint filed in the Superior Court of Guam.

Officers of the Guam Police Department stopped one man who was operating a motorcycle without a rear license plate on the morning of June 28.

The operator, identified as Albert Saboy, was not able to provide a driver's license or vehicle registration, court documents state. Police also discovered that the vehicle's VIN number had been defaced.

Officers conducted a search of Saboy and the vehicle, allegedly finding a glass pipe "loaded" with a crystalline substance, as well as several other plastic baggies containing more of the same substance.

The crystalline substance discovered was subjected to a chemical field test, which revealed a presumptive positive reaction.

Saboy was on pretrial release
Saboy told police that he last used the substance the night prior and that he had been smoking "ice" for nine years, court documents stated.

When questioned about the vehicle, Saboy stated that he received it from another person and that the VIN number had allegedly been removed prior to him receiving it. He also said that he did not receive any documents relating to the vehicle from its seller.

Court records revealed Saboy was

on pretrial felony release at the time of the incident for other drug and property crimes in a prior criminal case.

Saboy was charged with possession of a Schedule II controlled substance as a third-degree felony, special allegation of felony committed while on pretrial felony release and fraudulent vehicle identification as a misdemeanor.

Separate arrest in Hagåtña

In an unrelated incident, officers also inspected a parked vehicle sitting in the Paseo de Susana Park in Hagåtña on June 28.

Police observed a man identified as Mathieu Bryan Duke sitting in the vehicle's front passenger seat with a glass pipe, court documents state. Another individual was also noted to be sitting in the operator's seat of the vehicle.

The charges

Albert Saboy was charged with possession of a Schedule II controlled substance as a third-degree felony, special allegation of felony committed while on pretrial felony release and fraudulent vehicle identification as a misdemeanor.

Both occupants exited the vehicle while officers searched for any suspicious paraphernalia.

When questioned about the pipe Duke was previously found with, the suspect stated that he had "thrown it into the ocean after he exited the vehicle because the item contained crystal methamphetamines and didn't want to get into trouble," court documents state.

In their search of the vehicle, police discovered a small case containing another glass pipe and several plastic bags, one of which contained a crystalline substance.

A chemical field test was conducted on the pipe and baggies, revealing a presumptive positive result.

Duke was charged with possession of a Schedule II controlled substance as a third-degree felony.

Lawmakers debate use of excess funds

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The Guam Legislature spent hours debating the financial and legal ramifications of two bills intended to provide additional funding to the Guam Department of Education. Discussions waxed on for hours, but lawmakers still had not reached a conclusion on the measures by 7 p.m.

Bills 87-34 and 94-34 would have provided a combined \$580,000 in additional funding to the education department. Bill 87 utilizes excess money in the Capitol District Fund to provide \$430,000 to GDOE, while Bill 94 uses savings from senatorial salary reductions to augment that amount by \$150,000.

Members of the Guam Education Board and management heads of GDOE were called in to answer questions and speak on the measure.

Officials identified where the money would be forwarded to in terms of repairs and maintenance for Guam schools.

Later into the night, Speaker Benjamin Cruz questioned finan-


cial officials with the legislature on why they there was no recommendation to use the savings in the Capitol District Fund to pay down the principal on a \$4 million Bank of Guam loan. Proceeds of the loan funded part of the renovation of the Guam Congress Building.

The payment would save about \$700,000 in loan payments for the long term, Cruz stated. Similar sentiments were expressed by Sen. Fernando Esteves, who added that legislative staff should speak about concerns when it came to the financial welfare of the legislature, even if the input was not solicited. Esteves said he would be willing to take in such input should staff have any.


Sen. Mary Torres had concerns about the use of the Capitol District Fund for purposes other than what is stated in law.

"These funds are so restrictive by design," Torres said.

"This Capitol District Fund was designed and created so that the monies are dedicated and used solely for the repair, restoration, renovation or refurbishment of this building or other capitol district building."



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Church calls on Catholics for year of reparation

By Neil Pang
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Guam's Catholic leadership has announced a "year of reparation" for the island's largest faith group and is calling on faithful across the island to observe the commemoration with a year of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Coadjutor Archbishop Michael Byrnes differentiated reparations from how they are regularly understood in Guam with what the term means in a spiritual sense.

'A way of restoring the balance'
"Reparation has to do with justice," he explained. "It's a way of restoring the balance of justice when people have been harmed."

Byrnes made the announcement for the inauguration of the year of reparation during a Mass held last month. In the announcement, Byrnes acknowledged the "wounded" spiritual state of the Catholic Church in Guam.

"It is no secret that the Body of Christ here on Guam is wounded," he said. "In the last few years, spearheaded by the efforts of many of the lay faithful, we have become acutely

aware of the magnitude of the crimes of sexual abuse of minors committed by clergy and of many other deficiencies that have accrued over the years."

Byrnes added that beyond the child sex abuse scandal, Guam's Catholic Church is also wounded by "deep divisions" within the church itself. A release from the archdiocese cited an Economist report stating Guam has the world's highest proportion of divorces per 1,000 people — in addition to the stories of violence, child abuse and drug abuse reported here daily.

"Civil remedies and ecclesiastical remedies are always insufficient — they're a contribution toward the restoration of justice," he said. "What our prayers do is say to those victims — to those who suffer — that they are worth our attention, our sacrifices and our prayers."

Byrnes said that a year of praying, fasting and almsgiving would serve as an expression of unity among the faithful, a sign of solidarity with all those who suffer spiritually and a demonstration "to our brothers and sisters that they're highly honored and that the shame, the guilt, the despair

and the betrayal of trust — God can heal that."

The year of reparation begins tonight with an opening service at the Dulce Nombre de Maria Cathedral-Basilica at 6 p.m.

Traveling monstrance

Rev. Mike Crisostomo explained that one of the big events to take place during the opening service will be the blessing of a monstrance that will travel to Catholic parishes across the island throughout the year of reparation, to represent unity among parishioners and the larger church and, especially, to serve as a sign of solidarity with the victims of abuse.

While archdiocesan leaders acknowledged yesterday that nothing is ever enough when it comes to righting the church's past wrongs, Crisostomo said the year of reparation was one of many steps on the road to spiritual healing.

"The church has certainly acknowledged that it has done wrong and now we're trying to make amends and reconcile, and hopefully spiritual justice will be served by doing these acts of mercy," Crisostomo said.

Woman admits to writing \$31K in bad checks

A 20-year-old woman faces a maximum sentence of 30 years behind bars for attempted credit union fraud.

Meihalanei Cruz signed a plea agreement filed in the District Court of Guam yesterday, admitting to writing bad checks totaling \$31,486.

Cruz admitted to writing nine checks to obtain gift cards from Army and Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES) at Andersen Air Force Base knowing she lacked the funds to cover any of the checks, court documents state. The checks were written in a two-week period between Feb. 17, 2016, and continuing until March 2, 2016.

At the times these checks were written, Cruz knew she lacked the funds in the bank to cover any of these checks, the plea agreement states. The defendant had no reasonable expectation that any of these checks would be covered by any other source, according to the document.

"Pursuant to the Mandatory Victim Restitution Act, the court must order that the defendant pay restitution to AAFES," court documents stated.

(Daily Post Staff)

Informal settlement in construction worker's death

Police suspend investigation

By Mindy Aguon
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Inland Builders Corp. has entered into an informal settlement with the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration, while police have suspended an investigation into the death of a construction worker.

On May 31, OSHA imposed an initial penalty of \$49,436 for seven worksite

safety violations the agency deemed "serious" following its investigation into the Jan. 18 death of 62-year-old Reynaldo Fernando.

Fernando sustained a skull fracture while working in a manhole at the Hafa Adai Exchange in Tamuning.

When police initially responded, they thought Fernando was a pedestrian that had been struck by a car that fled the scene, but through their investigation, police believe the worker was struck by a car.

Police reviewed video footage that showed a gold Nissan Sentra drive over the manhole, and investigators

attempted to locate the driver.

Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Aurelio Espinola, however, said the construction worker's injuries were more consistent with his face hitting the edge of the manhole.

GPD spokeswoman Capt. Kim Santos confirmed the case has been reclassified as an injured person and has been suspended pending further developments.

The report has been forwarded to OSHA.

OSHA: Company didn't follow safety standards

The violations against Inland Build-

ers included the company's failure to comply with confined spaces safety standards and failure to ensure employees had personal protection equipment and hand protection for exposure to hazards.

OSHA regulations require companies to ensure its staff complete a pre-entry checklist, ensure adequate ventilation, and have rescue and communication procedures and entry/standby and backup persons, among other things.

The case against Inland Builders indicates the matter is pending abatement of the violations with a payment plan in place.

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AGENDA

A regular meeting of the Guam Land Use Commission will be held on Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 1:30 pm, Department of Land Management Conference Room, 590 S. Marine Corps Dr., 3rd Floor, ITC Building, Tamuning.

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes - June 22, 2017
- V. Administrative Matters
 - A. ARINC; request for Technical Amendment to Leo Palace Resort's PUD to accommodate a temporary aviation communication receiving tower, on a portion of Lot 2511, Yona.
- VI. Adjournment

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