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Attempted Strangulation Arrest (Felony)

On 01/25/14 at approx. 21:30 the Hailey Police responded to a domestic at the Del Norte Apartments on East Bullion. Hailey resident Andrew J. Nix, age 31 was arrested for allegedly attempting to strangle his girlfriend during an argument. Nix allegedly pushed his girlfriend up against the wall then held her against the wall by grasping her neck and then through her to the floor. Nix was taken into custody without further incident.

Aggravated DUI Arrest (felony)

On 1/25/2014 at approx. 01:17 Hailey police responded to 101 South Main (Silver Dollar) in Bellevue for a report of a hit and run involving a truck and a pedestrian. Police were told by victim Torin A Aitkin (Fairfield Resident) that he and Thomas A. Russel (Hailey Resident) were arguing inside the bar about who had a more powerful truck. Russell left the bar and got into his a 2001 Chevy truck and was allegedly backing his truck towards Aitkin's truck a 1998 Dodge Ram. Aitken asked Russell what he was doing and was told by Russell that he was going pull Aitkens truck with his truck. Russell then turned his truck around facing Aitkins truck, and started revving his engine, lurching towards Aitkins truck as if he were going to hit it. Aitkin asked Russell to stop, then Russell allegedly back away and ran over Aitkins foot and drove away. Wood River Fire and Rescue treated Aitkins at the scene, but he was not transported to the hospital. Russell was located at 3rd and Ash in Bellevue. After a field sobriety tests Russell age 32 was arrested for Idaho Code 18-8006, aggravated DUI, and transported to the Blaine County Public Safety Facility and booked into Jail.

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