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NAMPA POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE



On 04-09-13 at 413 pm Ilia B Dawson a 32 year old resident of Nampa was arrested by the Nampa Police Department for DUI for being under the influence of prescription medication. Dawson was reported as reckless driver prior to her being contacted by Nampa Police. The reporting party stated that Dawson was driving all over the road, bouncing off curbs and nearly caused numerous accidents.

On 04-10-13 at 252 pm Dawson was again arrested and charged with DUI for being under the influence of prescription medication while operating a motor vehicle. Dawson has been booked into the Canyon County Jail.

Nampa Police Department and the other Law Enforcement agencies in the Treasure Valley have seen a vast increase in the abuse of prescription medication. Nampa Police would like to remind the public that many medications warn you to not operate a motor vehicle while taking them. And that certain prescriptions can have adverse affects when mixed with other medications, alcohol or when more then the prescribed amount is taken.

Both of Dawson's arrests were the result of citizens calling the Nampa Police Dispatch to report her erratic driving and behavior. We would encourage members of the public to call 911 when they observe vehicles operating in an unsafe manner.

There is a misconception that DUI drivers are only alcohol related and during night time hours. These two incidents with Dawson should serve as a reminder that DUI's can occur at anytime day or night.

Contact Canyon County Detention Center for a current booking photo of Dawson.

If you have any further questions regarding this press release please contact:

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18-8004. Persons under the influence of alcohol, drugs or any other intoxicating substances.

(1) (a) It is unlawful for any person who is under the influence of alcohol, drugs or any other intoxicating substances, or any combination of alcohol, drugs and/or any other intoxicating substances, or who has an alcohol concentration of 0.08, as defined in subsection (4) of this section, or more, as shown by analysis of his blood, urine, or breath, to drive or be in actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state, whether upon a highway, street or bridge, or upon public or private property open to the public.