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“Driver arrested after leaving scene of accident, leaves path of destruction”

Eldersburg, Carroll County, Maryland, January 4, 2012 ---- Bruce Lee Burney aged 21 of Westminster was arrested just after 2 am this morning after striking at least five parked vehicles, three mailboxes and a stop sign in the Harvest Farms and Carroll Highlands communities. Early Wednesday morning, an alert resident reported a white truck that had just struck a mailbox to a Sheriff's Deputy investigating damage to one of the vehicles.

The vehicle description was broadcast and a Maryland State Trooper patrolling the area located and stopped the truck traveling a short distance from the scene. The truck was missing its front bumper and signal lights, with several scratches and dents along its side. While speaking with the truck's driver, later identified as Burney, officers smelled the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage and observed an open case of “Natural Light” Beer on the floor behind the seat.

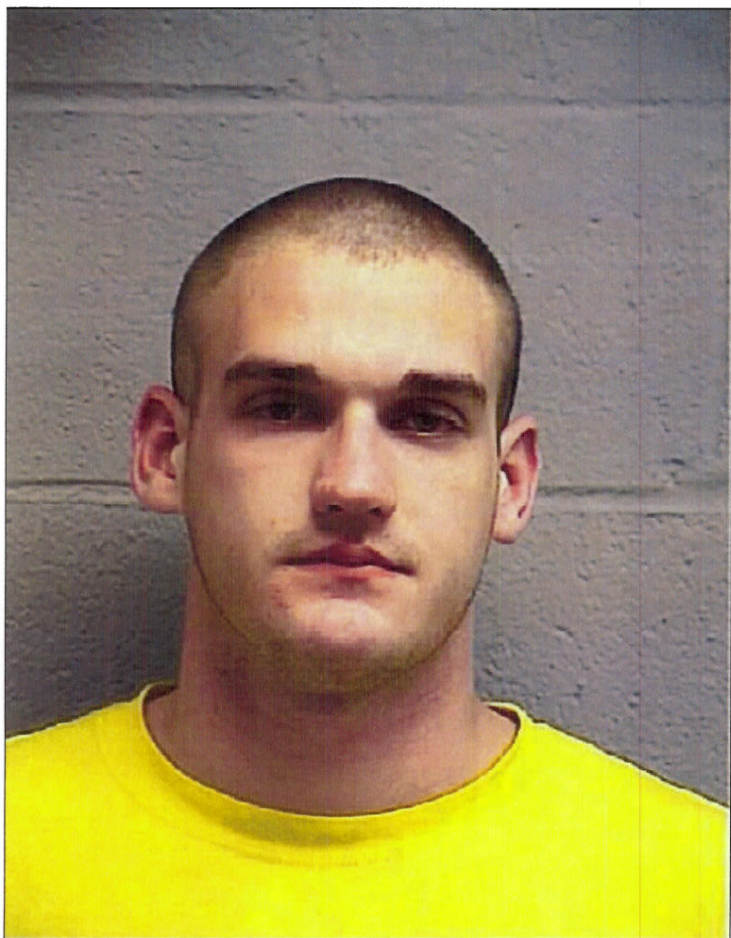
No one was injured during this incident. Burney was taken into custody, and is awaiting a bail review hearing before the District Court Commissioner after being charged by deputies with eight (8) counts of failing to report or remain at the scene of a motor vehicle accident in addition to the following Motor Vehicle Law violations:

- Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol
- Driving while impaired by Alcohol
- Reckless Driving
- Negligent Driving
- Driving on a Revoked/Suspended Out-of State License

Anyone with information about this incident, or that may have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Deputy Brian Colussy of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office at 410-386-2900, or bcolussy@ccg.carr.org. The Sheriff's Office Investigation continues...

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