

**OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF**

JO DAVIESS COUNTY

Kevin W. Turner, Sheriff

**Media Release**



Date Issued:

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Type of Incident: Rollover Traffic Crash With Injury	Date: 04/22/2024	Time: 8:30 p.m
Location: N. Menominee Road, approximately ¼ mile south of Route 5 West, rural East Dubuque, IL		

*Persons Involved*

Name / Address / Age		
Joseph Oimoen	Barneveld, WI	21
Levi Brown	Barneveld, WI	21
Juvenile		

*Arrests*

Name	Address	Age	Charges
Joseph Oimoen	Barneveld, WI	21	Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid Accident, Illegal Transportation of Cannabis as Driver, DUI Drugs

See Attached.

*Investigating Agency*

Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office	

*Assisting Agency*

Galena Police Dept	Menominee Dunleith Fire	Galena EMS	East Dubuque Police Dept.
East Dubuque Fire/EMS			

*Approved By*

Sheriff	Command <i>CK</i> 43-2	Senior Officer
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On April 22, 2024, at approximately 8:19 p.m., Officers with the Galena Police Department attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of South Main Street and Water Street. The vehicle fled from the officer at a high rate of speed traveling down Water Street, north on Franklin Street, and then west on U. S. Route 20. With regard to the public's and officer's safety, Galena Police terminated the pursuit at U.S. Route 20 and U.S. Route 84 North. Galena Police advised that at last sight, the vehicle was traveling north on Menominee Road.

At approximately 8:30 p.m., the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office 911 Center received an iPhone crash detection alert in the area of North Menominee Road, approximately ¼ mile south of Route 5 West. Upon arrival, Deputies learned that the driver of the vehicle, Joseph Oimoen, failed to negotiate a left turn in the roadway while operating the 2015 Chevrolet Impala. Oimoen's vehicle hit a mailbox, became airborne, struck a utility pole, rolled several times, and came to rest in a driveway. Oimoen was transported to Midwest Medical Center for treatment of his injuries. Two passengers in the vehicle, identified as Levi Brown and a male juvenile, were transported from the scene by East Dubuque Ambulance and Galena Ambulance to Mercy Hospital, Dubuque, for treatment of their injuries. Oimoen was cited with Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident, Illegal Transportation of Cannabis as a Driver, and Driving Under the Influence of Drugs.

This crash remains under investigation.

The Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office would like to remind the public that all persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.