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Man Arrested for Hit and Run with Pedestrian and his Service Dog

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On 08/30/2020 Menasha officers along with Gold Cross Ambulance and Neenah / Menasha Fire Rescue responded to the intersection of Second Street and Appleton Street in the City of Menasha for a hit and run crash. A 60 year old Menasha man was found injured but conscious with non-life threatening injuries in the cross walk next to his motorized scooter. A pickup truck failed to yield the right of way and hit him and his service dog in the crosswalk and fled the scene. The victim was transported to the hospital by Gold Cross Ambulance. The service dog had run off but was reunited with the victim later in the evening. The dog was limping but is expected to recover.

A Fox Crossing Police officer located the vehicle a short time later. The driver, a 28 year old Menasha man, was taken into custody and transported to the Winnebago County Jail. Charges were referred to the District Attorney's office of Hit and Run causing injury, Operating While Suspended, OWI first offense causing injury, Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Menasha Lieutenant Lenss wanted to thank the community for helping with the incident stating, "the witnesses on scene were critical in identifying the suspect and in caring for the victim prior to first responders arriving."

Drive Sober or Get Pulled over, a statewide campaign to enhance public safety and prevent needless tragedies continues until September 7th. While this awareness campaign is ending, our goals to end impaired driving and unnecessary injuries like this are a long way off. You can help by stepping in to stop someone from driving impaired. Make arrangements for a safe ride home if you plan on drinking. We all play a part in keeping our roadways safe.

<https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/about-wisdot/newsroom/news-rel/081519-drive-sober.aspx>

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