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PRESS RELEASE

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UPDATED RELEASE

On Thursday, May 9, at 10:39 p.m., the Sioux County Sheriff's Office arrested Benjamin Van Otterloo, age 18, of Rock Valley, IA.

The arrest occurred when a Sioux County deputy sheriff went to Van Otterloo's residence in Rock Valley. The deputy was following up on Van Otterloo's traffic accident, which occurred on May 7. When the deputy attempted to take him into custody on the charges regarding the accident, Van Otterloo became combative and resisted the arrest. He was then arrested and booked into jail.

Van Otterloo was charged with interference with official acts, operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent, driving a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license and driving on the wrong side of a two-way highway.

The sheriff's office was assisted by the Rock Valley Police Department.



ORIGINAL RELEASE BELOW

On Tuesday, May 7, at 12:16 a.m., the Sioux County Sheriff's Office investigated a motor vehicle accident that occurred on Highway 18, one-half mile west of Boyden, IA.

Benjamin Van Otterloo, age 18, of Rock Valley, IA was driving a 2001 Chevrolet Silverado westbound on Highway 18. Tiffani Bergstrom, age 18, of Primghar, IA was driving a 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazer eastbound on Highway 18. Van Otterloo crossed the center of the roadway and sideswiped Bergstrom.

Van Otterloo and Bergstrom were both transported by the Boyden Ambulance to the Sheldon Hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

The Silverado sustained approximately \$5,000 in damage. The Trailblazer sustained approximately \$4,000 in damage.

The Sheriff's Office was assisted by Boyden Ambulance and Boyden Fire Department.

The accident remains under investigation.