



# BARTLETT POLICE DEPARTMENT

## NEWS RELEASE



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### **Bartlett Police Investigate Hit & Run Crash Involving a Motorcycle**

On May 29, 2009, the Bartlett Police Department arrested Eric Nunez, 18, of 2227 Newport Circle Hanover Park, Illinois. He was charged with a Class A Misdemeanor offense of Attempted Leaving the Scene of a Motor Vehicle Accident Involving Personal Injury and cited for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident. Police also arrested Israel Vargas, 37, of 223 Burnside Circle Bartlett, Illinois. He was charged with a Class A Misdemeanor offense of Possession of Firearm Without Requisite Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

At approximately 5:00 pm, Bartlett Police responded to a motor vehicle crash on Pipers Drive near the intersection of Pear Tree Lane. Police learned Nunez was driving a 1999 Buick Park Avenue eastbound on Pipers Drive when the vehicle rear-ended a 2001 Honda Gold Wing motorcycle. Police alleged Nunez then left the scene and was apprehended a short time later at a residence on Burnside Circle in Bartlett, Illinois. The driver and passenger of the motorcycle suffered minor injuries. They were transported to St. Alexius Hospital in Hoffman Estates by the Bartlett Fire Protection District.

During the investigation, Police located an unloaded .380 caliber handgun inside the vehicle. Police alleged Nunez' passenger and the owner of the vehicle, Israel Vargas, did not possess a valid Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

Nunez and Vargas were both released on a \$1000 recognizance bond. Nunez' court date will be assigned by the DuPage County Circuit Court Clerk at the Glendale Heights Field Court. Vargas was issued a court date of June 16, 2009 at the DuPage County Judicial Center in Wheaton, Illinois.

Submitted by,  
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