

Pedestrian struck by vehicle on U.S. 31 in accident on Friday the 13th

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A young man struck by a car while attempting to cross U.S. Highway 31 in Scottsburg continues to recover from his injuries.

Jordan T. Harrell, 20, Lexington, was listed on the Scottsburg Police Department accident report as having received a head laceration which bled heavily.

The mishap occurred on Friday, June 13, at the intersection of U.S. 31 North and Maple Street just after 10 p.m. A 2004 Hyundai Elantra driven by Veronica Banda, 36, Scottsburg, apparently struck Harrell after Harrell tried to cross.

9-1-1 calls brought Patrolmen Troy Ford and Shawn Hurt to the scene along with Scott County EMS and First Responders with the Scottsburg Volunteer Fire Department.

When Ptl. Ford arrived, he said he saw the man lying prone face down on U.S. 31 about 30 feet north of the side street. Banda told the officer that she had been driving north when the young man suddenly ran into her lane.

She said she tried to swerve and miss him but still struck him.

Her story was corroborated by three other witnesses, but three young people who had been with Harrell had differing stories regarding the woman's headlights being on and her speed at the time of the accident.

Harrell was transported by ambulance to Scott Memorial Hospital for treatment of his head wound.

Property damage from the accident was listed at up to \$2,500.