

# Clinton County Sheriffs Office News Release

**TO: AREA NEWS**

**REPORTED BY: Dep. Wenske**

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**SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Personal Injury Accident**

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**NAME OF ARRESTEE:**

**ADDRESS:**

**AGE-SEX:**

**CHARGES:**

**DATE AND TIME OF ARREST:**

**NARRATIVE:** On May 16, 2012 at approximately 1601 hrs the Clinton County Sheriff's Department responded to the scene of a car versus motorcycle accident, located on St Rt 3 near the Lee Appliance Store and the Sunoco station. Upon the investigation into the accident, and after speaking with several witnesses, it was determined that Maribeth L. Cross (17 YOA) was operating her 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix in a westerly direction on St Rt 3. Maribeth attempted to make a left hand turn into the Sunoco station and struck a 2003 Harley Davidson motorcycle, traveling east bound, being operated by Robert J. Matthews (47 YOA). As a result of this action Matthews motorcycle was layed down on its right side and traveled approximately one hundred and fifty feet before coming to rest in the driveway to the Lee Appliance Store. Matthews was transported by rescue personell to CVPH, with a left leg injury, and was later transported to Fletcher Allen Health Care in Vermont via Life Flight. Maribeth was issued a ticket for failure to yield the right of way during a left turn. The investigation into the accident is ongoing at this time. The Sheriff's Department was assisted by the South Plattsburgh Fire Department and the EMT's of CVPH.

**DISPOSITION:**