



## News Release

August 14, 2009

### Negligent Homicide Arrest

Washington County Sheriff Tim Helder announced today an arrest was made stemming from a fatality accident on E. Black Oak Road (WC 57) near Mountain Springs Road (WC 5007) in southeast Washington County.

On **June 5, 2009** at approximately 10:29 a.m. Washington County deputies responded to a one-vehicle vs. pedestrian accident on E. Black Oak Road. The accident resulted in the death of the pedestrian, Hancil **HARTBARGER, II**, W/M, 60, of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Mr. **HARTBARGER**, working for the Washington County Road Department, was responsible for directing traffic on E. Black Oak Road when a blue, 2007 Hyundai Accent, driven by Rusty Joe **WARFORD**, W/M, 51, of Greenland was traveling eastbound and struck Mr. **HARTBARGER**.

After review of the investigative findings, the Washington County Prosecutor's Office issued a warrant for Mr. **WARFORD** for **NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE**. Mr. **WARFORD** turned himself in to the Washington County Detention Center today and was released on his own recognizance by the Washington County Prosecutor's Office.

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ATTACHMENT 1: Booking Photo – Rusty Joe Warford

ATTACHMENT 2: Affidavit for Warrant of Arrest – Rusty Joe Warford

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