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Man Shot; Arrest Made

Bloomington, IL - On Tuesday, 3/29/2022, at approximately 7:18 p.m., Bloomington police officers were dispatched to the 300 block of E. Locust St. for a trespassing / remove subject call for service. While responding, officers were told shots were fired and a male was shot.

Upon arrival, officers located a 28-year old male victim. The victim had a non-life threatening injury that was consistent with a gunshot wound. He was later transported to Carle BroMenn Medical Center by the Bloomington Fire Department.

Shortly after the shooting, BPD officers had located and stopped a vehicle the suspect was believed to be an occupant in. Officers arrested Charles L. Bell, 33, of Bloomington, Illinois without incident for the shooting. Bell was later transported to the McLean County Jail.

During the investigation, officers learned that Bell and the victim had a personal dispute which led to the victim being shot. Officers and detectives later executed a search warrant reference the shooting at the suspect's residence and seized two firearms.

Charles Bell was arrested for: AGG BATTERY/DISCHARGE FIREARM, UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS / FELON POSSESS / USE WEAPON / FIREARM, and RESISTING / OBSTRUCTING A PEACE OFFICER. No bond information is listed at this time.

This incident remains under investigation. Anyone with information should contact BPD Detective Pedro Diaz at 309-434-2532 / PDiaz@cityblm.org or BPD Detective Paul Swanlund at 309-434-2373 / PSwanlund@cityblm.org.

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