



# Driver of Jeep involved in fatal Bellevue crash charged

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SEATTLE - The driver of a car involved in a fatal accident has been charged with vehicular homicide and vehicular assault.

Jarrold Bandy, 21, appeared in court Wednesday, and bail was set at \$350,000.

Charging papers say Bandy was driving a Jeep Cherokee, with five friends in the car with him, when he ran a red light at a high speed at a downtown Bellevue intersection and struck a BMW carrying five young people.

Robert Vasen, 20, a former Bellevue High School student who was riding in the back seat of the BMW, suffered a catastrophic brain injury and died the next night at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

The driver of the BMW, Ryan Kellogg, 22, was hospitalized with a lacerated spleen, while another passenger, Steven Regener, 21, was hospitalized with a neck fracture.

According to probable cause documents, a passenger in Bandy's car said he had been "dancing" in the car and "acting weird." The documents also say Bandy admitted he had been drinking alcohol and had seen that the light was red.

A blood test revealed that Bandy's blood alcohol level was 0.16.

Court papers say Bandy was driving in a reckless manner and was over the legal alcohol limit, which caused the death of Vasen and the injuries to his passengers.

Arrest is set for April 5.

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