Grand Island man accused of fleeing DWI crash at 100 mph

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A driver who fled the scene of an accident on Grand Island at a speed of 100 mph was later stopped and is now charged with driving while intoxicated, reckless driving and other motor vehicle violations, the Erie County Sheriff's Office reported this morning.

Tyler J. Rice, 40, of Grand Island, was involved in a property damage accident on Whitehaven Road early this morning, but then fled away at a speed of 100 mph in a 45 mph zone, deputies said.

Deputies did not say how they caught up with Rice but when they did, they said he refused a breath test to determine his blood-alcohol content.

Rice also was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana and multiple, unspecified vehicle and traffic violations. He was taken to the county Holding Center pending arraignment in town court.