

Life is full of choices, each person gets to make their own choices and for the most part live their life the way that they. Unfortunately in today's society people are having their right to choose taken away by someone else who chooses for them. This happens in many cases with drunk driving accidents; one person's poor choice to get behind the wheel of their car when they shouldn't be ends up taking away the life of another person. A person who had not made a bad choice, a person who was doing nothing wrong, and the worst part of this whole situation is that the drunk driver in many cases lives.

In my opinion there are ways to prevent drunk driving and unfortunately they are not being handled properly. I think that there needs to be a severe consequence attached to drunk driving like there is to murder because in my opinion they are the same. A drunk driver behind the wheel has a loaded gun, and if they are caught before they hit and kill someone, why should we let them off so the next time that they are driving they kill someone. If we would lock people up and punish them the first time we would prevent them from killing someone the next time because they will not even be on the roads. In the grand scheme of things if we punish drunk drivers and take them off the roads, we will save many valuable lives.

I say this because in too many drunks driving murders, the drunk driver had already been previously charged but no lesson was learned and they went out and did it again. As a society we need to be protected from drunk drivers and we can do this by giving them much harsher punishments for their actions. There are too many people in today's society that have gotten caught driving drunk and have either gotten off or have gotten little to no punishment for what they did. These people just continue to drink and drive because they are not worried about the punishments. Just because they didn't hit and kill someone doesn't mean that they should get lesser of a punishment. We need to have people realize the severe danger and punishment if they drink and drive and there will be less loaded guns on the street waiting to go off and kill someone.

If a drunk driver hits and kills someone they deserve to go to prison for life. It is no different than murder. A murderer makes a choice that results in taking away the life of an innocent person. A drunk driver is no different, they make the choice to get in their cars and drive and when they take away the life of another innocent person, they should be treated and sentenced like who they are, murderers. If as a society we do this to our criminals we will be protecting ourselves, and when we go out at night we don't have to worry about having our lives taken away by the drunk drivers on the road, we can have a good time and be safe. Everyone deserves to live a long and "happy life and no drunk driver should be able to make the choice of how long an innocent person lives, the choice needs to be ours and not theirs. These life taking crashes have not been called accidents because they aren't, an accident is not meant and no bad choices were made, in drunk driving crashes there was another choice that would have prevented the situation from happening. I don't want to have to worry about being hit by a drunk driver when I am driving, no one should have to, so lets lock them up and keep them off the roads to make our community a safer place to live.