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MEDIA RELEASE

Sheriff's Office Investigates Traffic Crash Involving Four Vehicles on Route 47 February 23, 2010

Sheriff Keith Nygren announced that on February 23, 2010 at approximately 8:17 A.M. members of the McHenry County Sheriff's Office, Lakewood Police Department, McHenry County Conservation Police, Huntley Fire Protection District, Algonquin/ LITH Fire Protection District, Lakewood Fire Department, Hampshire Fire Department and Woodstock Fire/ Rescue District responded to the intersection of Route 47 and Ballard Road for a multi vehicle personal injury traffic crash.

Preliminary investigation indicates that a 2002 Pontiac Montana was traveling southbound on Route 47 when it struck a 2001 Chevrolet Blazer in the rear. The 2001 Blazer subsequently rolled over and struck a 2003 Chevrolet Equinox which forced the Equinox into a 1998 Jeep Cherokee that was waiting for an unknown vehicle to turn east onto Ballard Road.

The driver of the Montana, Jeremy J. Veugeler, was treated and released at the scene. Drivers of the Chevrolet Blazer and Chevrolet Equinox were transported to Woodstock Memorial Hospital for their injuries. The driver of the Jeep Cherokee was treated and released at the scene.

Two juvenile male occupants of the Montana were transported to Woodstock Memorial for their injuries. The passenger of the Jeep Cherokee was treated and released at the scene.

All subjects were seat belted at the time of the accident and air bags did not deploy as a result of the rear end collisions. Jeremy J. Veugeler was issued a traffic citation for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident.

Pontiac Montana

Driver: Jeremy J. Veugeler 35 YOA Male
248 Mark Court
Woodstock, IL

Passengers: Two Juvenile Males

Chevrolet Equinox

Driver: Jennifer M. Perez 27 YOA Female
613 Fifth Ave.
Marengo, IL

Chevrolet Blazer

Driver: Karyl J. Kandefer 53 YOA Female
3099 Courtland St.
Woodstock, IL

Jeep Cherokee

Driver: Patricia K. Starner 58 YOA Female
7449 Fairmont Lane
Rockford, IL
Passenger: Megahn Colburn 30 YOA Female
3623 Mark Court
Rockford, IL

Keith Nygren, Sheriff

