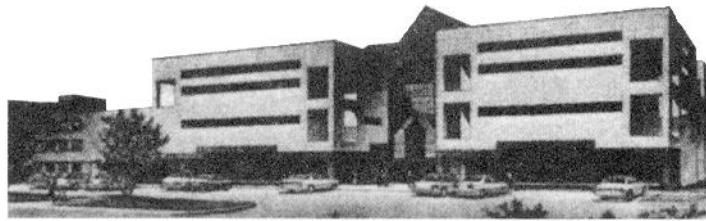


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Vehicle Pursuit Crash Investigation - Updated

On Wednesday, December 20th, 2023, at 11:49 PM a Waukesha County Sheriff's Department Deputy attempted a traffic stop in the area of Prospect Avenue and I-94. The traffic stop was for speeding, and no plates displayed. The vehicle fled from the traffic stop and a motor vehicle pursuit was initiated westbound on Golf Road from Prospect Avenue in the City of Pewaukee.

The suspect vehicle was involved in a single vehicle crash on Golf Road east of Greywood Lane in the Town of Delafield. Two occupants from the suspect vehicle were pronounced deceased on scene. Four other occupants from the vehicle were transported to area hospitals with injuries.

Wisconsin State Statute 175.47 requires that, in the event of the death of an individual that results directly from an action or an omission of a law enforcement officer, the ensuing investigation must be conducted by an investigative team from an independent law enforcement agency. Because two deputies from the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department were directly involved in the motor vehicle pursuit, the Washington County Sheriff's Department and the Wisconsin State Patrol were requested to complete the investigation into the pursuit and subsequent vehicle crash.

Additional assistance was provided on scene by the Village of Hartland Police Department, City of Delafield Police Department, Village of Pewaukee Police Department, Village of Chenequa Police Department, Lake Country Fire and Rescue, Hartland Fire Department, and Flight for Life.

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The driver is a 29-year-old male and had the following occupants with him:

- 29-year-old female, the driver's girlfriend
- 10-year-old male who died at the scene, driver's son
- 10-year-old male who died at the scene, driver's son (not twins)
- 6-year-old female, driver/passenger's daughter
- 14-year-old female, driver's niece
- All six occupants are from Milwaukee

The driver is in critical but stable condition, the adult female is in stable condition, and both girls are in critical condition. All remain hospitalized.

The incident remains under investigation.

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