



NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Newark Police Investigate Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision

Newark Police are investigating a fatal collision which occurred last evening at approximately 10:15pm on Library Avenue (Route 72) just north of Farm Lane.

A preliminary investigation has determined that a 2010 Hyundai Accent, operated by a 75 year old female was travelling southbound on Library Avenue when, for an unknown reason, it crossed the center line and ran head-on into a northbound 2000 Honda Civic, operated by a 24 year old female.

The driver and sole occupant of the 2010 Hyundai Accent has been identified as Dorothy Hershman, of Newark. She was treated at the scene by rescue personnel and transported to Christiana Hospital where she was later pronounced deceased.

The 24 year old female driver and 25 year old female passenger of the 2000 Honda Civic were also treated at the scene and transported to Christiana Hospital. Both sustained serious, but non-life threatening injuries.

Route 72 was closed from Wyoming Road to Route 4 for approximately three hours while traffic investigators were on scene. No charges have been filed at this time and no further information on the collision is available at this time.

The Newark Police Department Traffic Unit continues their investigation into this crash. Anyone who may have witnessed this collision is asked to contact Corporal Wayne Aston at 302-366-7110 ext. 414 or wayne.aston@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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