85-year-old woman dies after being thrown from van

Police report

An 85-year-old Toronto woman died last Tuesday following an accident on Highway 401 near Colborne.

Police say the 1995 Chevrolet Astro van in which Anastasia McIntyre was a passenger was eastbound near Boyce's Bridge around 8:30 a.m. when it began to fishtail on ice, then went into the median and rolled over.

She was thrown from the vehicle, which was demolished.

The victim was taken from the scene by ambulance to Cobourg Hospital, then transferred to Health Sunnybrook Centre, where she died at about 4 p.m. the same day.

401 CLOSED AFTER ACCIDENT

The eastbound lanes of Highway 401 were closed to traffic near Eagleson Rd., last Wednesday after an accident between a tractor-trailer and a sander about 1:15 a.m.

Police say the 1988 Freightliner tractor-trailer, driven by John Koomen, 38, of Port Hope, was eastbound in the driving lane when the driver noticed the Ministry of Transport sander in front of him.

While he was attempting to pass the sander, the two vehicles collided and the sander went into the south ditch and rolled over.

The tractor-trailer jackknifed and went into the south ditch, as well.

The driver of the sander, John Jouwstra of the 28, suffered minimal Cobourg area, was taken to Cobourg Hospital where he was treated and released the same day. Damage to the sander

was rated severe by police. The driver of the tractortrailer was not injured, but the vehicle he was

driving was demolished.

CAR VANDALIZED

The OPP are looking for information on the vandalism of a 1990 Chevrolet Cavalier which was parked at the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 187, between 6 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Jan. 26-27.

The door locks were pried open and the steering column and trunk lock damaged. Contents of the glove compartment were strewn around the vehicle and the dome light was removed. A Citizen portable CD player and one CD were stolen, according to the report.

TRUCK, SNOWPLOW COLLIDE

A truck collided with a snowplow in Haldimand Township Saturday morning at 11:45 a.m.

The 1987 International plow, driven by 38-yearold Gordon Prentice of Grafton, had just completed clearing snow away from the corner of Highway 2 and Brimley Road.

Mr. Prentice was reversing to turn back onto Brimley when a 1981 Chevrolet pickup driven by 23-year-old Douglas Quigley of Port Hope came around the bend and rearended the plow.

Mr. Prentice was uninjured and his plow sustained light damage.

Mr. Quigley's truck was demolished. While he and passenger, Julie Howard,

injuries. There were minor injuries to passengers James Quigley, 3, and Brenda Nelson, 22.

No charges were laid.

FOUR VEHICLES STOLEN

Four vehicle thefts were reported in Haldimand Township during the weekend.

Overnight on Jan. 31-Feb. 1, a residential garage west of Colborne was broken into. A 1991 Yamaha four-wheel all-terrain vehicle was stolen.

Also overnight on Jan. 31-Feb. 1, a 1996 red Skidoo snowmobile was carried away from a residence northeast of Grafton to the road.

A 1985 black Skidoo Formula Plus was stolen between 1:30 and 2 a.m. on Saturday, driven away from beside a residence

northeast of Grafton.

On Saturday, a 1989 Polaris all-terrain vehicle reported stolen from a residence west of Colborne was recovered at 11:57 a.m. It had been hidden in the trees at the public boat launch at Wicklow Beach.

IMPAIRED-DRIVING CHARGE

On Sunday at 3 a.m., a 1986 Ford pickup truck failed to stop in the village of Colborne when directed

to do so by Cobourg OPP.

The vehicle was followed at speeds of 50- to 60 km/h on the village's streets for about five minutes. The vehicle stopped and the driver, a 39-yearold Cramahe Township man, was arrested and charged with impaired driving and operating a vehicle with a blood-alcohol concentration greater than .08 mg.

His licence was automatically suspended for 90 days, and he will appear

in Cobourg court Feb. 17.

CD PLAYER STOLEN

A CD player, some CDs and a bag of hockey equipment were stolen from a vehicle in Colborne Monday, Cobourg OPP reports.

The owner of the vehicle noticed that his vehicle had been broken into at about 11 a.m. while it was parked in his driveway. He found that the vehicle's trunk and door locks were damaged.

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