Troopers Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash – Milford

Milford – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash involving a pedestrian that occurred at approximately 6:06 p.m., Friday, November 29, 2019 on DuPont Blvd. (US 113) just south of Airport Rd., Milford.

The initial investigation has determined that a 1994 Chrysler LHS, operated by an 80 year old Seaford man, was traveling southbound on DuPont Blvd. in the left lane, just south of Airport Rd. A pedestrian, identified as 52 year old George A. Burton of Milford, was attempting to cross DuPont Blvd. and walked directly into the path of the Chrysler. The driver attempted to brake, but could not avoid striking the pedestrian, who was thrown onto the hood of the vehicle and then onto the pavement in left lane of travel. The pedestrian was then struck by two additional vehicles, which did not remain on scene. The Chrysler came to a controlled stop and remained on scene.

The investigation determined that the pedestrian was not wearing any reflective clothing, not carrying a light, and not utilizing a crosswalk. The area where he was attempting to cross has no overhead street lighting.

The victim was initially transported to Bayhealth Milford before being transferred to Christiana Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Impairment on his behalf is undetermined at this time.

The driver of the Chrysler who was properly restrained, was also transported to Bayhealth Milford where he was treated for minor injuries. Impairment on his behalf is not deemed a contributing factor in the crash.

DuPont Blvd. was closed for approximately 4 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The Troop 3 Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate on behalf of the Milford Police Department and anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Sgt. J. Wheatley by calling (302) 698-8518.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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