



Press Release

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WHAT: Auto v. Pedestrian Injury Accident

WHERE: California / North of Hathway

WHEN: February 21, 2010 at 12:27 AM

Driver: Anthony Micheal Colicchio, 21 yrs, Resident of San Luis Obispo

Pedestrian: Madeline Mezger, 19 yrs, Resident of Hawthorne

On 02/21/10 the San Luis Obispo Police Department, along with San Luis Obispo Fire Department respond to an injury traffic collision involving a vehicle vs. pedestrian.

The accident occurred at approximately 12:25 AM on California, just north of Hathway. The collision was called in as a vehicle v. pedestrian. It appears the 21 year old driver, of a 2009 Nissan Cube, was traveling northbound on California approaching Foothill. The 19 year old female was crossing California eastbound from the railroad tracks with a group of friends. As the vehicle approached Mezger stopped in the middle of the street, on the double yellow lines. Mezger was wearing black clothing and was not seen by the driver until she was approximately three feet in front of the vehicle. Mezger was struck by the front driver's side bumper of the Nissan Cube. After the collision the driver of the Nissan came to an immediate stop and Mezger was found unconscious in the middle of California.

The 19 year old female was transported by ambulance to Sierra Vista Hospital with unknown serious injuries.

During their initial investigation, officers determined that Colicchio was not under the influence and alcohol was not a factor in his driving.

The cause of the accidents is still under investigation.

Any further questions should be referred to the Press Information Officer. Anonymous information may be referred to Crime Stopper @ (805) 549-STOP

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