



Newport Police Department

169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

NPD MEDIA RELEASE

08/05/2011 6:00 a.m.

Incident: Vehicle Hits Pedestrians **Case #: 11N-01348**

Location: Intersection of SW Bay Blvd and SW Hatfield St.

Date/Time: 08/05/2011 at 5:30 a.m.

Victims: Adult Husband and Wife

Vehicle Driver: Donald Miles, age 84 of Newport

Details: On 08/05/2011 at 5:30 a.m., Newport Police Officers responded to a report of a traffic crash at the corner of SW Bay Blvd and SW Hatfield Street involving a vehicle and two pedestrians.

Upon arrival Officers discovered that a husband and wife, attempting to cross the street, stepped from between two parked cars and in front of a west-bound pick-up driven by Donald Miles. Although Miles' vehicle did not appear to be traveling at a high rate of speed, darkness and limited visibility hindered Miles' ability to avoid hitting the couple.

Both the husband and wife were transported to Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital with serious injuries. At the time of this press release, the husband had been transferred to Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis with internal and head injuries.

The Newport Police Department would like to remind drivers and pedestrians that Bay Blvd is a working bay front with multiple vehicle and pedestrian interactions. Drivers should be alert for possible problem areas, and pedestrians should use designated crossing areas. Anyone with information regarding this event is encouraged to contact Officer Auburn at 541-574-3348.

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