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Date: February 23, 2012  
Case No. 12-2491

On February 23, 2012 at 5:30 p.m., emergency responders from the Portage Department of Public Safety responded to a two-car personal injury accident at the intersection of Sprinkle Road and Winthrop Avenue. Portage Police personnel, with the assistance of the Kalamazoo County Sheriff’s Department, determined that a 1988 Dodge Dakota was driving south on Sprinkle Road and stopped in the center turn lane to turn east onto Winthrop Avenue. The 54-year-old Portage resident, who was the driver and only occupant of the Dodge Dakota, turned left, failing to yield to the second vehicle. The second vehicle, a 2000 Dodge Neon, driven by a 20-year-old Galesburg resident, was traveling north on Sprinkle Road. The Dodge Neon had three additional passengers in the vehicle at the time of the accident.

Portage Fire personnel and paramedics with Pride Care Ambulance evaluated and treated all five individuals involved in the accident. All parties were transported to either Borgess or Bronson Hospital for the treatment of minor injuries.

Anyone who witnessed the accident is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, [www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com](http://www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com).

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