



## NEWS RELEASE

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Case No. 14-9208

On June 1, 2014, at approximately 11:23 a.m., Portage Police and Fire units were dispatched to a three-car injury accident at the intersection of S. Westnedge and I-94. The preliminary investigation indicates that a Chevrolet Corvette, driven by a 42-year-old Richland man, was exiting eastbound I-94 at S. Westnedge when the driver may have suffered a medical emergency and lost consciousness. The vehicle then continued off the ramp, crossing several lanes of S. Westnedge, and struck two vehicles that were stopped at the traffic light northbound on S. Westnedge.

Those vehicles included a Suzuki passenger car driven by a 60-year-old woman and her 59-year-old husband, who was the passenger, both of Portage. Both occupants suffered serious injuries and were transported to Borgess Hospital. The second vehicle struck was a Mercury SUV driven by a 45-year-old Kalamazoo woman, who sustained minor injuries and was treated and released at the scene. The driver of the Corvette also sustained minor injuries and was treated and released at the scene.

The preliminary investigation indicates that neither speed nor alcohol were a factor in the crash. The crash remains under investigation.

Anyone with information 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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