Press Release

Stolen vehicle pursuit and crash update

Solon OH, December 6, 2021, 1:45 pm: We are providing an update regarding a vehicle pursuit and crash that occurred involving a stolen vehicle last Friday, Dec. 3.

A female passenger in a vehicle struck by the suspect vehicle passed away late Friday evening. The Solon Police Department and entire Solon Community express our sincere condolences to her family and friends.

An officer on patrol observed a blue Ford Fusion sedan traveling eastbound on Solon Road from Erico Drive. The vehicle was entered in a police database as a stolen vehicle, taken at gunpoint from Cleveland on Dec. 2. The officer attempted to stop the vehicle, but it fled eastbound on Solon Road. Pursuit continued into the Village of Bentleyville and Chagrin Falls before the Solon officer lost sight of the suspect vehicle and terminated his pursuit. The stolen vehicle then returned to the city of Solon westbound on Solon Road after being pursued by a neighboring police agency. A Solon officer deployed Stop Sticks. The suspect vehicle lost control and caused a crash with two other vehicles.

Two suspects, a 19 year-old Berea man and a 20 year-old Cleveland man were taken to area hospitals for injuries believed to be non-life threatening. The drivers of the other vehicles involved in the crash were taken to area hospitals for treatment of what are believed to be non-life threatening injuries. No police officers were injured. Investigation is on-going. Criminal charges are pending.