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MEDIA RELEASE

Golf Cart Crash in Unincorporated Antioch with Serious Injuries

On July 4, 2019, at approximately 7:45PM, Lake County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to the area of North Drexel Boulevard and Lotus Avenue, Unincorporated Antioch, for a traffic crash with injuries involving a golf cart.

Sheriff's Deputies arrived and found several juveniles with serious injuries.

Preliminary investigation shows a custom golf cart, driven by a 17-year-old male of Lake Barrington, was traveling northbound on North Drexel Boulevard, driving toward Grass Lake Road. The golf cart is designed to seat six people, however, there were seven individuals in/on the golf cart, including one standing on the back-bumper area.

As the driver approached Grass Lake Road, he made a sharp turn, causing the golf cart to roll. All seven occupants were ejected from the golf cart.

The passengers consisted of the following:

- 11-year-old male of Algonquin
- 13-year-old female of Algonquin
- 13-year-old female of Huntley
- 15-year-old female of Huntley
- 16-year-old female of Algonquin
- 26-year-old male of Algonquin

The driver was examined by paramedics at the scene, however, was not transported to the hospital. The six passengers were transported via ambulance to Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville with non-life-threatening injuries. Two of the passengers sustained serious injuries as a result of the crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit.

Sheriff John Idleburg said, “While it can be fun and exciting to ride in golf carts or other non-traditional vehicles, it can also be extremely dangerous. It is very fortunate this crash did not result in the tragic loss of life. This incident serves as a stark reminder to parents and others to always be extremely cautious when allowing children to operate non-traditional vehicles. Traffic laws must also always be adhered to.”

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