

Drug Paraphernalia Found in At-Fault Vehicle in Crash Outside Spring Ridge Middle School

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A firefighter removes the door on a vehicle as crews worked to remove the drivers

-- The Bay Net photos by Sean Rice

The St. Mary's Sheriff's Office has issued details on the three-vehicle crash that occurred on Rt. 235 near Spring Ridge Middle School at 8:46 a.m. March 9.

Police say Terry L. O'Neil III, 24, of no fixed address, was heading south on 235 in a Mazda MPV when he crossed the centerline into the path of a Chevy Astrovan driven by Dana L. Holt, 25, of Lexington Park.

Holt swerved to avoid the collision but was struck in the driver's side and the van rolled over and came to rest on its side on the side of the road.

Holt received non-life threatening injuries and was treated and released at St. Mary's Hospital.

O'Neil's Mazda continued south in the northbound lane and struck head-on a Buick LeSabre driven by Barbara C. Shuebrooks, 46 of Scotland, Md.

This caused serious life threatening injuries to Ms. Shuebrooks and she was flown to the UM Shock Trauma unit in Baltimore. She is currently in serious but stable condition.

O'Neil received non-life threatening injuries to his legs and was flown to Prince Georges Trauma Center.

Police say there is a strong indication that the driver of the Mazda fell asleep just prior to the collision.

Controlled Dangerous Substance Paraphernalia was found in the Mazda during the investigation and charges are pending against O'Neil after test results return from the MSP crime lab.

No other occupants were in the vehicles and everyone was wearing seatbelts. Currently charges are pending completion of the investigation.

A witness on the scene told The Bay Net that he and other citizens helped the Holt out of her van by pulling back the windshield so she could escape.

Rescue workers worked for 43 minutes to remove the other two drivers from the crumpled vehicles.

Crews were still on the scene for several hours after the crash, investigating and clearing the wreckage.

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