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## Gurnee Fatal Traffic Crash

**Gurnee** – On December 30, 2021, at approximately 11:30 PM, Gurnee Police responded to the area of Tri State Parkway and Centerpoint Court for a vehicle crash with injuries. Gurnee officers arrived and located a 2005 blue Chevrolet Monte Carlo with extensive damage after striking a pole.

The initial investigation indicates the driver, a 45-year-old woman of Waukegan, Illinois, and front-seat passenger, a 51-year-old male of Waukegan, Illinois, were traveling southbound on Tri State Parkway. Witness accounts reported the blue Monte Carlo was traveling at a high rate of speed and passing vehicles just before the crash. The Monte Carlo presumably lost control and collided with a pole near the intersection of Tri State Parkway and Centerpoint Court. Investigators are still trying to determine if additional vehicles were involved in the crash.

When Gurnee officers arrived on the scene, the female driver was unresponsive and trapped inside the vehicle. The Gurnee Fire Department arrived to extract the driver and begin lifesaving efforts. She was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center and was later pronounced deceased.

The male passenger had minor injuries and was able to exit the vehicle without assistance. He was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center for his injuries.

Investigators with the Major Crash Assistance Team (MCAT) responded to the scene and aided with the crash investigation. An autopsy will be scheduled with the Lake County Coroner's Office.

This crash remains under investigation by Gurnee Police.