

Two injured in Century Drive crash

by Cheryl McDermott

A Bend driver reportedly speeding on the snowy, icy and slick road conditions of Century Drive hit an SUV as it was making a left turn Sunday afternoon, resulting in injuries that sent two people to the hospital and causing significant damage to both vehicles, deputies reported.

Traffic was heavy on Century Drive as skiers were returning to Bend from Mt. Bachelor, Deschutes County Sheriff's Sgt. Vance Lawrence said, and Adam Spangler, 23, was apparently driving too fast for road conditions about 4:10 p.m., January 20, when his 1998 Audi A4 sedan struck the Chevrolet Suburban.

The SUV, driven by 30-year old Bend resident Oliver Bates-Minou, was traveling in the opposite direction and was making a left turn onto Forest Road 45 toward Sunriver when Spangler's car slammed into its right side behind the rear passenger door, the sergeant said.

Two of the six occupants in the Suburban were injured. Five-year-old Julie Colina of Gladstone was transported by ambulance to St. Charles Medical Center (SCMC) in Bend with reportedly non-life threatening injuries, and 28-year old Katherine Graham of Bend was taken to the hospital by a private vehicle for treatment of minor injuries.

Spangler and his passenger, 14-year-old Lee McMillan; Bates-Minou and his remaining passengers, Christopher Freeman, 29, Janessa Colina, 30, and 8-year-old Joseph Colina, all of Gladstone; were uninjured.

“Both vehicles sustained significant damage and had to be towed from the scene,” Lawrence said, adding that further investigation is pending.

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