

Bend man arrested for DUII in three-vehicle crash

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BEND, Ore. -â€“ A 27-year old Bend man driving with a suspended license and without insurance was arrested for suspicion of driving under the influence of intoxicants late Monday morning after his pickup slammed into traffic stopped at a red light on the Bend Parkway, police reported.

Joseph Michael Robbins â€“ DCJ photo Robbinsâ€™ pickup slammed into a car on the Bend Parkway causing a chain reaction with a third vehicle involved â€“ BPD photo About 11:48 a.m., February 23, Joseph Michael Robbinsâ€™ 2004 Chevrolet pickup was traveling south on the Bend Parkway near Powers Road when it crashed into the rear of a vehicle driven by Alice F. Wilson, 59, Bend Police Sgt. Ron Taylor said. In a chain reaction, the severe impact pushed Wilsonâ€™s vehicle into another vehicle causing Wilsonâ€™s airbags to deploy. The third driver was identified as David H. Meier, 67.

Wilson suffered minor facial lacerations and abrasions but wasnâ€™t transported to the hospital by ambulance, Taylor said. Her vehicle was not drivable following the crash and was towed from the scene.

Robbins was cited for fourth-degree assault and reckless driving, and was lodged in the Deschutes County Jail for DUII after he was evaluated at St. Charles Medical Center. His pickup was impounded, the sergeant said.

According to the news release, one of the southbound lanes of the Parkway was closed for about an hour during emergency response and accident investigation.

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