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Victim of Fatal Crash Involving Stolen Vehicle Identified

Town of Onondaga, New York- The Onondaga County Sheriff's Office continues to investigate yesterday's fatal crash on East Seneca Turnpike in the Valley that involved a stolen vehicle from an occupied residential burglary in the Town of Onondaga.

On Tuesday, October 4th, at approximately 11:56 P.M., deputies responded to the 5000 block of Majors Drive in the Town of Onondaga for a residential burglary alarm activation. Upon arrival, deputies discovered an open door along with the resident inside. During the investigation, deputies determined that the suspect(s) had fled from the area. While conducting a neighborhood canvass of the area, deputies located a vehicle parked on the street that was recently reported stolen from the Skaneateles area. With the assistance from a Syracuse Police K9 and Air1, deputies began searching the area for the suspect(s). At approximately 12:45 A.M., while searching the area, two vehicles were observed fleeing from the area at a high rate of speed. Deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicles as they fled eastbound on West Seneca Turnpike towards the Valley. Both operators failed to comply and continued to elude deputies.

As the vehicles approached South Salina Street, one vehicle continued eastbound onto East Seneca Turnpike while the other vehicle fled south on South Salina Street. Upon deputies approaching the 300 block of East Seneca Turnpike, they could no longer see the vehicle. As deputies checked the area, they observed that the vehicle had left the roadway, struck a tree, and rolled over several times. Deputies located the sole occupant, later identified as 16-year-old Sean Girvin of Syracuse, who had been ejected from the vehicle. Deputies initiated life saving measures, but despite their efforts, Girvin was pronounced deceased at the scene by paramedics.

The second vehicle eventually entered the Onondaga Nation where Air1 kept a visual on it with the utilization of the helicopters Nightsun light source. The vehicle eventually became disabled at the dead end of Maybee Road where the two occupants fled on foot. One occupant was quickly apprehended and later identified as a 14-year-old juvenile male. The second occupant was not located. Deputies further learned that the two vehicles had just been stolen in another occupied residential burglary in the 4500 block of Broad Road.

Detectives charged the 14-year-old male with burglary in the 2nd degree, attempted burglary in the 2nd and 3rd degree, and grand larceny in the 4th degree. He was arraigned yesterday in Onondaga County Family Court and remanded to the Hillbrook Juvenile Detention Center.

This investigation remains active and ongoing at this time.

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