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FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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TRAFFIC HOMICIDE

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a traffic crash fatality that occurred in the 2100 block of Northeast 65 Street on Sunday, May 11, 2008 at approximately 8:3 PM.

According to the preliminary investigation, three pedestrians were walking east in the roadway of Northeast 65 Street. A 1996 Dodge driven by Steven Kopson, W/M, 02-28-1955, a Fort Lauderdale resident, approached the pedestrians from the rear. Kopson struck a garbage receptacle, two of the three pedestrians, and a parked vehicle located on the swale. After striking the parked vehicle, Kopson lost control of his vehicle and struck a palm tree on the north side of the roadway.

The first pedestrian, who was pronounced deceased at the scene, has been identified as Kathleen Gosnell, W/F, 01-02-48, a Fort Lauderdale resident. The second pedestrian has been identified as Raymond Haruben, W/M, 05-24-1944. Haruben was trauma alerted to North Broward Medical Center where he is currently listed in critical condition.

A DUI investigation was initiated on the Kopson. This crash remains under investigation.

Anyone with information or who may have witnessed this traffic crash is encouraged to contact Traffic Homicide Investigator Cheri Creque at 954-828-5825 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



Steven Kopson



Kathleen Gosnell



Raymond Haruben

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