

City of Beverly Hills  
NEWS RELEASE  
December 4, 2006  
Fatal Traffic Accident Involving Lane Garrison

On Saturday, December 2, 2006, at approximately 11:52 p.m., Beverly Hills police officers responded to a radio call of an "unknown injury traffic accident" on Beverly Drive, north of Olympic Boulevard. Within a minute, officers arrived on scene to discover that a solo vehicle had struck a tree. The driver and right front passenger had been assisted from the wreckage by passing citizens, while the two rear passengers had to be extricated from the vehicle by Beverly Hills Fire Department personnel.

Traffic investigators have determined the 2001 Land Rover was driven by 26-year-old Lane Garrison. The vehicle traveled northbound on Beverwil Drive across Olympic Boulevard. Shortly after crossing Olympic Boulevard, the vehicle struck the center median, lost control and ultimately impacted a tree in the area of 350 S. Beverly Drive. There were no other vehicles involved in the accident.

The three passengers in the vehicle (all juveniles) were transported by Beverly Hills Fire Department paramedics to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, where the 17-year-old male juvenile succumbed to his injuries. Of the two remaining 15-year-old passengers, one has been released while the second remains hospitalized in serious condition. Mr. Garrison was transported to Century City Hospital for treatment of his injuries. Mr. Garrison displayed symptoms of alcohol intoxication, and the investigation into Mr. Garrison's impairment is ongoing. In addition to noting Mr. Garrison's symptoms, investigators also removed alcohol containers from the SUV, which was registered to Mr. Garrison.

Beverly Drive remained closed for approximately four hours, between Gregory Way and Olympic Boulevard, while the initial investigation was conducted. Beverly Drive was re-opened to traffic at approximately 4:15 a.m.