



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE  
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: 02/18/18  
Complaint Number: 18-108094  
Type of Incident: Fatal Accident  
Reporting Officer: Deputy Robert Feenstra  
Supervisor Approval: Sgt. Pete Gerkin

On 2/18/18 at 0821 hours, the Kent County Sheriff's Office responded when a passerby noticed what they believed to be an unoccupied vehicle in the ditch on Fruit Ridge Ave north of 5 Mile Rd in Alpine Township. Deputies arrived to find the driver deceased inside the vehicle. The investigation revealed the vehicle was travelling northbound in the curve, left the roadway and struck a tree. The accident is believed to have occurred during the early morning hours but was difficult for anyone to see from the roadway.

The driver, 21 year old Nathan Beach-Stevens, was from Kent City and was driving a 2006 Chevy Impala. Assisting on the scene was Alpine Fire and Life Ambulance.

The driver was not belted and alcohol is believed to be a factor. The accident is still under investigation.

Next of kin has been notified and the name may be released.