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ADDITIONAL CORRECTION

The driver of the Ford F150 was 17 years of age, not sixteen as originally reported. Also, he had a valid instructional permit, not a driver's license.

CORRECTION & UPDATE

Preliminary investigation by detectives indicates the Ford F150, being driven by the 16 year old and occupied by the fatality victim (correction from initial news release below), was traveling northbound on 27th Avenue NE. The truck wandered to the right, then appears to have over-corrected and swerved into the southbound lane of 27th Avenue NE. The Ford truck veered into the path of the Dodge Ram truck, which impacted the passenger's side of the Ford truck. All occupants in both vehicles were wearing seat belts at the time of the collision. It's unknown what caused the Ford truck to initially wander to the right, however speed does not appear to be a factor in the collision. Both vehicle operators were valid, licensed drivers at the time of the collision.

Fatality Accident Investigation

On December 23, 2011 at approximately 3:27pm, Sheriff's Office deputies responded to the 10400 block of 27th Avenue NE, Marysville regarding a traffic collision. Upon arrival, deputies discovered an older Ford pick-up truck and a newer Dodge pick-up truck had collided head-on. The driver of the Dodge truck, a 16 year old male, was transported to a local hospital with what appear to be non-life threatening injuries. His passenger, a 50 year old male, was pronounced deceased at the scene of the collision. The driver of the Ford truck, a 57 year old male, was also transported to a local hospital with what appear to be non-life threatening injuries.

The Sheriff's Office Collision Investigation Unit was called to the scene to conduct the investigation. No information is available regarding possible causes of the collision. The identity of the deceased male will be made by the Medical Examiner's Office.

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