

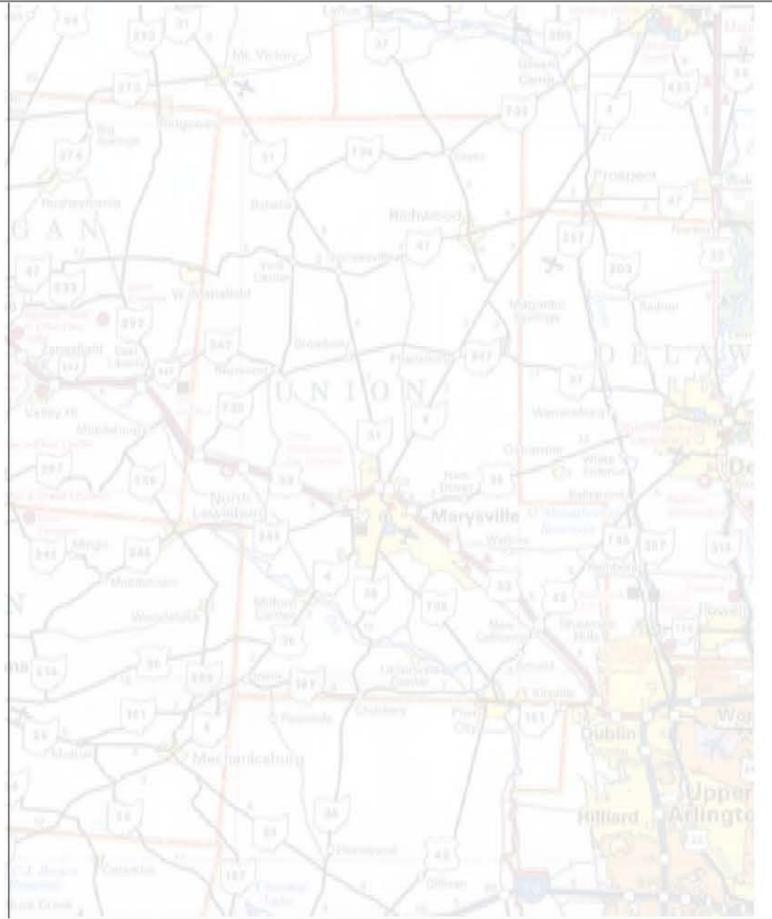
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As a member of the motoring public, you can help save lives by reporting unsafe and aggressive drivers to law enforcement. If you see a disabled vehicle or an unsafe driver; please call the Patrol (1-877-7PATROL) or local law enforcement for assistance.

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HELP US PREVENT TRAGEDIES

Ohio State Troopers from the Marysville Patrol Post need your help. Speed and failure to wear a seat belt continue to be major contributing factors in the fatal, and injury crashes investigated within Union, Logan, and Champaign counties.

Always wear your seat belt and obey all traffic laws. If you drink don't drive, and if you are going to drink have a designated driver.

To report impaired driver's or assistance while on the road please call **1-877-7PATROL**.

For additional information please call the Marysville patrol post at **(937) 644-8811** or **(937) 593-2075**.

Impaired driving continues to be a serious problem for our teens. Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death for 15 to 20 year olds. Last year, of the 326 Ohio drivers aged 16 to 25 who were killed in traffic crashes, almost 24 percent were impaired at the time of their death.

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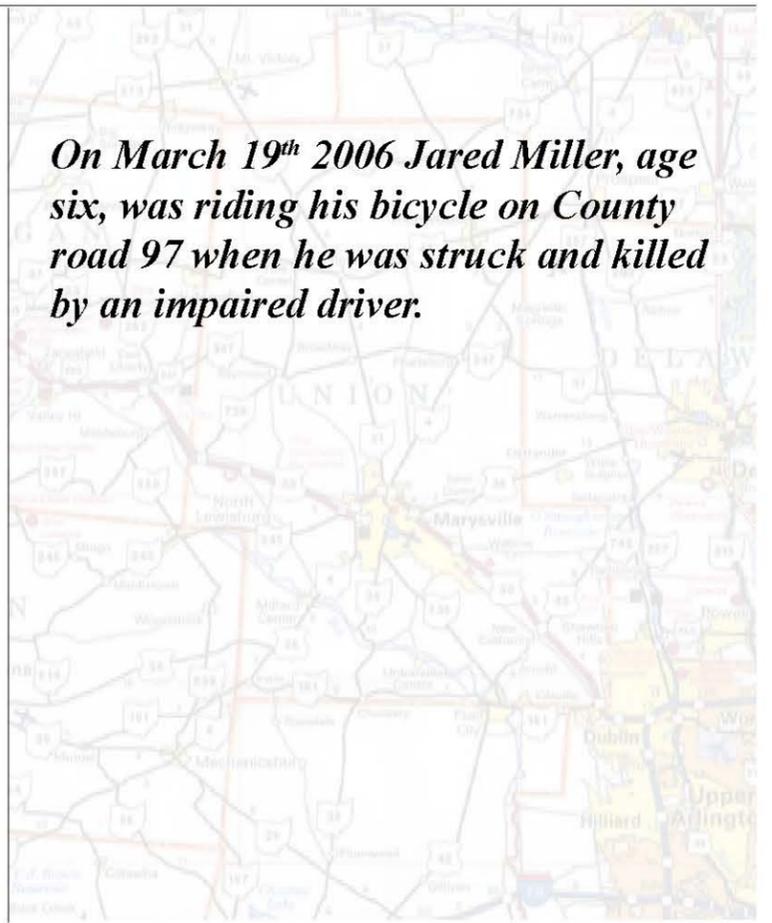




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On March 19th 2006 Jared Miller, age six, was riding his bicycle on County road 97 when he was struck and killed by an impaired driver.



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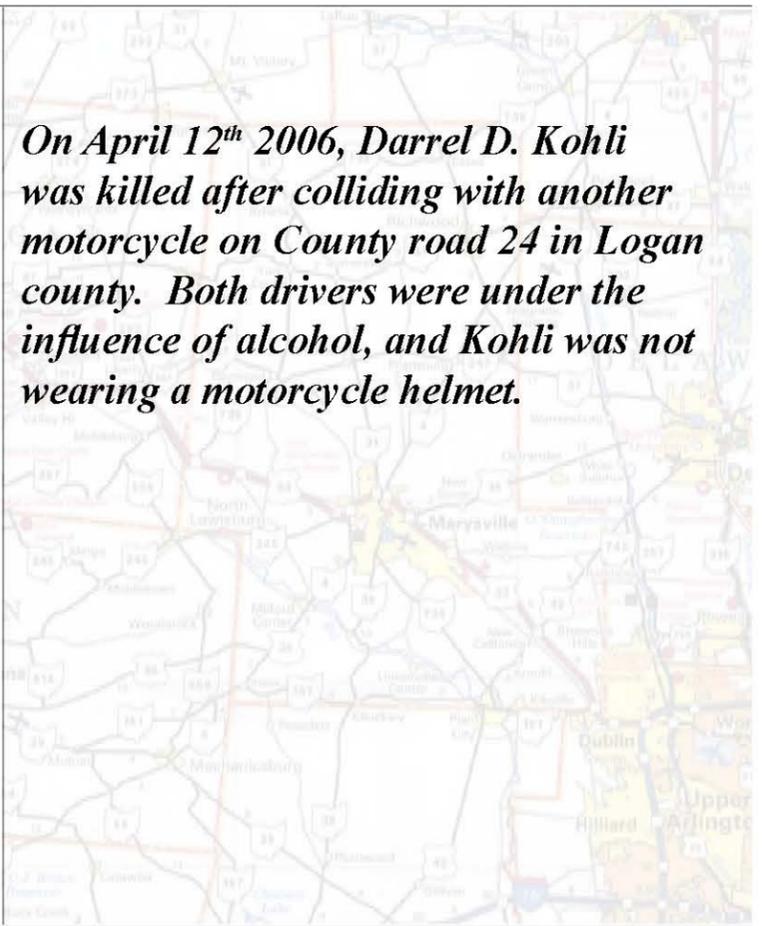
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On April 12th 2006, Darrel D. Kohli was killed after colliding with another motorcycle on County road 24 in Logan county. Both drivers were under the influence of alcohol, and Kohli was not wearing a motorcycle helmet.



Alcohol greatly increases the chance of a motorcycle crash resulting in injury or death. Fifteen percent of all alcohol-related motorcycle crashes resulted in death and 76% in serious injury over the past five years.

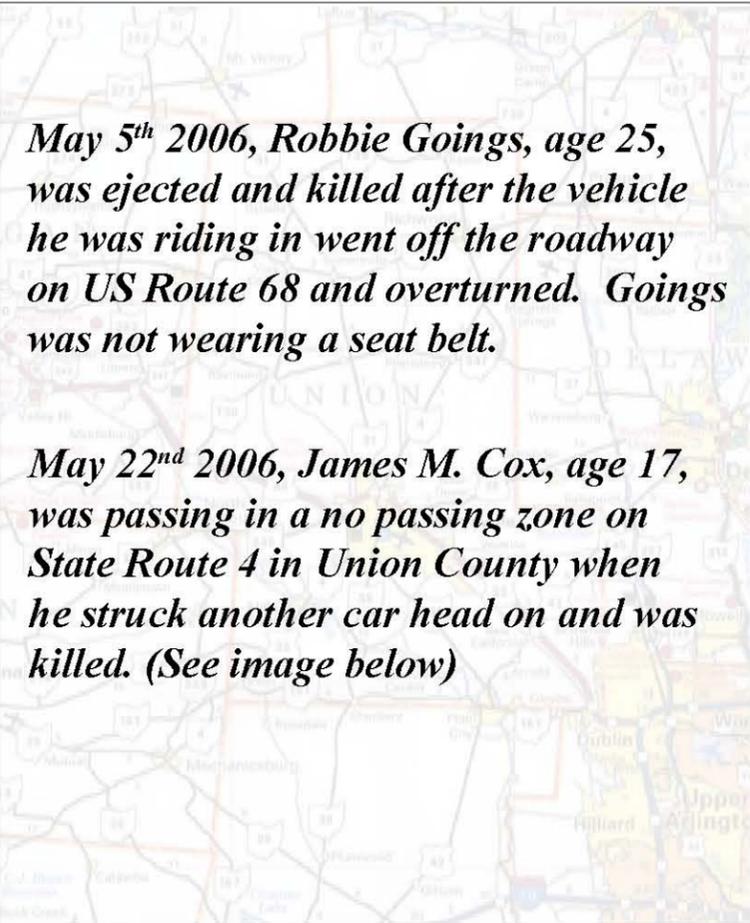
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Nearly three out of four fatal rollovers occur on a rural road with a posted speed limit of 55 mph and, about 40% of fatal rollovers are attributed to speeding.

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June 6th 2006, Timothy Kelly, age 24, was speeding and under the influence of alcohol, when he lost control of his vehicle on State Route 559 in Champaign County. He drove off the road and struck a utility pole. He was not wearing a seatbelt and was killed. (See image below)

June 23rd 2006, Jack A. Severance, age 48, was stopped in traffic on US Route 42 in Union County. He was killed when a commercial tractor trailer struck his vehicle from behind.

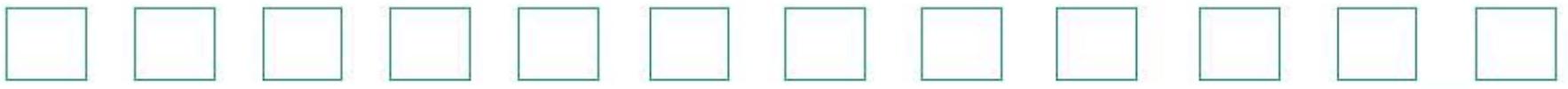
June 25th 2006, Jamie Vanhooose, age 29, was killed after losing control of his vehicle on Purk road in Champaign County. He was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected after striking a ditch.

According to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Ohio averages 151 fatal crashes resulting in 175 deaths each year involving large trucks weighing more than 10,000 pounds.

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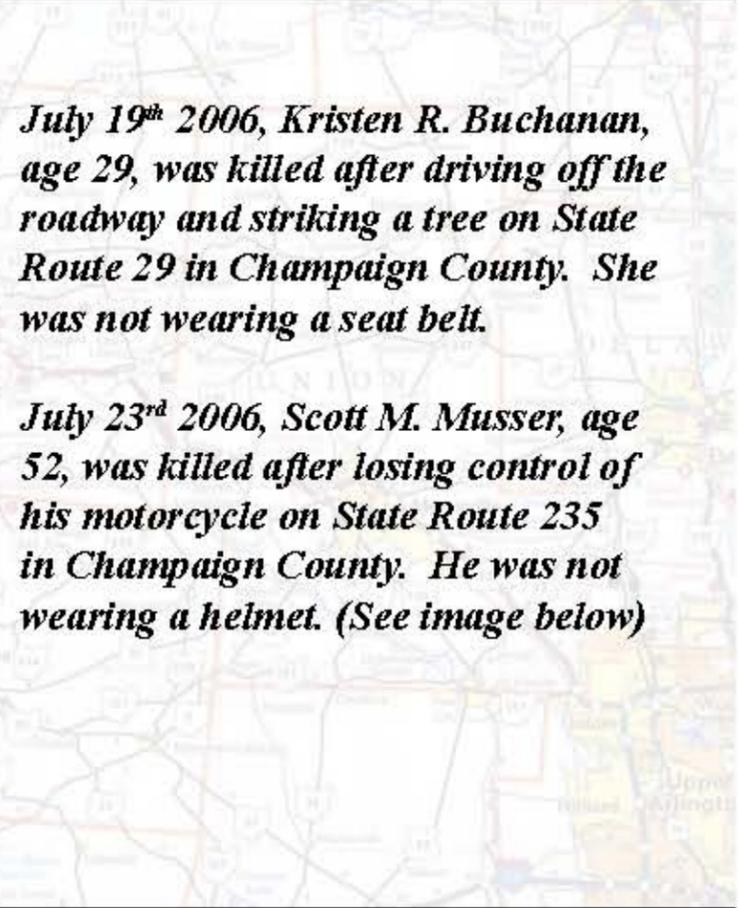




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July 19th 2006, Kristen R. Buchanan, age 29, was killed after driving off the roadway and striking a tree on State Route 29 in Champaign County. She was not wearing a seat belt.

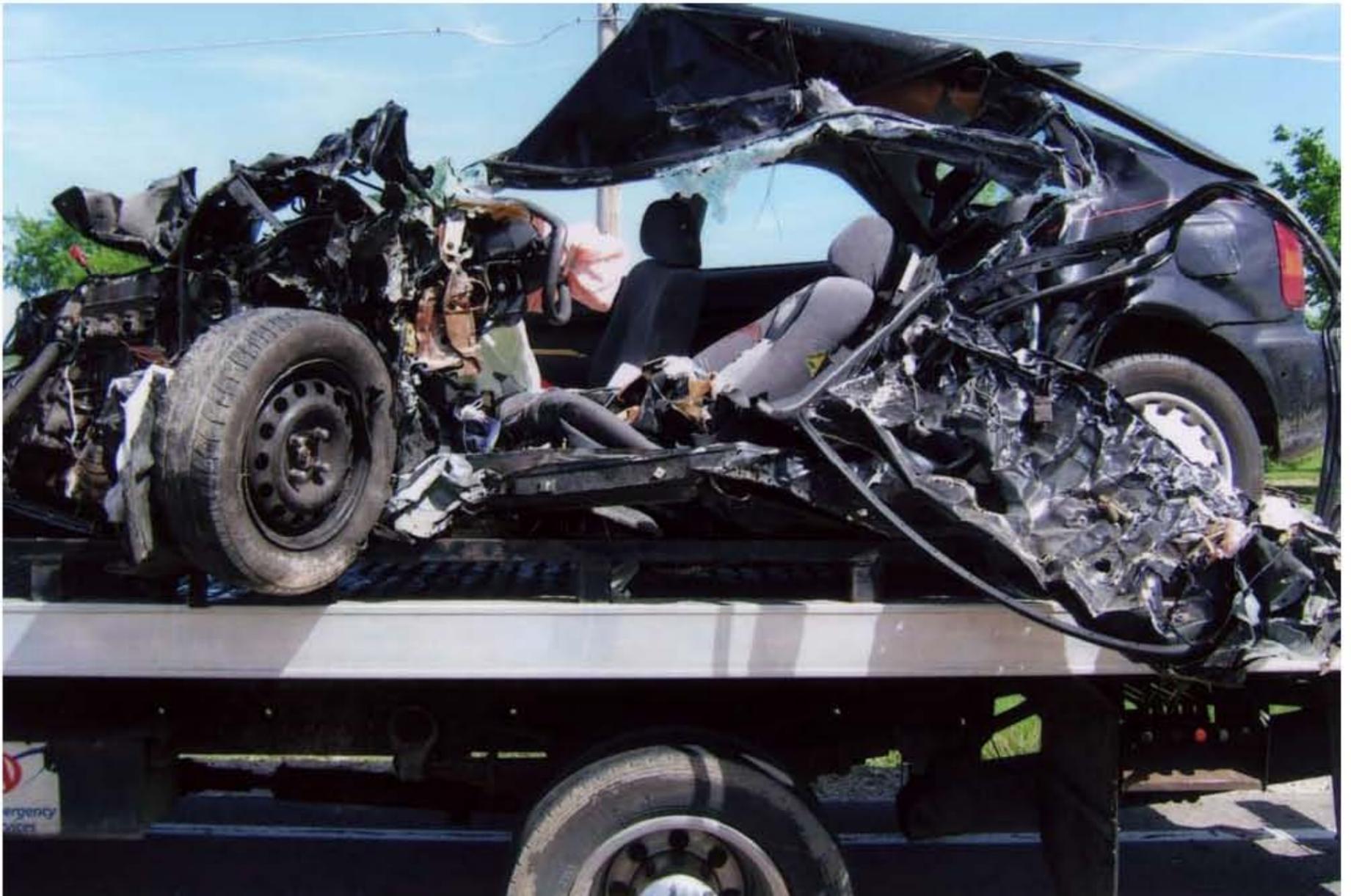
July 23rd 2006, Scott M. Musser, age 52, was killed after losing control of his motorcycle on State Route 235 in Champaign County. He was not wearing a helmet. (See image below)



On average, 80% of all motorcyclists killed are between the ages of 21 and 55. Motorcyclists with the highest incidence of alcohol related crashes are 36 to 45 years of age.

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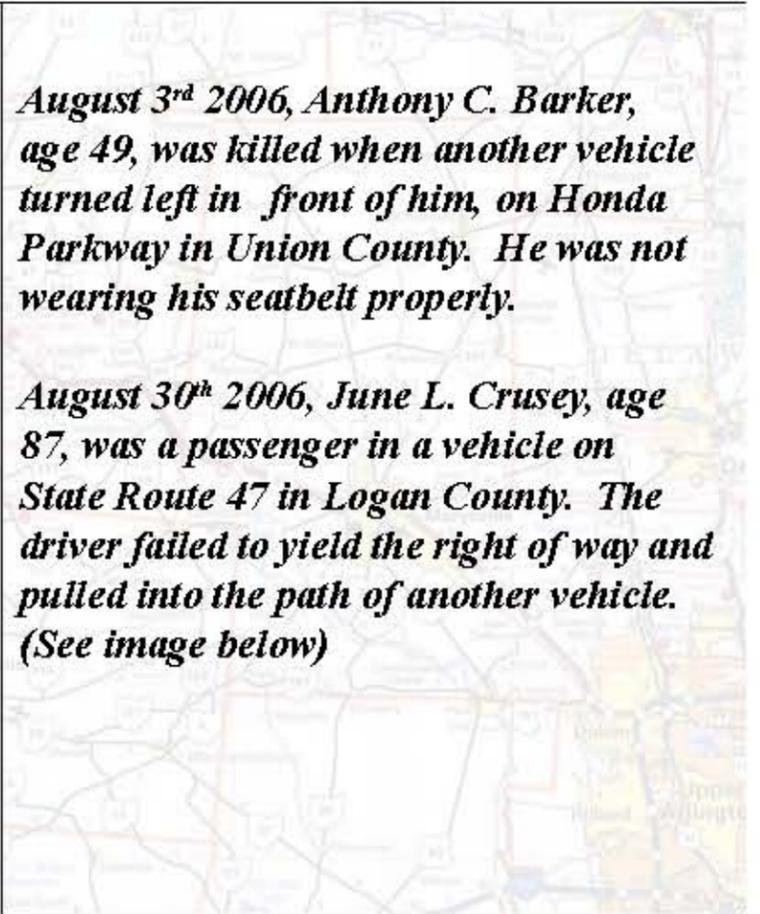




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August 3rd 2006, Anthony C. Barker, age 49, was killed when another vehicle turned left in front of him, on Honda Parkway in Union County. He was not wearing his seatbelt properly.

August 30th 2006, June L. Crusey, age 87, was a passenger in a vehicle on State Route 47 in Logan County. The driver failed to yield the right of way and pulled into the path of another vehicle. (See image below)

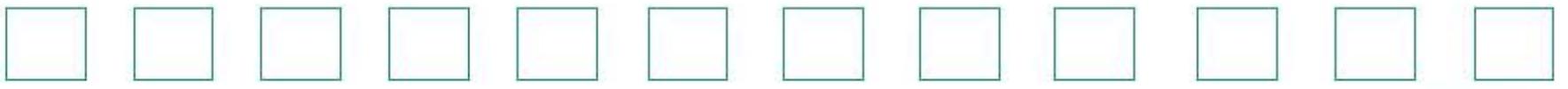


Aggressive driving contributed to over 2,808 fatal crashes between 2001 and 2005. Failure to yield the right of way was the most common offense leading to fatal crashes.

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September 6th 2006, Dorris Chambers, age 76, was killed when another vehicle drove left of center on County Road 130 in Logan County and struck her vehicle head on.

September 16th 2006, County Road 153 Logan County, Lindsay A. Geboy, age 23, was west bound on County Road 153 in Logan County. Geboy lost control of her car, went off the left side of the roadway, struck a ditch and overturned. She was not wearing a seatbelt. (See image below)

30 Over the past three Labor day holidays, Ohio traffic crashes have resulted in 54 deaths and over 3,300 injuries. Nearly half were alcohol related.

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October 3rd 2006, Michael D. Titus, age 49, lost control of his motorcycle and struck a ditch on State Route 55 in Champaign County. He was ejected and his blood alcohol was twice the legal limit.

October 7th 2006, Charles E. Troesch, age 79, ran a stop sign on County Road 57 in Union County. He was ejected and killed after pulling in front of another vehicle.

October 27th 2006, Eva E. Watkins, age 88, was killed on State Route 814 in Champaign County. She turned left in front of another vehicle failing to yield the right of way. (See image below)

The National Highway Traffic Safety Association estimates that driver distraction is a contributing cause of 20 to 30% of all motor vehicle crashes.

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November 5th 2006, Gary R. Lane, age 60, was west bound on Township road 141 in Champaign County and struck a deer on his motorcycle. He was not wearing a helmet and was ejected and killed.

November 9th 2006, Harold Boysel Jr., age 48, struck a deer on US route 68 in Logan County and was ejected onto the roadway from his motorcycle, he was then struck and killed by a semi tractor trailer.

November 26th 2006, Emily L. Propst, age 20, was north bound on County Road 10 in Champaign County drove left of center striking another vehicle and was killed. Her BAC was three times the legal limit.

November 27th 2006, David A. Hanes, age 47, was north bound on Township Road 28 in Champaign County when he failed to yield at a railroad crossing and was struck and killed by a train. (See image below)

Nearly 45% of crashes during the Thanksgiving holiday are alcohol related.

november

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Letter from the Marysville Post Commander

As we look forward to the New Year, we have a lot to be thankful for. We must not forget, however, that with the passing of 2006 far too many lives were lost throughout Ohio due to traffic crashes. For all that travel daily in an automobile, it remains one of the most likely places we will be seriously injured or killed. Therefore, I would like to remind you of the real importance of traffic safety and the critical role you have in helping us keep our roadways as safe as possible.

Troopers throughout the state and locally have been dedicated to a mission of reducing injuries and fatalities that result from vehicle crashes. But all too frequently, our troopers, local law enforcement, and medics still see first hand, the death and severe injury caused by drivers involved in these preventable crashes. The crashes are often the result of seemingly minor violations of traffic law, driver distractions, and carelessness. Many of the most serious crashes involve the use of alcohol or drugs, speeds over the limit, aggressive driving, and occupants not wearing safety belts or child restraints.

There are things you can do to help.

- Be prepared. Keep your vehicle in good working condition and plan for extra drive time during inclement weather.
- Be a patient and courteous driver. Remember that others have important places to go as well.
- Obey all traffic laws. They are enacted by the citizens of our state as proven safety measures.
- Report reckless and impaired drivers. If you see an erratic or aggressive driver, or need help please call the Patrol's toll free number at **1-877-PATROL**.
- Be a positive influence to others. Ask that everyone in your vehicle wears a safety belt and that all children are properly restrained.

Our troopers will continue to work hard to assist you as you travel. They should also be a reminder that safety should be the first priority when driving.

We wish you and your family the happiest of years in 2007. With your help we all can have a safe year as well.

Sincerely,

Lieutenant Rick Zwayer
Post Commander-Marysville Post
Ohio State Highway Patrol

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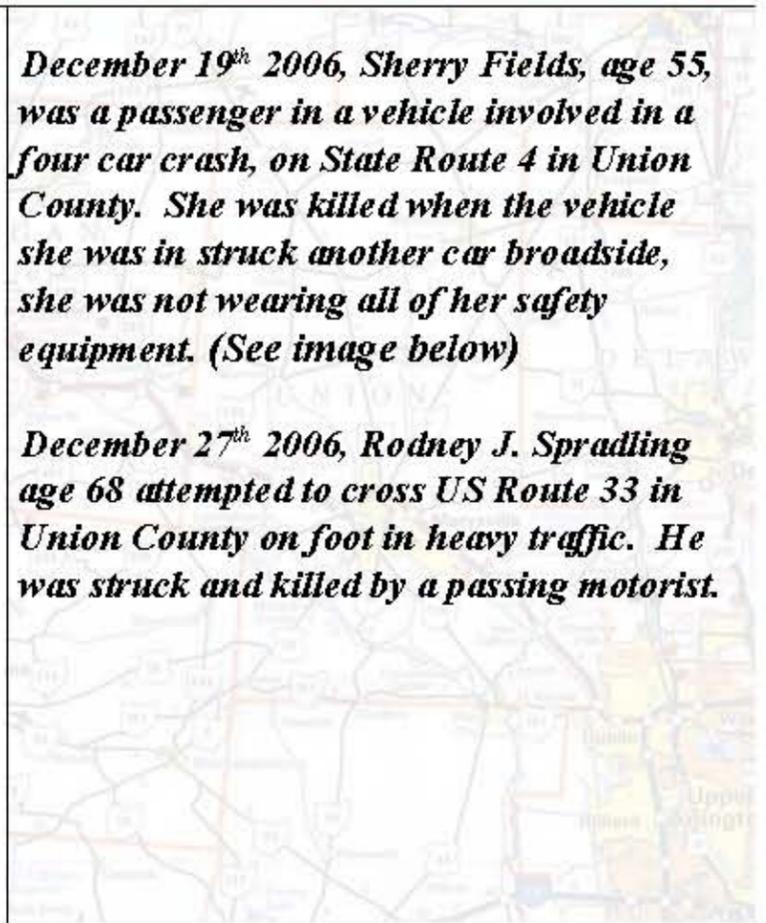
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Impaired drivers are more likely than unimpaired drivers to veer left of center or operate their vehicle in an unsafe manner.

December 19th 2006, Sherry Fields, age 55, was a passenger in a vehicle involved in a four car crash, on State Route 4 in Union County. She was killed when the vehicle she was in struck another car broadside, she was not wearing all of her safety equipment. (See image below)

December 27th 2006, Rodney J. Spradling age 68 attempted to cross US Route 33 in Union County on foot in heavy traffic. He was struck and killed by a passing motorist.



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