



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: November 8th, 2014 INCIDENT TIME: 5:35 AM
INCIDENT LOCATION: Junction of Ely Lake Drive and Woodlawn Drive East, Fayal Township

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4; Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1, 2b, 3b, g & h, 4a, b, & c)

Name: Christian Dertinger Age: 23 Address: Ely Lake
Name: Megan Paul Age: 22 Address: Ely Lake

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

The winter driving season arrived early this morning in the Virginia - Eveleth area. Falling temperatures and precipitation turning to snow formed ice on area roadways causing at least one serious crash on Ely Lake Drive in Fayal Township south of Eveleth just after 5:30 this morning. Christian Dertinger, 23, of Ely Lake was eastbound on Ely Lake Drive when he lost control on the extremely icy roadway and collided head-on with Megan Paul, 22, also of Ely Lake. Both drivers suffered non-life-threatening injuries although one driver was transported to a Duluth hospital for further treatment. Officers would like to remind drivers that road conditions can change quickly this time of year and ask them to slow down and give emergency vehicles a wide berth when parked alongside the roadway at emergencies and other situations, especially when roadways are icy.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

Eveleth and Gilbert Police Departments, Eveleth and Virginia Fire Department Ambulance Services and the Fayal Township Fire Department First Responders

AUTHORITY: Sgt James P. McKenzie DATE: November 8th, 2014 TIME: 8:30 AM

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____