Two Air-Lifted from Crash on SR 111 near Horseshoe Casino

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On May 25, 2009 at approximately 4:10 a.m., emergency responders received a call regarding an injury crash on SR 111 in Floyd County just north of the Horseshoe Casino. Stat-Care Air Ambulance was called to the scene due to the severity of the injuries. The Floyd County Prosecutor's Office Combined Accident Reconstruction Team (CART) was also called to the scene to assist with the investigation.

The Floyd County CART Team was formed in July 2007 by Floyd County Prosecutor to investigate all fatal crashes and crashes which result in serious bodily injury that may result in death or the potential for the filing of criminal charges. CART Members have additional training in crash reconstruction and scene diagramming.

The preliminary investigation shows that a southbound silver Ford Aerostar van crossed the center lane divider and struck a northbound white Jeep Grand Cherokee head-on. The driver of the van, Robert L. Goode, 25 years old, of Louisville, and the driver of the Grand Cherokee, Mary C. Ezell, 57 years old, also of Louisville, were both airlifted to the University of Louisville Hospital. Their injuries and those of the single passengers in each vehicle are not believed to be life-threatening. It is unknown at this time if alcohol was a factor in the crash. All occupants were wearing their seat belts which is believed to have reduced their injuries.

This crash is still under investigation. SR 111 was closed for approximately one and one-half hour while the patients were extricated and the on-scene investigation was conducted.

Assisting agencies included: Floyd County Police Department, Indiana State Police, New Chapel Fire Department, Yellow Ambulance, and Stat-Care Air Ambulance. Join St. Mary of the Knobs to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in style! Their 4th Annual Reverse Raffle is set for Friday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. Only 100 tickets sold in increments of \$100, \$50, and \$25. Total cash prizes of \$5,500 – even losers have a second chance to win!