



CITY OF CLEARWATER

POST OFFICE BOX 4748, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA 33758-4748
CLEARWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT, 645 PIERCE STREET, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA 33756
TELEPHONE (727) 562-4242

POLICE DEPARTMENT

RELEASE # 11-057

May 14, 2011

Contact: Elizabeth Watts

Public Safety PIO

elizabeth.watts@myclearwater.com

(727) 562-4333

FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH

WHO: Jennifer Ruth Knoepp (Driver)
DOB: 6-24-63
Seminole, Fla.
Vehicle: 2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee

Maria del Carmen, Ruiz de Renteria (Driver/Deceased)
DOB: 1-13-67
Pinellas Park, Fla.
Vehicle: 2010 Green scooter

Ibolonia Torres (Passenger)
DOB: 4-10-70
Clearwater, Fla.

WHAT: Traffic Crash Fatality

WHEN: May 13, 2011
8:57 p.m.

WHERE: Drew Street & N.E. Cleveland Street
Clearwater, Fla.

SUMMARY: The above listed Jeep Grand Cherokee was traveling westbound on Drew Street in the median lane and the scooter was traveling eastbound on Drew Street in the curb lane. The Jeep made a left turn onto NE Cleveland Street and struck the scooter. The driver of the scooter sustained serious injuries from the crash and was transported to Morton Plant where she died. The passenger was transported by Bayflight to Bayfront Medical Center with serious but non-life-threatening condition. Alcohol is not believed to be a factor. The driver of the Jeep was cited for violation of right away.

