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Editor

On the afternoon of April 26 at approximately 4:20 p.m., local Wyoming Highway Patrol officer John Jerkins responded to a one car rollover on Wyoming Highway 316 near mile post six that resulted in the death of a local youth.

Joseph L. Hermann, 17, of Wheatland, was westbound on Highway 316 in a 1996 Mazda pick-up when, due to driver error, the vehicle went off the right side of the roadway. Hermann, the only occupant of the pick-up, over corrected to the left, striking a

delineator post; he then overcorrected to the right causing the vehicle to leave the roadway, rolling twice and ejecting Hermann. A seat belt was not in use.

Hermann was transported to the Wheatland Hospital and then life-flighted to Cheyenne where he died from injuries sustained in the accident.