

**Woman killed in police chase wreck; 'Suspicious vehicle' being chased smashes into another car 05/17/07**

A woman was killed Thursday afternoon when the car she was driving was struck by a station wagon being chased by Cobb County police.

Cobb police spokeswoman Cassie Reece said the chain of events leading to the wreck began when a resident on Fern Valley Road off Bells Ferry Road called 911 to report a suspicious vehicle backed up to a neighbor's home.

Officers spotted the vehicle, a Chevrolet station wagon, on Barrett Parkway and tried to pull over the driver, Reece said.

"At that time, the suspect vehicle turned onto I-575 northbound," Reece said. "Officers made an attempt to box the vehicle in, but they were unsuccessful."

Reece said that as officers were trying stop the suspects, a big-screen TV came out of the back of the station wagon.

The station wagon sped up I-575 until it crossed over the grass median near Bells Ferry Road, striking a four-door Buick that was southbound on the interstate.

After hitting the Buick, the two suspects jumped out of the station wagon and ran, but were quickly taken into custody.

The female driver of the Buick was killed, Reece said.

One passenger in the Buick was airlifted to Atlanta Medical Center with serious injuries, and several other passengers were taken by ambulance to Wellstar Kennestone Hospital.

The names of those killed and injured were not immediately released.

All southbound lanes of I-575 near Bells Ferry Road remained closed at 1:15 p.m.