

Serious injuries avoided in deer-related wreck

(KAIR)--A Winchester resident escapes serious injury following a Friday evening collision with a deer on an Atchison County road.

Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie says 56-year-old Lorene Stephan was traveling in the area of Osage and 206th Roads when the deer hit the driver's side of Stephan's SUV, causing the side air bags to deploy.

Despite complaints of a chest injury due to the seatbelt, Laurie says Stephan refused transport to the hospital after having been checked at the scene by Atchison County EMS.

The wreck was reported around 5:30 Friday evening.

Deer are most active on area roadways from October through December, with the deer rutting season underway.

Motorists are reminded to be alert as they travel, especially during dawn and dusk, the most active time for the animals.

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