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Penfield Teen Pleads Guilty in Deadly Crash

Admits to Smoking Marijuana Night Before Accident

Tyler Gaudio, 18, pleaded guilty to the charges of Vehicular Manslaughter Second-Degree and Driving While Ability Impaired by Drugs in the crash that killed 83-year-old Dorothy Louis of Rochester.

On June 16, 2010, Gaudio was on his way to school when his car crossed the center line on Route 250 in Perinton and struck Louis' car head-on. She died on the way to the hospital. Gaudio told authorities he was distracted while driving.

Gaudio admitted in court he smoked marijuana daily. He said he smoked pot the night before the crash.

State Supreme Court Justice Francis Affronti promised Gaudio 6 months in the Monroe County Jail, 5-years probation and youthful offender status, which means his criminal record will be sealed, when he's sentenced June 21.

If Gaudio had gone to trial and was found guilty, he could have received up to 2 1/3 to 7 years in prison.

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