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**RE:** Woman Sentenced to Prison for DUI/Vehicular Assault

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Angelique J. Damore, DOB: 516-68, of Evergreen, was sentenced today to three years in prison for drinking, driving and causing the head-on collision that seriously injured an Evergreen High School student in May 2003.

Damore was driving the wrong direction on Highway 74, where the road is divided and two lanes elevated, and hit the 17-year-old as he was on his way to work at El Rancho. He suffered a severe closed head injury.

A Jefferson County jury convicted her of vehicular assault (DUI), vehicular assault (reckless) and DUI following three days of trial in March, 2004. She was sentenced to three years in prison for the first count, two years in prison for the second count and one year in prison for the DUI, all to be served concurrently.

Prosecutor Sheryl Berry talked about the impact of drinking and driving on our communities. She requested the court to impose a prison sentence, asking, "As a community, when is enough, enough?"

District Court Judge Brian Boatwright told those present that he did want to send a message to the community that drinking and driving will be treated very seriously in Jefferson County.

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