
LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
NEWS RELEASE



CASE NUMBER: 18-2771

DATE/ TIME OF INCIDENT: 5/2/2018 3:13 pm

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NATURE OF STORY: Deceased Female Located on Bank of McKenzie River Identified

LOCATION: McKenzie River – Approximately 1 mile downriver from Helfrich Landing

DECEASED: MARTHA LEE BERGER, 67 y/o, Eugene

DETAILS:

The deceased female located on the bank of the McKenzie River yesterday afternoon has been identified as 67 year old Martha Berger of Eugene. Berger reportedly last communicated with her housing manager on Saturday and missed a medical appointment on Monday. She was reported as missing to the Eugene Police Department on May 2, 2018. Shortly after, the Lane County Sheriff's Office received a report of a deceased female on the bank of the McKenzie River, later identified as Ms. Berger.

The Lane County Sheriff's Office is investigating the death in conjunction with the Lane County Medical Examiner's Office. The cause and manner of death have not yet been determined; however, there is no indication of foul play. Our thoughts are with Ms. Berger's family and friends as they grieve.

Prior News Release 5/2/2018

The Lane County Sheriff's Office received a report of a deceased female located approximately one mile downriver of Helfrich Landing on the McKenzie River. The female was spotted on the riverbank by a river guide who contacted law enforcement. The female has been identified and deputies are working on notifying next of kin. It is still early in the investigation; however, there are no indications of foul play at this time.

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