

Troopers Conducting Death Investigation

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****Update****

Dover, DE- Delaware State Police Homicide Unit detectives are continuing to conduct a death investigation after a 25 year old Dover woman was found dead in an apartment in Dover this morning.

The investigation began at approximately 1:55 a.m. this morning, Monday, July 18, 2016, after officers from the Dover Police Department responded to the intersection of US Rt. 13 and Webbs Lane, Dover, for the report of a fatal motor vehicle crash involving a pedestrian which had occurred. Upon their arrival, Dover officers learned that a male pedestrian had been struck by a vehicle after he had walked into its path on US Rt. 13. The male victim was pronounced dead at the scene. During the subsequent investigation, a vehicle was found with its engine running in the parking lot of the Wendy's Restaurant located on US Rt. 13 at Webbs Lane. A computer inquiry of the vehicle's registration revealed that it was registered to the deceased pedestrian.

At approximately 9:15 a.m. officers from the Dover Police Department then responded to the registered address of the deceased male located at 51 Webbs Lane, Alder Park Apartments, in order to make contact with the male victim's next of kin. Upon their arrival, the officers came into contact with a male occupant of the apartment and asked to speak to the deceased victim's wife. It was at this point that the body of the 25 year old female, wife of the deceased pedestrian, was located in the rear bedroom of the apartment suffering from an obvious

injury to her torso area. It was learned that the male occupant, who rents a room at the apartment, did not know that the female victim was deceased in the bedroom before the arrival of the officers.

Detectives are continuing their investigation by conducting interviews and collecting evidence to determine the circumstances surrounding this incident. The names of the deceased male pedestrian as well as the female victim are being withheld at this time pending the notification of their next of kin.

For specific details in reference to the fatal motor vehicle crash which was investigated by the Dover Police Department, please contact Corporal Mark Hoffman at 302-222-5969.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact Detective Mark Csapo at 302-698-8427. Information may also be provided by calling [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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Dover, DE- Delaware State Police Homicide Unit detectives are currently conducting a death investigation in which a 25 year old female was found dead in an apartment in Dover this morning.

The investigation began at approximately 9:15 a.m. this morning, Monday, July 18, 2016, after troopers were told to respond to the Alder Park Apartments, located at 51 Webbs Lane, Dover, after a female was discovered in the rear of an apartment with obvious injuries to her upper torso. The female, whose name is being withheld pending the notification of her next of kin, was pronounced dead at the scene by Kent County Paramedics. Her body was turned over to the Division of Forensic Sciences where an autopsy will be conducted to determine the manner and cause of death.

The investigation into this incident is in its early stages. More information will be released as the investigation progresses and more details become available.

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