Anne Arundel County Police Offer $10,000 Reward

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Homicide UPDATE Shadyside

On June 1, 2017, at approximately 12:36 a.m., officers responded to the area of Scott Town Road and Nick Road in Shady Side for a citizen’s report of gunshots heard in the area. When officers arrived, they located an adult male and adult female lying in the area of Scott Town Road suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. Several patrol officers, canine officers, and the police helicopter responded to canvass the area but were unable to locate any suspects. Both victims were pronounced dead at the scene and homicide detectives were called to assist.

The adult male victim was identified as forty-eight-year-old Leslie Michael Smith, and the female victim was identified as forty-four-year-old Linda Lynn McKenzie. Through investigation, it was discovered that the two victims were involved in a relationship and lived together on a houseboat in the Rock Hold Creek area. Both victims were transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner where an autopsy will be performed to determine the exact cause and manner of death.

UPDATE

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner has ruled Leslie Smith and Linda McKenzie’s cause of death as gunshot wound(s) with the manner being a homicide. Detectives have interviewed several witnesses in this case and have received leads in which they are actively pursuing. The investigation has revealed this was a targeted incident and not a random act of violence.

The Anne Arundel County Police Department is offering up to a ten thousand dollar ($10,000.00) reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the shooting death of Leslie Smith and Linda McKenzie. Due to the passage of time, homicide detectives are aware witnesses might be more likely to come forward and discuss the event. Detectives realize relationships change where witnesses may have moved from the area and may be more comfortable with assisting with the investigation.

As the investigation continues to develop the Anne Arundel County Police Department urges anyone with information on the murders of Leslie Smith and Linda McKenzie to contact the Anne Arundel County Homicide Unit at 410-222-4731. If people with information wish to remain anonymous they can also contact the Anne Arundel County Police Tip Line 410-222-4700 or Metro Crime Stoppers.

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