



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



DROWNING IN WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP

Whitewater Township, June 1, 2013 – Chief Deputy Mark Schoonover, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, reports a drowning which occurred in the Whitewater River in the 4900 block of Lawrenceburg Road in Whitewater Township.

At approximately 12:10 a.m., Sheriff's Deputies and Whitewater Township Fire and EMS units were dispatched to the backyard of a residence in the 4900 block of Lawrenceburg Road for a report of an unresponsive subject in the river. Responding Sheriff's Deputies pulled the partially submerged 47 year old victim from the river and immediately initiated CPR on him. The deputies continued CPR on the victim on the riverbank until relieved by responding EMS units. After being recovered from the base of the hill, the victim was then transported by Whitewater Township EMS units to the Mercy Medical Center, Harrison, Ohio where he was pronounced dead at 2:13 a.m.

Detectives with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Criminal Investigation Section responded to the scene to investigate the incident. On-scene and follow-up investigation indicates that the victim, whose name is being withheld pending family notification, lost his footing for an unknown reason and fell down the steep riverbank and into the water, coming to rest on a partially submerged log. At this time, foul play is not suspected in the incident, yet it remains under investigation by the Sheriff's Criminal Investigation Section.

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