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**UPDATE**

Kendall County Sheriff’s Office Searching for Missing Adult Female with Autism

On January 9, 2019 at approximately 7:15pm, the Kendall County Sheriff’s Office responded to the 0-100 block of Basswood Court in Bristol for a report of a missing 37 year old Autistic and endangered female named Wendy M. Lippard. She was seen wearing purple pajamas and black shoes. Police and Fire were searching in the area of Galena Road and Highland Drive. The Sheriff’s Office had deployed their drone that was flying above the area as did a Chicago Police Department helicopter.

At approximately 12:15am. Wendy was located in Blackberry Creek near Willow Lane. Medical attention was given on the scene, and Wendy was transported to Rush Copley Medical Center in Aurora, where she was later pronounced deceased. The Kendall County Sheriff’s Office is conducting an active investigation into this incident with the assistance of the Kane County Coroner’s Office.

The Sheriff’s Office would like to thank the Yorkville Police Department, Montgomery Police Department, Oswego Police Department, Chicago Police Department, Bristol-Kendall Fire Department, and the Kendall County Emergency Management Search and Rescue Team for their assistance.

The public is reminded that criminal defendants are presumed innocent until the government is able to prove its charges in court beyond a reasonable doubt.

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