

Office of Investigations, Woodbury County Sheriff's Office, Duck Division

Type of Investigation: DeathDate: 08/19/2012Time: 16:37

Location: residence of Michael and Lynn Buth, 209 Thomas St., Danbury, IA

Deceased: Mr. Duckie Buth Age: 12

Address of deceased: of 209 Thomas St., Danbury, IA 51019

Weapons involved: chlorine poison, lawn mower

Suspected Manner of Death: Poisoning by wasp stinger injection

Witnesses: Lynn Buth, (712) 893-2160; Waspie Buth, whereabouts unknown; Waspo Buth, whereabouts unknown

Narrative:

Woodbury County Sheriff's Office Duck Division and emergency personnel were dispatched to 209 Thomas St., Danbury for a suspected 10-7 final. Upon arriving at scene, was met by a female (Lynn Buth) who was quite quacked out. She led me to the backyard where I saw the most gruesome scene this investigator has ever seen. Laying amid shards of grass was the rubber head and upper body region of victim, identified as Mr. Duckie. There were . It was noted that no internal organs were present in the body cavity and that the duck bill and face remained mostly intact and free of trauma. Also noted that the victim's face was eerily frozen in a permanent grin. One could suppose that Mr. Duckie died happy. But further investigation of the rubber evidence suggests a more sinister ending for Mr. Duckie and suspected fowl play.

It was noted that the bits of rubber remaining from the victim's lower body had paled in color compared to the rest of the body. Usually as is the case with rubber duckies, the top portion of the body fades due to the sun. However the discoloration of the victim's lower extremities suggests ingestion, injection or absorption of some kind of poison.

Investigators, with the help of CSI, conducted a thorough investigation. Among the theories considered were duckicide, accidental lawn mower death, homicide by mower and homicide by poisoning. We marked the outline of the body with duck tape (duct tape was not available). The scene was photographed and samples were taken of the blades of grass, rubber duckie residue on the mower blades and water from the swimming pool, where Mr. Duckie summered. Potential witnesses and suspects were and fingerprinted, webbed-feet printed and feather printed.

Witnesses and potential suspects were interviewed. At this time, Lynn Buth does not appear to be a suspect. Her distraught and quacked-out attitude is believed to be genuine. Family members of Mr. Duckie and acquaintances were interviewed. Interpreters who spoke Quacklish and Waspese were brought in to assist. All family members had alibis and are not suspects at this time.

However further questioning of acquaintances Mr. Waspie and Mr. Waspo found inconsistencies in their statements. Mr. Waspie repeatedly stated that Mr. Duckie was "just a duck down on his luck," yet family members said Mr. Duckie was experiencing no stressors in his life and enjoyed a comfortable lazy lifestyle in the swimming pool, quacking all day and gliding on the water. Mr. Waspo was found to have a slight trace of yellow rubber duckie residue on his stinger.

The ensuing autopsy, conducted at St. Duck's Regional Medical Center in Sioux City by Dr. Mac Quack, determined that Mr. Duckie's cause of death was intentional acute poisoning by chlorine from the pool water. Mr. Duckie had spent 12 years in the pool and had not experienced any adverse conditions to the pool chemicals. However his feathers indicated trace amounts of quackamphetamine, which not readily available to Mr. Duckie, could only have been injected to him. Two sting wounds were found on Mr. Duckie's mangled rubber parts. Dr. Quack has concluded that Mr. Duckie died instantly from the poisoning and was duckceased before the lawnmower cut him up.

, appear to have flown the coop and cannot be located at this time. Charges pending against them include: illegal possession of lethal doses of quackamphetamine, injection of quackamphetamine with intent to kill, homicide of a duck, improper disposal of rubber and flying the scene of the crime.

This concludes my report, Sgt. Buck McDuck, Woodbury County Duck's Office