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MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES INVESTIGATING PRESUMED DROWNING

Re: Irondequoit Bay; Webster, NY

Webster, NY (April 13, 2019) – On today's date, April 13, 2019 at 5:09 p.m., Monroe County Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a capsized canoe in Irondequoit Bay, about 100 feet from Stony Point Marina in Webster, NY. In addition to Sheriff's deputies, the MCSO SCUBA team responded, as well as first responders from the U.S. Coast Guard, New York State Police, Webster Police, West Webster Fire Department and Culver Ridge Fire Department.

Upon an investigation MCSO determined three young men were canoeing in Irondequoit Bay when the canoe capsized. Two individuals resurfaced, one did not. The individuals who resurfaced called for help from a nearby residence after realizing the third individual did not surface. The search is ongoing for a **27 year old male of Henrietta.**

The Monroe County Sheriff's SCUBA team conducted a search using side scan sonar and other search techniques. The aforementioned law enforcement agencies and firefighters conducted a shoreline search. Aerial searches were conducted with the use of U.S. Coast Guard and NYSP helicopters. Law enforcement agencies and firefighters also conducted a neighborhood canvas, with negative results.

BACKGROUND:

- **Irondequoit Bay water temperature: 32 degrees - 40 degrees**
- **Water depth: approximately 5.0'-6.0' deep**



- **None of the individuals was wearing life vests at the time the canoe capsized**
- **Life vests were discovered inside the canoe**

The Monroe County Sheriff's Office is keeping the family of the young man at the center of this search in its thoughts. Thank you to all of our partnering first responders for their assistance with this investigation. The search for the individual is ongoing at this hour. There is no further information at this time.

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