



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 03/17/2016 INCIDENT TIME: 1451
INCIDENT LOCATION: Bong Bridge - Duluth

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4: Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1; 2b; 3b; g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: Sterling Devine Age: 32 Address: Duluth, MN

Name: Age: Address:

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

On March 17th, 2016 the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office and Duluth Police responded to the call of a male threatening to jump from the Bong Bridge. The male, later identified as Devine, jumped off the bridge before law enforcement could arrive. The St Louis County Rescue Squad, St. Louis County Deputies, US Coast Guard and Duluth Fire Department searched well into the evening hours but were unable locate Devine. The search was called off due to weather and water conditions on the St. Louis River. The search resumed today, 03/21/2015 at 0900 hours. Using sonars and an underwater diver, the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office and Rescue Squad were able to locate Devine. Devine's body was transported to the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office in Anoka. Foul play does not appear to be a factor in the death.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

St. Louis County Rescue Squad, Duluth Police Department, Duluth Fire Department, US Coast Guard.

AUTHORITY: Sgt. Brandon Silgjord DATE: 03/21/2016 TIME: 1652

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

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