



ONEIDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release – Friday, May 24, 2019

Town of Pelican - On Thursday, May 23, 2019, at approximately 3:55 p.m., the Oneida County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call reporting a male lying face down at the Hwy G and Nicolet College entrance. It was reported that it appeared that he had a gunshot wound and there was a gun on the ground near the body. Life saving measures were started and the subject was transported to St. Mary's Hospital in Rhinelander. The subject passed away from injuries at approximately 4:30 p.m. The initial investigation show this to be a self-inflicted gunshot, and the Nicolet Campus and the public were not in danger. The subject is identified as Ralph A Lucas, 83 from Rhinelander, WI. Lucas was not a student or staff member of Nicolet College. The Oneida County Sheriff's Office and Oneida County Medical Examiner's Office are continuing the investigation.

Oneida County Deputies along with the Rhinelander Fire Department, Pelican First Responders, and the Oneida County Medical Examiner's Office were all involved with the call.

Any media requesting additional information about this incident should contact Captain Tyler Young (715)361-5137 (desk) or (715)490-1454 (cell)

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