Body Found On Lake Travis Identified As Homicide Victim

On July 6, 2011, at 11:37am, a body was found floating in Lake Travis near the East shoreline of Pace Bend Park. The body was found wrapped in a tent and weighted down. Boats from the LCRA, Pedernales Fire Department and Sheriff’s Office were on scene. Detectives and Investigators with the Travis County Medical Examiner’s Office were called to the scene to start the investigation into this incident.

On July 7, 2011 the Medical Examiner’s Office conducted their examination and identified the body as,

Veronica Navarro, Date of Birth 10-17-1988, of Spicewood, formerly of Austin. They also ruled the manner of death is homicide.

Detectives executed a search warrant at her home and found evidence that identified a suspect. Detectives then received word from Canadian authorities that the suspect in this case, identified as,

Joe Carr, Date of Birth 2-29-1984 was attempting to enter their country. Detectives notified them that he was a suspect in a homicide and were obtaining a warrant. U.S. Customs detained him until a warrant was issued for Tampering with Physical Evidence, Felony 2. He was then taken to the Pembina County Sheriff’s Office, in North Dakota where he is being held on $100,000.00 Bond.

Detectives are asking anyone with information about this case to contact the Sheriff’s Office at 854-9710 or Crime Stoppers at 472-TIPS (472-8477).

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