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Illahee Shores

Homicide investigation continues

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Port Orchard, Wash. -- The investigation by sheriff's detectives continues into the death of a woman found inside of her destroyed residence, Saturday morning, Oct. 31, in the Illahee Shores Mobile Home Park in East Bremerton.

The investigation was classified as a homicide upon conclusion of an autopsy that was held Sunday, Nov. 1.

Last week the Kitsap County Coroner confirmed the identity of the victim as Paymela Faye Long, age 58.

The fire originated in a rear bedroom of Paymela's pre-manufactured mobile home. Her body was discovered in that bedroom by firefighters from Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue. Autopsy results indicate that Paymela died, by violent means, prior to the start of the fire. How the fire started is still under investigation by the Kitsap County Fire Marshal and sheriff's arson detectives.

Sheriff's detectives are pursuing all investigative leads:

- Detectives continue to gather forensic evidence and analyze that evidence.
- Investigators are interviewing contacts.
- The Sheriff's Office is coordinating its investigative actions with the Kitsap County Prosecutor's Office and the Kitsap County Coroner.

Persons with information about the fire or the victim are asked to contact Detective Lissa Gundrum at (360) 337-5669.

Those who want to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers of Puget Sound at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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