



## **News from the Shelby County Sheriff's Office**

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### **Man Killed By Falling Tree**

Sheriff's detectives say a man doing grounds work at a Woodstock area golf course was killed today when a tree fell on him.

Just after 8:30 a.m. Cruz Ayala Delgado, 28, of Memphis, was operating a track hoe machine (used for excavating) at Big Creek Golf Course at 6195 Woodstock-Cuba Road. The golf course is closed and undergoing renovations.

Sheriff's detectives say Delgado was attempting to remove a tree estimated to be 100 feet tall which was near a pond. The tree fell on top of the track hoe trapping Delgado who died at the scene.

Sheriff's Investigators say other workers tried to help Delgado but they could not lift the large tree. The Shelby County Fire Department worked for more than two hours to remove Delgado's body.

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