



News from the Shelby County Sheriff's Office

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Deputies Yet To Identify Dog In Cruelty Case

Sheriff's detectives are still attempting to find the owner of a Pitt Bull Terrier that was found hanging by its neck on a fence in Northaven last night.

Detectives spent the day interviewing neighborhood residents in hopes of identifying the white and reddish-brown colored dog estimated to be about a year-old. The dog weighed about 50 pounds.

The dog was found near a vacant lot on North Circle near Blacksmith about 11 o'clock last night. Detectives have yet to establish a motive for the dog's death.

As reported earlier, a neighbor had offered to bury the dog in a wooded area on Bowdoin Drive near the crime scene. However, before burial, detectives took possession of the animal for further examination.

Anyone with information should call the Shelby County Sheriff's Office General Investigation Bureau at **(901) 545-5600** or Crime Stoppers at **(901) 528-CASH (2274)**.

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