

MEDIA RELEASE

UPDATE: Missing Man Found Safe in Portland

May 1, 2020

On Friday, May 1, 2020, Portland Police Bureau officers found Mr. Swearingen. He was found safe near the Eastmoreland Golf Course. The Sheriff's Office appreciates the help from the community, the Portland Police Bureau, and the Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue members of the Explorer Post 877.

(Original media release below)

Deputies Need Assistance Locating a Missing and Endangered Man

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On Friday, May 1, 2020, at 7:16 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a missing person in the Garden Home area. Deputies found out John Riley Swearingen went missing between 10:00 p.m. last night and 6:00 a.m. this morning while his caretaker was asleep. Mr. Swearingen is diagnosed with dementia.

Mr. Swearingen is 79-years-old, is 6' 1", and weighs 170 pounds. He's most likely wearing khaki pants, a dark sweater, and a dark blue jacket. Mr. Swearingen enjoys using the walking paths in the Garden Home area, so he may still be in the vicinity.

Anyone with information on Mr. Swearingen's whereabouts is asked to call non-emergency dispatch at 503-629-0111.



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