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Media Release

Incident: UPDATE: Double Homicide; Deputy Involved Shooting
Location: 4426 Santa Anna Drive; Broadway/U.S. Highway 63
Date & time: 2/28/15 @ 2203 hours
Case Number: 15-2170

Details:

Two people killed in a double homicide and one wounded Saturday night (2/28/15) on Santa Anna Drive and a suspect shot dead by a Boone County sheriff's deputy have been identified.

Deborah W. Koontz, 53, and her brother, Donald R. Wilson, 51, were pronounced dead at the scene on Santa Anna Drive. Willie J. Mays, 44, was taken by ambulance to a local hospital with a gunshot wound to the head. The suspect in the shootings, Cornelius J. Parker, 28, was killed after exchanging gunshots with a sheriff's deputy at Broadway and U.S. Highway 63. All the victims and Parker resided at 4426 Santa Anna Drive. A motive for the shootings has not yet been established.

Sheriff's deputies responded to the duplex shortly after 10 p.m. in response to multiple 9-1-1 calls and found Koontz and Wilson deceased and Mays wounded. Witnesses provided a description of the suspect along with the vehicle used to flee the scene. Deputies spotted the vehicle heading west on Highway WW and El Chaparral Avenue and began a pursuit into the city of Columbia.

The suspect lost control of the vehicle while attempting to turn south on U.S. Highway 63 from Broadway. The suspect exited the vehicle with a handgun and began shooting at the deputy who returned fire, killing the suspect. The deputy was not injured.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol's Division of Drug and Crime Control is investigating the shooting of the suspect by the deputy. The shooting on Santa Anna Drive is still under investigation by the Sheriff's Department and more details will be provided at a later time.

The 32-year-old deputy involved in the killing of the suspect is an Enforcement Sergeant with over 11 years law enforcement experience. He is a firearms instructor as well as a 10-year veteran of the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team, having over 1000 hours of tactical training.

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Release authorized by: Det. Tom O'Sullivan, #5040