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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**September 21, 2018**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> All-Terrain Vehicle Fatality	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> September 20, 2018 Unknown Time
<u>Incident Location</u>	Wooded area behind 179 Grouse Point Ligonier Township
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u>	<b>Decedent:</b> Michael P. Kent, 74 y/o male. Address: Same as Incident Location
<u>Date and Time of Death:</u>	September 20, 2018 at 10:25 PM
<b><u>Incident Details:</u></b>	<b>Cause of Death: Positional Asphyxiation</b> <b>Due to: Pinned Beneath All-Terrain Vehicle</b> <b>Manner of Death: Accidental</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information on an all-terrain vehicle accident.</li><li>▪ The decedent, Michael P. Kent, was the operator of a, Can-Am Outlander XT 500, traveling in a wooded area behind his residence.</li><li>▪ For an unknown reason and at an unknown time, the decedent rolled the all-terrain vehicle and became pinned beneath it.</li><li>▪ The decedent was unable to extricate himself from beneath the all-terrain vehicle.</li><li>▪ Individuals began searching for the decedent discovering him at approximately 8:48 PM.</li><li>▪ Deputy Coroner Joshua C. Zappone pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.</li><li>▪ The decedent was not utilizing a helmet at the time of the incident.</li><li>▪ Cause and manner of death is reflected above.</li><li>▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.</li><li>▪ Snyder Funeral Home of Ligonier will be in charge of arrangements.</li><li>▪ Ligonier Township Police also investigated.</li></ul>
<b>***** <u>No further information is available from this office at this time.</u> *****</b>	