Portland Police Department

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Portland police are investigating the murder of one person and the aggravated assault of another.

Shortly before 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 23, 2012, a couple visiting Violet Andrews Park in Portland saw the bodies of two females in a grassy area below a scenic overlook. When officers and EMS arrived, one of the victims was alive and was immediately transported to a local hospital. Both victims had been shot.

The murder victim is 19 year old Mollie Judith Olgin of Ingleside. Olgin was most recently living and working in Corpus Christi. Olgin's vehicle was found near the crime scene.

Mary Kristene Chapa, age 18, of Sinton, Texas, was critically injured by a single gunshot wound to the head. Chapa is currently being treated at an area hospital and is listed in stable, condition.

An empty shell casing from a large caliber handgun was found at the scene leading investigators to believe the shootings occurred where the girls were found. Two witnesses reported hearing what could have been gunshots or firecrackers just before midnight on Friday, June 22, 2012 but did not report the occurrence until interviewed.

A motive in this case has not been established. Information from family and friends indicates that Mollie and Mary were engaged in a same-sex relationship. However, there is no current evidence to indicate the attacks were motivated by that relationship.

Because of her current medical condition, Mary Chapa has not been formally interviewed about the attacks.

Any person with information about this crime is urged to contact police at (361) 777-4444.

Further statements will be released as conditions warrant.

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