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### **SISTERS MURDER UPDATE**

On May 31, 2022, 55-year-old Tina Klein-Lewis was found deceased on her property located at 67450 Cloverdale Road in Deschutes County. She was found by her boyfriend in the bucket of a tractor.

On June 3, 2022, Deschutes County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a welfare check call at 16373 Jordan Road in Deschutes County. The caller reported that an unknown man on the adjacent property asked him to call medics because he had infected feet and needed medical attention. Sheriff's deputies arrived, located the person who was alleged to be in medical distress, and eventually arrested him for the murder of Tina Klein-Lewis. This person was 22-year-old Alexander Mark Smith.

Smith had no known relationship with Tina Klein-Lewis. Smith is a 2018 graduate of Redmond High, and until earlier this year, was a student at Oregon State University.

Smith's first court hearing is today at 1:30 for an Arraignment. This week, the Deschutes County District Attorney's Office will present the case to a Grand Jury.

Statement from District Attorney Hummel:

"By all accounts, Tina Klein-Lewis was a loving, kind, and gentle person. She leaves behind many people who loved her. Tina Klein-Lewis' absence creates a void in our community. My colleagues and I in the District Attorney's Office, in partnership with the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office are giving this investigation our full attention and we will ensure that justice is done."

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