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BCSO Deputy locates missing elderly woman in the Town of Binghamton

(TOWN OF BINGHAMTON, NY) The Broome County Sheriff's Office would like to put a brief spotlight on Deputy Scott Pierson, Jr., whose efforts saved the life of an elderly woman who had wandered from her house in single-degree temperatures in the Town of Binghamton.

On Thursday, January 23, 2025 at approximately 7:05 PM, the Broome County Sheriff's Office received a report regarding a missing 75-year-old woman who suffers from dementia in the Town of Binghamton. The woman had reportedly gone to bed at 6:00 PM, but at 6:30 PM, her husband heard a door shut and could not locate her.

In just over 6 minutes, BCSO Deputy Pierson arrived at the scene and began assisting with the search, eventually locating the woman's footprints in the snow. Following the prints into the woods, Pierson successfully located the woman approximately 100 yards - ¼ mile from her residence in the woods. The woman reported that she had fallen in the woods, and Broome Volunteer Emergency Squad transported her to UHS Wilson Hospital for evaluation.

"Excellent job by Deputy Pierson and all who assisted in getting this woman to safety," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. "This incident is emblematic of the outstanding, life-saving work done by the dedicated men and women of the Broome County Sheriff's Office and all our local first responders on a daily basis. It gives me great comfort to know these men and woman are out in our community 24/7, doing everything they can to keep our families safe."

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