

# Onondaga County Sheriff's Office News

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## Manner of Death Ruled in Baldwinsville Death Investigation

**Village of Baldwinsville, New York-**The Onondaga County Sheriff's Office releases the cause and manner of death for the Baldwinsville couple found dead earlier this month in an apartment at the Landings at Meadowood in the Village of Baldwinsville.

On October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at approximately 7:40 P.M. Sheriff's Deputies along with members of the Baldwinsville Police Department responded to 311 Stonewood Lane for a 911 call reporting the possible death of two residents. Upon the arrival of officers, entry was made into the apartment, where a man and a woman were both discovered deceased. Detectives have since identified the two deceased individuals as 68 year old Richard Murphy and 31 year old Heather Laca, both of 311 Stonewood Lane.

Autopsies performed by the Onondaga County Medical Examiner's Office have determined that Laca's death was caused by gunshot and Murphy's death was caused by a self-inflicted gunshot. Manner of death has been ruled homicide/suicide domestic related.

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