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MISSING EDMONDS WOMAN LOCATED

At approximately 7:30 p.m. Tuesday evening, March 20, 2012, 59-year old Nancy Brancheau was located safe and unharmed at Golden Gardens Park in Seattle. The Alzheimer's patient had been missing from her Edmonds home all day, having last been seen at 10:00 p.m. Monday evening. With the assistance of Snohomish County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue, the Alzheimer's Association Safe Return Program, K-9 search teams, and the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office SnoHawk 1 helicopter police searched all day since the woman's absence was reported at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2012.

The missing woman was located at the Seattle waterfront park by a family friend who was one of the dozens of volunteers searching all day. Nancy was transported back to her Edmonds home where she was examined by Snohomish County Fire District 1 emergency medical staff. Edmonds Police wish to thank the many neighboring police agencies, fire department personnel, medical professionals, and civilian volunteers who assisted in this successful search effort.

EDMONDS POLICE SEARCH FOR MISSING/ENDANGERED ADULT

The Edmonds Police Department is requesting the public's help locating Nancy Brancheau, a 59-year old Edmonds resident. Nancy was last seen at 10:00 p.m. Monday evening, March 19, 2012, at her Edmonds home in the 22600 block of 105th Avenue W. When family awoke this morning at 9:00 a.m., the woman was missing from the home. It's believed she walked away of her own volition. Nancy suffers from Alzheimer's disease and dementia.

Nancy Brancheau is a white female approximately 5' 2" tall, weighing 135 pounds and has shoulder-length brown hair and brown eyes. Nancy is believed to be wearing a black, heavy sweater with white accents and silver hooks on the front, possibly an unknown color hooded sweatshirt underneath, blue denim pants, black shoes, and a tan fisherman-style hat with either a Mickey or Minnie Mouse design on the front. She also has a Medical Alert bracelet on her left wrist that identifies her by name, lists her condition and includes a contact telephone number. Nancy will likely be wearing sunglasses, but it's not believed she took money with her for food or transportation assistance.

When Nancy is confused she may be more likely to answer to her maiden name, Nancy DeFazio.

Nancy likes to visit parks and beaches.

Police officers have been searching the area and checking with friends, local businesses and hospitals since learning of Nancy's absence from home. Snohomish County Search and Rescue personnel have been called for assistance.



Photograph of Nancy Brancheau

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