

## WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MEDIA RELEASE

## Warren County Sheriff's Office Concludes Search Effort

January 3, 2016 3:30 P.M.

On, Sunday, January 3, 2016, at 1:45 P.M., the Warren County Sheriff's Office ended the search and rescue operations for Aaron Berns. The search had been ongoing since Friday evening, when Mr. Berns jumped into the Little Miami River while fleeing from Deputies investigating a structure fire in the Village of Morrow.

The Sheriff's Office had been conducting a Joint Search and Rescue Operation with assistance from the Salem/Morrow Fire Department, Hamilton Township Fire Rescue, Harlan Township Fire Rescue, Turtlecreek Township Fire Department, Deerfield Township Fire Rescue, Union Township Fire Department, Wayne Township Fire Department, Lebanon Fire Department, Franklin Township Fire Department, Warren County Technical Rescue Team, Buckeye Search and Rescue Dogs, Village of Morrow Police Department, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Task Force One Regional Response Team and the Ohio State Highway Patrol. Despite the exhaustive efforts of everyone involved, Mr. Berns was not located.

Although the search and operation phase of the investigation is completed, Mr. Berns is still entered as a critical missing person, and anyone with information about his whereabouts is urged to contact the Warren County Sheriff's Office.

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