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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Search Successful: Missing Elderly Man Located

LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP (*September 19, 2010*) –An elderly Lower Providence Township man who had been missing since Thursday, Sept 16 was found Sunday in a heavily wooded area of Evansburg State Park. Charles Mouat, 68, of the 100 block of Caswell Avenue in the Collegeville section of the Township, was found at approximately 1 p.m.

Mr. Mouat had been reported missing to the Lower Providence Township Police Department by his family at about 7:15 p.m. on Thursday, September 16. A ground search, using personnel and specially trained tracking dogs, was conducted of the area until approximately 1:30 a.m. on Friday, September 17. The search was resumed and continued throughout the day on Friday, September 17 involving a search of the area by helicopter, and ground searches by trained tracking dogs and personnel. A third search of the area was initiated on Sunday, September 19, with personnel from the Lower Providence Volunteer Fire Company, the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Forestry Service and community volunteers.

Mr. Mouat was located in a heavily brushed and wooded area west of Fern Avenue and south of Ridge Pike by a search team. The search team was required to cut a trail through the underbrush and growth in order to gain access to Mr. Mouat. He was responsive and was treated at the scene by personnel from the Lower Providence Community Center Ambulance. He was transported by ambulance to Montgomery Hospital in Norristown for treatment.

Francis L. Carroll, Chief of Police for Lower Providence Township, said, “My hat is off to everyone that participated over the course of the last several days in the search for Mr. Mouat in an area with treacherous terrain and many challenges. We are particularly grateful to the volunteers who gave of themselves so selflessly and exhibited a commitment to locating Mr. Mouat that is beyond description. To achieve this outcome under these conditions is a testament to their dedication to their fellow man.”

Chief Francis L. Carroll
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