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**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*****Grant Amato has been arrested**

Seminole Co. Fla., (January 28, 2019) – Early this morning investigators obtained an arrest warrant for Grant Amato on three counts of first-degree premeditated murder. At approximately 1 a.m. this morning, Amato was taken into custody without incident. He is currently being booked into the John E. Polk Correctional Facility on a no bond status. **No other details are available for release at this time.** Amato's booking photo can be obtained [here](#) once the booking process is complete.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*****Homicide victim have been identified**

Seminole Co. Fla., (January 27, 2019) – The homicide victims have been identified as:

- Chad Amato, 59, of Chuluota
- Margaret Ann Amato, 61, of Chuluota
- Cody Winston Amato, 31, of Orlando

Grant Amato is no longer in investigative detention but is cooperating with the investigation. Investigators continue to gather evidence and remain confident **this was not a random act.** No other details are available for release at this time.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*****Grant Amato has been located**

Seminole Co. Fla., (January 26, 2019) – At approximately 7:45 a.m. this morning, the Honda Accord was located at a hotel in Orange County. Grant Amato was located in a hotel room and was taken into investigative detention without incident. No other details are available for release at this time. **We will continue to provide updates as they become available.**

**Deputies investigating triple homicide**

Seminole Co. Fla., (January 25, 2019) – The Seminole County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating a triple homicide that occurred on Sultan Circle in Chuluota.

At around 9:00 a.m. this morning, deputies responded to the home to conduct a well-being check after a coworker expressed concern that one of the victims did not show up for work. Upon entering the home, they discovered an adult female and two adult males deceased inside. Positive identification of the victims is pending at this time. Investigators believe this was not a random act, and the victims and suspect knew each other.

Investigators are actively looking for a **person of interest**, 29-year-old Grant Amato, who is believed to be driving a 1996 white Honda Accord with Florida tag L1GH7. A photo of Amato and the Honda Accord are included in this release. Amato should be considered armed and dangerous. Anyone who spots Amato or the vehicle should immediately call 911, and are strongly cautioned not to approach or attempt to make contact with either.

**This investigation is active and ongoing. We will continue to provide updates as they become available.**

Anyone with information on this crime is asked to call the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at 407-665-6650 or Crimeline at (800) 423-TIPS (8477). Calls made to Crimeline remain anonymous, and tips that lead to the felony arrest of suspects and/or the recovery of stolen property and drugs are eligible for cash rewards of up to \$1,000.

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