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Man killed in skiing accident

A skiing accident killed an Albuquerque man at Ski Santa Fe on Friday.

Santa Fe County Sheriff's Maj. Ron Madrid said the man hit a tree while skiing on an expert trail. He said the man was pronounced dead at the scene. His identity has not been released.

In February, a Santa Fe teenager died after he and some friends sneaked into the ski Area after hours to go sledding.

Two skiers died last season - one instructor was killed after hitting a tree and an Alabama teenager went over an embankment.

Woman suing over hostage incident

A woman who was taken hostage by an escaped bank robber is suing the Santa Fe County Commission and the company that operates the prison from which he escaped.

Stephanie Angus alleges in her complaint that the groups violated her civil rights by allowing Byron Shane Chubbuck to escape.

Chubbuck, convicted of 14 bank robberies, succeeded in escape on his fourth attempt, officials said. He got out of a prison transport van by using a handcuff key to unlock his shackles.



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