



Northwood Police Department

Case #: 9649-2a

RE: Reopening of Case - Death of Dr. Eleanor Vance

On behalf of the Northwood Police Department, I want to personally thank you for your persistence and sharp eye in reviewing this case. Thanks to your efforts, we have identified critical details that were overlooked in the original conclusion.

As you pointed out, the compound Aetherium-monochloride (aka Chloroxyline) noted in the toxicology report—could not have reached lethal levels through inhalation. This fact was not public knowledge at the time, since Chloroxyline was a newly developed substance within the Northwood Laboratory and its toxicological profile had not yet been made widely available. Because of your contribution, we now recognize that Dr. Eleanor Vance's death was not an accident but a homicide.

We have already requested the security camera footage and badge access logs from the night of Dr. Vance's death. Retrieving and reviewing this material will take some time.

Next Steps in the Investigation:

- Rule out any suspects who could not have been at the lab at the time of the murder.

Your assistance has proven invaluable in ensuring justice for Dr. Vance. Please continue to share any insights or observations you uncover as the investigation moves forward.

With appreciation,

Jean Harris

Detective Harris
Northwood Police Department

Death of Local Scientist Reclassified as Homicide

By: Lydia Harper

NORTHWOOD — The Northwood Police Department announced yesterday that the death of Dr. Eleanor Vance, a respected researcher at Northwood Laboratory, is now being investigated as a homicide.



Dr. Vance was found dead in her laboratory last month, and the case was initially ruled a tragic accident. However, following a fresh review of the case file by an anonymous outside reviewer, investigators determined that the circumstances surrounding her death warrant a renewed inquiry.

The department has not released further details at this time but emphasized that the case is “very much active.”

Dr. Vance’s partner, Ann Parker, shared a brief statement with the Gazette:

“Eleanor was the kind of person who gave everything she had to her work, her students, and the people she loved. To think someone may have taken her from us is devastating. But I’m grateful this case is finally being looked at for what it is. She deserves justice, and I believe the truth will come out.”

Colleagues at Northwood Laboratory described Dr. Vance as brilliant, meticulous, and deeply principled. Her research was said to be at the cutting edge of biotechnology, and her sudden death shocked both the scientific community and the wider town.

The Northwood Police Department has asked that anyone with information related to the case contact their tip line.

Around Northwood

High School Play Debuts

Northwood High will debut its latest play, *The Curious Case of the Clockmaker’s Daughter*, on Friday evening. Students have been building the set out of scrap wood collected from community donations, and Principal Harrow says the production will be “both quirky and heartfelt.”


Garden Club Raffle

The Northwoods Garden Club is holding its annual raffle this week. Prizes include a basket of tulip bulbs, a set of gardening tools, and the ever-popular “mystery plant”. Last year’s plant grown by Renee Carter turned out to be a pumpkin vine that took over half of her yard. Tickets are \$2 each, with proceeds supporting the flower beds along Main Street.

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Public events

5 pm - 6 pm - Physics is
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6 pm - 7 pm - The Biology
Gals

7pm - 8:30 pm - The Life of
a Scientist by Prof. Daniel
Keene

March 14

Educators, scientists,
students, and media

Networking
Latest research

Scientific events

5pm - 6 pm - Latest
results from X38
Astrological survey

6pm - 7pm
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