

# Camper Drowns In Quarry

SAVAGE, Md. (AP) — A camper from Ferndale, Md., drowned Sunday morning in a Howard County quarry posted with “no trespassing” signs because of frequent drownings there, police said.

Officers said Michael W. Halbig, 18, of 133 Linwood Rd. drowned after he accidentally fell about 100 feet from the quarry rim where he and eight friends were camping.

The friends said Halbig did not know how to swim. Police say the quarry owned by the Rouse Company of Columbia, Md. is 120 feet deep in some areas, and several people drown there each year.

Police say it was closed as a quarry about three years ago. It now looks like a large lake surrounded by rocky cliffs. The eight friends who were camping with Halbig were arrested and charged with trespassing at the quarry, police said.

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