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From: Margret Dagner
To: coldcases@yahoogroups.com
Date: 2/25/01 10:11pm
Subject: Re: [coldcases] oakland county child killer 1976-77 michigan

you can't get by the police to get to the parents..in 1991-1992 i did call two of the parents...even tho they called me back ..they were not allowed to say anything..det. just came up from two differant..oakland county dept...and they flubed it..because they wouldnt share the info..now i'm getting older and i want the family to know...i may go to the local paper...but i'm hoping that now that they dug up the wrong guy..that they get right at this...

l_bogart wrote:

>

> What about the parents of these children? They have a right to know. and
> to find peace. I know as a parent I would want to know and to have the
> person who did it convicted.

> Make the police see that what you have is valuable information. Go to
> the news with it if after you've turned the info over and they've done
> nothing.

> These children did not ask to die !

> Thanks Lillian

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From: Margret Dagner
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Date: 2/25/01 11:05pm
Subject: Re: [coldcases] Digest Number 215

hi..i like to tell you some thing that would matter to you ...but i don't think your looking at this as i hoped you would...i didn't sleep with .and he never asked...but he did think of me more than a friend...and he hoped there would be more...but when the cops started to interview him..he hated me for betraying his trust...i'm sure he never told anyone about this before...and im sure he hasnt since...his mother knows...she was called in for and interview..and his sister knows...because i listen in to a phone call she made,with out knowledge...and she told him to get out of there...before anyone found out the family secret...and you gess it i never found out the family secret...i hope you will stick with me...untill you find out more..i really have a lot to tell...

Lillie wrote:

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> >Helen:
> >Subject: oakland county child killer 1976-77 michigan
> >
> >=still unsolved..please care..during the winter months of
> >1976-77,fourchildren between the ages of 10-12 were abducted and killed in
> >andaround oakland county north of detrioit..victims were held for awhile
> >before they were killed ...were fed very well..and were bathedand
> >re-dressed..before they were murder...i have knowen since1991 whothe
> >killer is ..i spent many hours with him..he drew me maps of eachdrop off
> >site..told me things about each child..gave me his motive..ifell i know
> >just about every thing about this case..so if you wouldlike to talk about
> >it ..lets have your gestions...helen
>
> If this is so..why do the police not have this person in
> custody?? I cannot fathom that you spent time with this person...he drew
> maps and you are still alive??? Explain to me please why you have not
> given this information complete with drawings etc?
> If you have done so..why do the police not act on this
> information?? And, perhaps you can tell me how you sleep at night after
> spending time with this waste of skin...
> Somehow, when I read this...I have to doubt the facts as
> presented...something is not right here..because he would only have told me
> once he was a murderer of children and he'd either be behind bars or
dead!!!!
> I believe that if a police department cannot act on proof
> positive..the Attorney General's office should have been contacted by
> YOU..with all the evidence you claim to have...well...what else would one
> do to prove guilt if they have all the evidence...there is something wrong
> with this picture
>
> "Ya Ain't Gonna Win Unless you put up a good fight so
> don't give up hope any day or night" -- John Henry"
> My words are like dust in the wind...here but for a moment
> I pray you know my heart
> Shari - mother of three angels

BLK 00972

- > Donnie Nov 11/64 - Sept 12/74, accidental drowning, Abbotsford, BC, Canada
- > Kathryn-Mary (Kath) Nov 1/63 - abducted Sept 24/75 (date of death..unknown)
- > found murdered Nov
- > 17/75, Abbotsford/Matsqui BC area
- > William (Butch) Oct 21/61 - March 9/83 suicide by hanging, Nanaimo,
- > Vancouver Island, BC
- > http://www.justicewatch.com/kathryn/kathryn_mary.html
- > <http://www.dreamwater.net/godsangels/heavensangelstheherbertchildren.html>
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From: Margret Dagner
To: coldcases@yahoogroups.com
Date: 2/26/01 5:49am
Subject: Re: [coldcases] Re: Speaking from experience

james that was really good...and so true...if you could see how the differant dept. are actting on this ...like children...who will not share...and it's been like this from day one...the familys are not aware of this..but just amagine...he was right there all the time...they even talked to him..his family owned two homes side by side one was vacant..the children were killed on sunday's and wensday's...his days off...he matches the composit drawing...like a photo..i think if they could have realized early on that his motive wasn't sex..it may have helped..

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> --- In coldcases@y..., Margret Dagner <m.dagner@w...> wrote:
> > it's not that i didn't come forward..i did as soon as i knew for
> sure...but the police had there own ideas..and now that they know
> they were wrong...but i acturally had a police officer call me and ask
> how am i going to prove this...well how is he ???i gave him some of
> johns hair in1992...but he forgot that he had it...but now he knows
> and doesnt know if he can find it...

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> It's the same old problems just resurfacing in a different form. It
> eventually became common knowledge that one of the reasons the Zodiac
> killer was never caught was the lack of communication and willingness
> of officers from various counties to share any info from their files.

>
> I am not getting into the serial killer thing here because I loathe
> 90% of the books they put out on this subject (just people wanting to
> make a buck on some sensational crime). I am just saying that it is
> only through communication (internet is a great start) and the
> willingness of citizens/officers/etc that help bring closure to
> families or criminals to justice.

>
> -James-

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Alpena Witness
EMAILS

Ray Anger - BERKLEY PD
INVESTIGATION



Troy Police Department Investigations Division



500 W. Big Beaver, Troy, MI 48084-5254 (248) 525-3453

Fax

Date:	Friday, February 02, 2007
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To: Sgt. Garry Gray	Address or other information
Phone:	voice phone #
Fax Phone:	248-584-5783
CC:	

From: Det. Sgt. Barry Whiteside	500 W. Big Beaver Rd.
	Troy, MI 48084-5254
Phone:	248-524-3457
Fax Phone:	(248) 524-2135

REMARKS:

- Urgent For your review Reply ASAP Please comment

Garry, I hope things are going well with you. I have attached information that was forwarded to me on January 31, 2007. The informants name is . He spoke to the desk Officer and indicated that he has some information re: the OCCK case. He claims to be the "Alpena Witness", whatever that means. Anyway, I tried to get a hold of him this morning with no luck. I left a message for him to contact you. I have attached his information. Thanks.

Barry

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Keith A Frye

From:
Sent: Thursday, February 01, 2007 3:33 PM
To:
Subject:



wants to talk to someone about the Oakland child killer case. He says he has information but that it is very political, and that he has spoken with other departments. He said that he is the "Alpena witness" who, in 1991, was at the Big Boy with 'the discussion' took place.

Sue H

From:
To: <occk@michigan.gov>
Date: Wed, May 10, 2006 12:27 PM
Subject: Last comment

Det Gray;

One last email to you. I don't want you to think I'm a pest. I found more emails but I sent you the main ones. I did not want to swamp your email box.

The discussion on the phone was tough yesterday because it's not easy talking about this at work. I have Fridays off for the next few months. So if you ever care to talk in person we may be able to shoot for Fridays in early afternoon.

I don't like how some of the discussions went. I'd like to say that I'm not trying to cause trouble or mis-lead you in any way. I'm simply stating what I remember. Here's a few things that may be able to prove I was at least there.

Checked into Holiday Inn (Close to Big Boy) on Dec 26, 1991. They may have records. My wife and I are not sure if the room was checked under our name or her mother's name.

I have video tape of Holiday Inn pool with my son & daughter as toddlers with that date stamped on it (The video date).

My friend that went to Big Boy with me that night that wasn't feeling good has a 1991 calender with a note that I was in town on that date. He believes we went to Big Boy that night but he's not sure. He always had bad memory.

As I already stated I can identify the one man, Helen, waitress and possibly
1 to some extent (only saw the back of him except when he turned around for 1 second).

That's it. You won't hear from me again unless you contact me.

Regards,

From:
To: <occk@michigan.gov>
Date: Sun, May 7, 2006 5:23 PM
Subject: I'm Witness to Alpena Big Boy 1991 OCCK Discussion - Helen Dagner

Please Forward to Det. Gray on OCCK Investigation.

Let me start this off with, I was a witness to what has become an 'Internet myth' through the years. This is not a hoax by any means. I am a respectable and sincere witness. I would like my personal information to be kept confidential.

I live in Sterling Heights but I was born and raised in Alpena and happen to be visiting there during the holidays of 1991. I was sitting in a Big Boy restaurant on the evening of December 26, 1991 when I had a couple sitting in front of me. I now know this couple was Helen and . I'm absolutely positive of this and I'm absolutely positive of the date. I will never forget that night. It was a very strange night to say the least. I saw one of the maps being drawn and can describe it in detail. I heard portions of the discussion and there was no doubt the man was talking about how he interacted and killed these children. I could go in so much more detail but I want to be brief this first time with you.

I've corresponded with Helen Dagner over this for the past year and a half. Anyone that reads her site can see that she can be described as a loose cannon with a short fuse, to say the least. I know that the majority of LE treats her case like she fabricated this whole murder confession. Even I have to admit how questionable some of Helen's claims have appeared. For these reasons it has taken me longer to build enough nerve to come forward with this. It bothers me greatly that I know part of her story is indeed the truth. The murder discussions did take place at that restaurant and certain aspects of it sounded like a real murder confession.

I have approached various LE over this matter. To name a few: I talked to Don Studt in detail and in person from Birmingham Police this past year. I did talk on the phone briefly to Sgt Wurtz from Pontiac, which seemed to be a waste of time. I talked to Larry Koonze in person, retired chief of Alpena Police, which happens to know me since childhood. I also left a detailed message about this matter on the OCCK State Police Hotline. Some of my email to Helen Dagner was posted on her site, which described accurately the details I witnessed.

I could go into much more detail if you request. I could prove to you several different ways that I was at that restaurant on that date. I would also be willing to take tests to convince you, I'm telling the truth, if it helped in anyway. I'm personally not interested in the politics or the sensationalism of this case. I want to be kept anonymous. I don't want to get into the middle of the bickering between Helen Dagner and LE. That is not my nature. I'm simply a witness that is bothered by the fact that the discussions actually did take place.

To conclude, I'm not writing this to promote Helen Dagner even though it may seem that way. This email was just to open the doors in case you wanted to communicate with me directly. If there is anything I can do to

help, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Alpena_Witness

From:
To: <occk@michigan.gov>
Date: Tue, May 9, 2006 8:03 PM
Subject: Alpena_Witness - Main Write Up

- > Helen, please add to the old Maps thread if you feel it's appropriate.
- >
- > This will be my final writing on this. Some of it may appear as
- > re-hash stuff but some of it is new and more in depth as I recall more
- > things. When I first started writing to Helen over a year ago, I did
- > not want to go into details about everything I heard that night.
- > There were a few reasons one of them was that I still had troubles
- > accepting the fact that I heard these things and did not do anything
- > about it. Also I did not want to put on the image that I was simply
- > someone that read stuff off her sites and pretended to be a witness.
- > Therefore I avoided those things and instead described details that
- > were not posted anywhere to convince her and others that I'm a real
- > witness. That was why I described things such as exactly where they
- > sat at the restaurant, the exact date that this took place, what they
- > wore (although I'm partially wrong), her expressions that night which
- > I remember very well, other details and of course more recently
- > description of the one map. I also did not want to quote all the
- > stuff I heard that night, until I had a chance to talk to LE that were
- > directly involved with investigating this case in 91. I have now done
- > that this past year.
- >
- > Recently I made an effort to go to the Alpena Big Boy to have dinner.
- > I sat very near where I sat in 91 when Helen, , were there so that
- > I could recall things from that night. Even though the restaurant has
- > been somewhat remodeled from inside and has a different look, it still
- > brought me back memories from that night. When I think back on that
- > night I could never imagine that this would become an 'Internet myth'
- > many years later. In fact I would never have guessed that in a
- > million years. I may not remember every little detail exactly but I
- > distinctively remember things from that night. A strange night brings
- > back strange memories. I also remember my thoughts and impressions
- > from that night very clearly and I had plenty of them.
- >
- > Recalling that night from 91 in more detail, it was a strange night to
- > say the least. When we first sat down and the waitress served us, I
- > could tell that Helen and were in deep discussion over
- > something. They seemed to ignore the waitress comments she made about
- > the placemats. The placemats were spread all around their table. My
- > first impression was that they were deep in some studies. That Big
- > Boy always had college students that would bring their work in as they
- > had coffee. When John said something loud like "I Killed the
- > Children" it caught my attention rather quickly but I wasn't sure if I
- > heard that correctly. When he was going over the maps I remember the
- > key words, "murders", "newspapers", and "drop offs". At the time I
- > had no idea what a 'drop off' was. When he mention Troy area I
- > started to look around him at the map, which I described previously.
- > He was writing something at the top left while I could look around him
- > at the bottom right of the map. At this point I had the impression he

> was an investigator but I also thought that these cases were currently
> in the newspapers for some reason. After this the discussions got
> stranger and stranger. I don't remember the order that I heard things
> but one thing after another made me puzzled. As I stated previously,
> I knew nothing about OCCK in 91. One thing that I remember
> distinctively hearing said was "I wanted to live with the children
> before I killed them." This made me completely baffled at the time.
> I didn't think it was possible to do this. It never occurred to me
> that kidnapping took place at that instant. I could only hear pieces
> of the conversation so it wasn't all clear to me at the time. I was
> trying to figure out what this man was all about. One thing for
> certain was that he was trying to impress her and at the same time the
> way he talked it was very eerie kind of like when one opens up to a
> secret, like a lid was blown off and he was letting out steam. I
> think about the time he got into detail about giving baths to these
> children before killing them is where I started to think this was just
> a joke. Just the nature of discussing this type of thing at a
> restaurant so openly made me very skeptical. I remember thinking to
> myself "Yeah right! A murder confession at a Big Boy the day after
> Christmas". As I stated previously what further bothered me was that
> his back was facing the door. I wondered if this man was stoned
> somehow to be talking this way. He seemed out of his mind to not be
> conscience of people around him. Talking that way was going to draw
> attention obviously and he didn't seem to react when a person walked
> by their table nor did he lower his voice. The Big Boy staff walked by
> a quite a few times especially the waitress to fill their coffee. I
> recall a woman that passed by the table, all I remember was that she
> had a limp as she walked by. She must have walked by a few times for
> me to remember it. I remember the basic theme to his discussion was
> his personal interaction to these children and how he killed them.
> One thing that struck me so strange was that he described things in so
> much detail and in a spontaneous way like it was pulled from memory
> rather than making it up as he went along. In other words it sounded
> very real except that the content was so obscure. Most of it is faded
> memory now but I do remember the mentioning about a bike, backpack,
> storybook. What is so sick, is he talked like he was a friend with
> these children. They watched TV, played games together, he prepared
> dinners for them and they did a lot of talking. A few other things I
> remember, he described how he stuck something up one of the boy's
> rectum after killing him. There was some point during the discussion
> that a bunch of people was checking out paying their bills at the
> register where I could not hear any of the discussion. Big Boy back
> then had this old fashion cash register that was very loud so when the
> bills were being paid the register kept ringing loudly. When I could
> hear the discussion again he said 'Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds'. I
> flipped out, I thought to myself what on earth made the discussion
> jump to a Beatles song? At this time I thought it was witty how he
> seemed to imitate Charles Manson on how it all relates back to a
> Beatles song. Only when I read Helen's info some 14 years later did
> I know the connection to this song. I remember distinctively when he
> used a hand gesture like he was holding a gun when he said "I shot her
> in the head in the snow." I remember he said something about
> leaving a chicken bone in the back pocket of one of the victims. This
> struck me so strange at the time it sounded like a make believe game.
>
> It's difficult to find words to describe this experience. I guess one

> word would be 'surreal'. I couldn't tell if this was a real murder
> confession or a gag of some sort. And if it was a gag where exactly
> was it going? Whatever the case I was at the edge of my seat during
> the whole thing. The way he talked about it and described things
> elaborately in so much detail it sounded very real. Since I was
> completely oblivious about OCCK, the whole discussion was completely
> obscure to me. . Maybe I just didn't want to believe what I was
> hearing that night. I wondered to myself if I was imagining hearing
> this stuff, after all it seemed way over the top. I was favoring that
> it was a gag for the most part. Of course now I can say mostly for
> all the wrong reasons. One thought that started to occur to me was
> that maybe this man was finding a way to dump this relationship and
> came up with wild child murder stories to scare her off. Helen did
> seem very hurt, horrified and frustrated in fact there were a few
> times it looked like she was going to walk out on him. I don't
> really remember her saying much, it seemed he did all the talking
> which further promoted this idea. I know she was a smoke chimney that
> night, she actually smoked more cigarettes than I did.

>
> My last thought that night was, give this guy an Emmy because make
> believe murders means make believe victims. It seemed that all the
> victims' names were simple first names that would be easy to make up.
> The names, Tim and Jill, I remember distinctively he referenced.
> Sounds silly now that I concluded this but that was how I thought that
> night. Furthermore I had no idea what to tell the police if I decided
> to report this. I figure I was over-reacting to a gag and kind of
> laughed it off and never gave it another thought until ...

>
> I can't find words to describe the feeling I had when I read one of
> Helen's post about this some 14 years later. Talk about a rude
> awakening. I first total denied to myself that I witnessed this, I
> felt guilty that I blew it off. I started to have flash backs from
> that night at Big Boy and I couldn't shut it off. I started to read
> Helen's web site and just couldn't believe that these were real
> murders and victims that were being discussed that night. It's almost
> like a practical joke that was played on me. I started to feel really
> stupid that I failed to recognize any of this at the time. Even when
> I first wrote to Helen I did not admit everything I witnessed I just
> couldn't. It has taken me a great deal of time to fully accept the
> fact that I witnessed this and actually heard a portion of the
> discussions.

>
> There is a great resistance to believing Helen's claims and I know
> that first hand. Being a witness to this is much like seeing a UFO.
> When I first discussed this to a few close friends I had them read
> Helen's site before hand. They started to laugh saying how fictional
> it all sounded. When I told them I was a witness to this they thought
> I was pulling their leg. I eventually talked to various LE about it.
> The last one told me that there were other witnesses to 1 and
> Helen's meetings at Big Boy. The discussions at Big Boy do not seem
> to be the issue. All I know for certain is that they did take place.

>
> Search the Truth,

>
> Alpena_Witness

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From: >
To: <occk@michigan.gov>
Date: Tue, May 9, 2006 8:07 PM
Subject: Alpena_Witness Comment About LE

> Helen, Please post on map thread.
>
> I'm very touched by the responses to my post. Thanks.
>
> I would like to make something very clear. I'm not here to challenge
> or judge the LE investigations. I'm not claiming. is OCCK. Nor
> am I necessarily supportive of ALL of Helen's claims.
>
> I'm only stating with what I know is fact and that is that; the
> discussions took place at Big Boy in 91. I was very disturbed by them
> and that's why I recall things. I have written as accurate as I can
> the details and impressions from that night. I'm not one to
> over-react to a couple little things heard the wrong way this is not
> the case. I know for a fact that Helen's claims about the
> discussions at Big Boy are not fabrication, they actually did take place.
>
>
> Search the Truth,
>
> Alpena_Witness
>

From:
To: <occk@michigan.gov>
Date: Tue, May 9, 2006 8:15 PM
Subject: Alpena_Witness Asking About Taking Notes @ Big Boy

- > Helen;
- >
- > My friend just brought up an interesting point. He told me that you
- > must have been doing a lot of writing that night at Big Boy to
- > remember all those details. The strangest thing about that is I
- > don't remember you doing any writing at all. The man you were with
- > was doing the writing and that was only on the maps themselves.
- >
- > Alpena Witness

From:
To: <occk@michigan.gov>
Date: Tue, May 9, 2006 8:20 PM
Subject: Alpena_Witness Details of Troy Map from Memory

> Helen;

>

> Before you post those maps I would like to be tested for my memory
> again. Just for fun. I may be wrong about the stripped pants but I
> believe I remember the one map. Please tell me how far off I am after
> some 14 years.

>

> As I already stated when the man you were talking to at Big Boy was
> discussing the Troy area I had a quick glance at the map he was
> writing on. I want to correct my previous writing because I saw the
> bottom right area of the map only. It was done in pencil I believe.
> The main road was 75 coming down the center. I remember it was real
> evident to me because he had 75 with a circle around it and he had on
> there quite a few places along 75. (Let's just say overly labeled).
> The roads crossing 75 were labled but they were too small for me to
> read from where I was sitting. I thought there was an X somewhere to
> the right signifying something. The maps should have a crease down
> the center because I remember you folded them in half as you got up to
> leave that night. I also believe the placemats themselves had some
> type of Christmas art work on them. (Being the day after Christmas)

>

> How close am I?

>

> Alpena_Witness

>