

From: Garry Gray
To: Lieutenants Operations
Date: 4/20/2007 3:29:12 PM
Subject: Sentencing of Theodore Lamborgine

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At this time we cannot say he is the Oakland County Child Killer, or was involved in some way shape or form, (although we feel he has some information), but at least he will be in a place safe away from children.

Other avenues to solve the State's most notorious unsolved murders of 4 children are in the works, and the books are not closed on Lamborgine, YET!

D/Sgt. Garry Gray

CC: Darryl Hill; David Robertson; jouellet@cleemis.org; Robert Clark

From: Daniel Bateman
To: Gray, Garry
Date: 4/20/2007 4:25:05 PM
Subject: Re: Sentencing of Theodore Lamborgine

Garry:

As always, I am impressed by your tenacity and excellent detective work! You have, indeed, put someone behind bars who will never harm a child again. You represent MSP in the finest fashion and I am proud to serve with you.

Dan

>>> Darryl Hill 4/20/2007 3:48 PM >>>
Thanks Garry,

I will pass this along to District Command...

D. Hill

>>> Garry Gray 4/20/2007 3:29 PM >>>

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CC: Command Staff; Hill, Darryl

BLK 03397

From: David Robertson
To: Langenfeld, Peter
Date: 4/24/2007 1:17:02 PM
Subject: Re: Theodore Lamborgine Livescan

Thanks Pete,

However, the defendant (Lamborgine) was convicted of all the counts listed. He received three LIFE terms and the rest were 10-15 years, to run concurrent with each other.

First Degree Counts were;	One in Southgate 28th District Court	=	LIFE
	Two in City of Detroit 36th District Court	=	LIFE
Second Degree Count;	One in Romulus 34th District Court	=	10-15 years
Third Degree Counts;	Eleven Counts in 36th District Court	=	10-15 years
	<u>TOTAL 15 Counts</u>		

All to run concurrent

This help at all?

Dave

>>> Peter Langenfeld 4/24/2007 10:49 AM >>>

I resubmitted the transaction and the information has been added to CCH. I have attached a copy of the CCH. If you want any changes to the arrest info please advise. Great work on putting him where he belongs.

Pete

Pete Langenfeld
Identification Unit
Michigan State Police
517-636-0122

>>> David Robertson 4/23/2007 11:55 AM >>>

Rita,

We have learned that when you did the livescan on Lamborgine, no charges were entered into the system. When this happens, it will record his photo in SNAP, and provide Person Information, but will not allow the court to update the charges, and record them for his Criminal History.

When Lamborgine's name is run for a CCH, there is nothing. Pete Langenfeld (517) 636-0122 advised that it can be corrected at your station. Or, I think Pete could do it. I just wanted to make sure you were aware of this.

TCN# CS07000830E

Below is the information for his CCH:

Theodore Norman Lamborgine, W/M, DOB
5'09", 185 lbs, brown eyes, gry hair.

Charges:

Case# 2006630192 28th District Court

CSC 1st Degree (Person under 13) MCL 750.520b(1)(a) 1 Count

Case# 2006630193 34th District Court

CSC 2nd Degree (Person under 13) MCL 750.520c(1)(a) 1 Count

Case# 2006630182 36th District Court

CSC 1st Degree (Person under 13) MCL 750.520b(1)(a) 3 Counts

CSC 3rd Degree (Person 13-15) MCL 750.520d(1)(a) 12 Counts

If you need anything else just give Garry or I a call.

Thanks
Dave R.

CC: Gray, Garry; Murphy, Rita

April 27, 2007

Phil

Enclosed in the packet is the original cassette of the interview at the Macomb Correctional Facility.

He voluntarily allowed us to buccal swab him for his DNA. It was sent to your crime lab in Quantico. Dr. Connie Fisher has received the sample, along with an explanation regarding your case. I provided her with your Cell #, (hope you don't mind), and your current investigation complaint number.

Your crime lab contacted me just the other day confirming that they do in fact have the two samples, regarding and one of my suspects on the child killer investigation.

During the course of interview at the prison, he seemed sincere regarding the questions on my case and the Cleveland cases. The only times he seemed to get upset, was when we talked about the matter that caused him to go into the joint. Other than that, everything else seemed alright.

Shortly after our interview at the prison, sent Detective Anger the attached hand-written letter advising that he will no longer cooperate with the investigations any further????????????????? During our interview, he was more than cooperative, even regarding taking a polygraph. Go figure!!!!!!!

Well we at least have his DNA now.

Hope things go well for you...

D/Sgt. Garry Gray
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248-584-5774

BLK 03400

From: Garry Gray
To: Thomas Dirlam
Date: Tue, Feb 27, 2007 1:53 PM
Subject: OCK evidence

Inspector

Dave and I will be bringing up the evidence from the Kristine Mihelich homicide on Thursday, March 1st in the AM.

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From: Garry Gray
To: Julie Howenstine
Date: Wed, May 16, 2007 1:24 PM
Subject: Oakland County Child Killer Investigation

Dr. Howenstine

Hope everything is well with you. Just checking in to see how things are going and to see if there's anything else you need me to do.

Thanks

Garry

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
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EAST LANSING



COL. PETER MUNOZ
DIRECTOR

January 4, 2008

Dr. Alice Isenberg
DNA Unit 2
2501 Investigation Parkway
Quantico, Va. 22135

Dear Dr. Isenberg,

Please present this Certificate of Appreciation to Dr. Constance Fisher, for her outstanding work, dedication and assistance to the Michigan Department of State Police, regarding the cold case investigation of the Oakland County Child Murders.

This case dates back to the mid 1970's, when four children, ages 10 to 12, were independently abducted, held for a number of days, murdered and then discarded along the sides of roadways in Oakland County, Michigan. These crimes began in February of 1976, and abruptly ended in March of 1977. Shortly after the final victim, a task force consisting of approximately 300 investigators began the grizzly task of trying to solve this case. Unfortunately the case wasn't solved, and the task force was disbanded many years ago. There are however, still a handful of investigators pursuing leads. As of this writing, the case still remains unsolved.

For years, all we've had for evidence was a hair taken from one of our victims. This hair was analyzed by your unit and is currently our only piece of DNA, (Mitochondrial) that we have on record to check current and past suspects against.

In February of 2005, when this case was reactivated, there were only two suspects who had been checked against this evidence. When I learned that Dr. Fisher was the lead analyst from the FBI crime lab, I called her to inquire what I would need to do if we develop a suspect, and would she be willing to do the analysis. Dr. Fisher immediately responded by saying, "Absolutely". Since this first conversation, Dr. Fisher has now analyzed the DNA of nine additional suspects on our case. Not only has Dr. Fisher gone to great lengths to assist us, her turn around time in getting answers back to us has been very rapid.

Please present Dr. Fisher with this small token of our sincere appreciation, for going above and beyond. She is truly an integral part of our "Team" investigating the "Oakland County Child Murders".

Sincerely

D/Sgts. Garry Gray & David Robertson
Michigan State Police, Metro North Post
14350 Ten Mile Rd.
Oak Park, MI 48237

In December of 2004, a decision was made to reactivate the Oakland County Child Killer Investigation due to the cold case status it has held for many years. Detectives Gray and Robertson, with the approval of 2nd District Command, worked out a game plan to rejuvenate the case, and decided this would best be accomplished with the assistance of the news media. In January of 2005, a press conference was held, which included the original police agencies involved during the original Task Force days of the 1970's. New life was breathed back into the case, and the public became very much involved even after 30 years.

When a call was placed to Livonia Police Department to invite them to the press conference, Detective Williams of Livonia, advised that they had just arrested an individual, [redacted] for the murder of a Livonia resident and the owner of a Cab Co located in the Cass Corridor in the City of Detroit. This individual led officers in many directions through numerous interviews. Many times [redacted] claimed to know the identity of the Oakland County Child Killer. During subsequent interviews with other individuals who were eventually discovered in the original task force tip files, the officers were now faced with the monumental task of conducting this investigation. The officers soon learned that investigating a case of this magnitude and this old, proved to be more difficult than originally thought.

While looking into the life of [redacted] (a known pedophile), and one time snitch for the Detroit Police Departments sex crimes unit, a very large ring of pedophiles was uncovered that operated in the Cass Corridor section of the city of Detroit. One individual in particular came to light by the name of Theodore Lamborgine. Lamborgine fled Michigan in the late 70's, and took up residence in Parma Hgts. Ohio. During the early investigation into Lamborgine, officers decided to at least clear him via a polygraph. On September 6, 2006, Lamborgine was given a polygraph at 2nd District Headquarters.

The following information will be contained in bullet format due to the complexity of this investigation: The below information is not all inclusive, but are some of the highlights of the almost 3 year investigation into Lamborgine, [redacted] and the Oakland County Child Killer Investigation:

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- There have been 6 separate Surveillances conducted by the MSP, FBI and the Livonia Police Department in Ohio, regarding Lamborgine.
- Detectives Steve Scharschmidt and Mockler from Parma Hgts. Assisted numerous times to gain much needed intelligence on Lamborgine.
- When Lamborgine failed to provide information the Task Force felt he was withholding, numerous additional out of state interviews regarding past victims of

Criminal Sexual Conducts at the hands of Lamborgine and Lawson were conducted. Officers traveled to:

1. Tennessee
2. Mississippi
3. Florida
4. Arizona
5. Michigan
6. Amsterdam (Netherlands) FBI

This investigation required thousands of man hours, with many of those hours of investigation being conducted on personal time. However, while in pursuit of the Oakland County Child Killer, officers uncovered the underbelly world of Pedophilia and child sexual assaults being committed by Lamborgine and Lawson that dated back to the mid 1970's.

Prosecutor Robert Moran of the Wayne County Prosecutors office was instrumental in the investigation, providing officers with legal advice, search warrants, proffer statements and much needed support for the officers in the field. Without his patient support, the dozens of sex crimes that both Lawson and Lamborgine were charged with would not have been made possible. We on the task force, are forever indebted to Rob for his assistance.

The Michigan State Police Crime Lab assigned a full time analyst: Dr. Julie Howenstine to go over all of the evidence involved with this case. This process literally took months to accomplish and much needed additional new evidence was discovered that may one day, hopefully solve this case.

Dr. Constance Fisher of the FBI Crime Lab in Quantico has also been an integral part of this investigation in the field of Mitochondrial DNA testing.

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This massive investigation which literally paralyzed the State of Michigan over thirty years ago, and to some extent to this day, is still being pursued by the below listed team of investigators. However, as a result of this investigation, dozens, maybe hundreds of boys ages 9 to 14 back in the 1970's have been given closure with the prosecutions and life sentences of these two MONSTERS, Theodore Lamborgine and Richard Lawson, who preyed on these young boys many, many years ago.

OFFICERS TO BE RECOGNIZED:

1. Agent John Ouellet.....FBI
2. D/Sgt. Cory Williams.....Livonia Police Department
3. D/Sgt. Raymond Anger.....Berkley Police Department, (Retired)
4. Detective Steve Scharschmidt...Parma Hgts. Police Department
5. Sgt. Wayne Mockler.....Parma Hgts. Police Department
6. Dr. Constance FisherFBI Crime Lab Quantico Va.
7. Agent Jason Bollinger.....FBI

Darryl, I could conceivably do a ten page report if I were to put down all that we've done on the Lamborgine and Lawson case alone, not to mention the many other follow-ups that have been completed. I believe to date I have over 100 supps regarding the Lamborgine/Lawson case as well at the OCCK investigation.

Although we're closing the case on Lawson, Lamborgine is still active. We just haven't been able to find anything yet that can conclusively link him to the Child Killer case

During a thirteen month period in 1976 and 1977, a string of children homicides occurred in southeast lower Michigan which literally paralyzed the region for many years. Four of the children homicides appeared to be connected and was labeled "The Oakland County Child Killer" investigation. This set off a state-wide manhunt for the killer(s) and a task force consisting of over 250 State, Local and Federal investigators, directed by the Michigan State Police was established. The task force operated for several years before disbanding, however, during this time period more than 26,000 documented investigations were conducted, involving tens of thousands of suspects. Although the investigation fell into a cold case status, officers still, periodically received tips regarding suspects. To this very date, the case still remains, "Unsolved"

In December of 2004, a decision was made to reactivate the Oakland County Child Killer Investigation due to the cold case status it has held for many years. Detectives Garry Gray and David Robertson, with full support of the commanding officers of the Michigan State Police, worked out a game plan to rejuvenate the case. To accomplish this task, officers decided the best course of action would be to seek the assistance of the news media. In January of 2005, a press conference was held, which included the 10 original police agencies involved during the original Task Force days of the 1970's. New life was breathed back into the case, and the public became very much involved, even after 30 years.

When a call was placed to Livonia Police Department inviting them to the press conference, Detective Cory Williams of Livonia advised that they had just arrested an individual, (Richard Lawson), for a 1986 murder of a Livonia resident who owned a Cab Co located in the Cass Corridor in the City of Detroit. When Lawson was arrested in California, he made statements to Detective Williams that he knew the identity of the "Oakland County Child Killer". During subsequent task force interviews with Richard Lawson, numerous individuals associated with a pedophile ring which operated out of the infamous "Cass Corridor" area of Detroit was uncovered. These individuals came to the attention of the newly formed task force, (which now only consisted of 4 officers). Officers soon learned that investigating a case of this magnitude and this old, proved to be more difficult than originally thought.

While looking into the life of Richard Lawson, (a known pedophile), and one time snitch for the Detroit Police Departments sex crimes unit in the 1970's, officers first learned of this pedophile ring. One individual in particular came to light by the name of Theodore Lamborgine. During the early investigation of Lamborgine, officers discovered that in the late 1970's, he abruptly left Michigan, leaving his family and friends and took up residence in Parma Hgts. Ohio. Detectives traveled to Parma Hgts. Ohio and interviewed Ted Lamborgine.

During Lamborgine's first interview, he openly admitted that he was involved with children and preferred children sexually over adult relationships however he completely denied any involvement in the Child Killer investigation.

As a standard course of investigation, (which was utilized hundreds of times over the thirty years of this case), officers offered Lamborgine a polygraph examination to clear himself. On September 6, 2006, Lamborgine voluntarily came to Michigan and was given a polygraph by the State Police.

Detectives Garry Gray and David Robertson, (Michigan State Police), Detective Cory Williams, (Livonia Police Dept.) and Special Agent John Ouellet, (F.B.I), were involved in the investigation of Theodore Lamborgine and Richard Lawson.

a surveillance team was placed on him while officers drew up a search warrant for his residence in Ohio. 14 hours after the polygraph, officers conducted a search of Lamborgine's apartment which proved futile. Nothing was found, however after the search, officers spoke with Lamborgine. When told him that "We" Knew

he was involved in the killing of the children from Oakland County. Ted's only response was, "I've been forgiven".

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- When Lamborgine provided information to the Ohio Detectives about past victims, the Task Force traveled out of state to interview these children, who are now men in their 40's.

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Although Theodore Lamborgine and Richard Lawson were never directly linked to the Oakland County Child Killer investigation, many plausible theories as to Lamborgine's involvement have been looked into. (Lawson passed a polygraph regarding his non-involvement). Officers requested Prosecutor Moran research the feasibility of charging the two for the many sex crimes they committed on these boys as young as 9 years old, who are now men. As a result, dozens of various counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct warrants were issued to both Lamborgine and Lawson as a result of the investigation.

As an investigatory tool to solve the homicides, officers procured a proffer statement issued by the U.S.A.G's. office, to the Wayne County Prosecutor's. This proffer agreement would secure a federal prison for Lamborgine, under the witness protection plan, where he would be given a new identity and sentence charge, only, if he voluntarily gave up the information officers felt he still possessed about the Child Killing Investigation. In addition to the proffer statement, a greatly reduced sentence was also worked out between attorneys to hopefully persuade Lamborgine to cooperate.

Theodore Lamborgine flatly refused to cooperate whatsoever and insisted that he plead guilty to all 15 counts and not the two that were offered as a part of the agreement. In April of 2007, Theodore Lamborgine was sentenced to three consecutive life terms for Criminal Sexual Conduct in the first degree, and numerous additional years for various other counts of CSC. He is currently serving his life sentence at the Macomb Corrections Facility.

Richard Lawson insisted on a Jury trial for the one count of (C.S.C.) first degree he was charged with and demanded that he be allowed to represent himself. He too was found guilty and sentenced to life in prison.

Although officers were unable to Link Theodore Lamborgine to the Oakland County Child Killing investigation, closure has been given to dozens if not hundreds of victims that have been molested during the course of Lawson and Lamborgine's pathetic lives.

Many of these victims some of whom have given statements at Lamborgine's and Lawson's sentencing, have told officers of how grateful they are that they now have peace of mind knowing these two monsters didn't get away with what they did to them many years ago and won't do it again.

AS A SIDE NOTE: When officers re-activated the case, the Michigan State Police Crime Lab assigned a full time analyst: Dr. Julie Howenstine to go over all of the evidence associated with this case that has been kept in "Long term storage" for 30 years. This process literally took months to accomplish and much needed additional new evidence was discovered which may one day, hopefully solve this case.

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