SYNOPSIS OF INTERVIEW WITH LEONARD ARNOLD RUKKILA (Jylha)

Leonard was interviewed at his residence in Negaunee MI on 01-31-12 by D/Sgt's Glover and Hendrick.

Leonard was born to Nilo Jylha and Jennie Norlund

Leonard never met his father Nilo Jylha

Leonard has one brother name Neil "Marvin" Rukkila (Jylha)

Leonard and Marvin were given the last name Rukkila when their mother married Hugo Rukkila

Leonard and Marvin grew up on the family dairy farm located at 4969 ET Rd, Eben Junction MI, and attended Eben High School.

Leonard indicated that 5 or 6 years ago he was contacted by Loretta Kinnen from Minnesota after her father had died. Leonard indicated she had found some paperwork indicating she was his ½ sister.

Leonard has a ½ brother that he has never met and does not remember his name (Loretta's brother)

Leonard worked the farm and as a meat cutter prior to joining the army at the age of 17

Leonard was stationed in Japan and Korea. In Korea he served as a heavy weapon machine gunner on the front line for approximately 6 months until his third child was born then he was removed from combat.

Leonard joined the Michigan State Police and attained the rank of Sgt. Leonard was assigned to the following posts throughout his career:

Wakefield

St. Ignace

Erie

Monroe

Ypsilanti

Leonard was assigned to the Ypsilanti Post for thirteen years and was assigned there during the period of 1976-1978. Leonard indicated during his career he had rotating days off and rotating shifts.

Leonard purchased 1 year of military time and retired in 1981. After retiring from MSP Leonard went to work for the Romulus Police Department. Leonard left Romulus after 10 years of service. He indicated he was the Deputy Chief at the time he left.

Leonard thinks that he lived on Livonia street in Ypsilanti while assigned there. He thought the address may have been 1513 Livonia.

Leonard indicated he and his wife played cards with some of the neighbors on Friday nights, but they were not that close to any of them.

Leonard was not aware of anyone who attended Southfield High School and did not know anything about a home or property on Lasher road.

Leonard said that he and his family had a small Doxen when they lived in Monroe, however the dog got out of the house and was hit and killed by a car. That was the only pet the family had.

Leonard occasionally attended the Lutheran Church in Chatam MI, but stated they did not go often.

Leonard had a camper for a while and took Rodney camping some. The campgrounds were mostly in the U.P. Once or twice they camped in the Lower around Harrison.

Leonard was not involved with the boy scouts.

Leonard claimed his brother Marvin only left the U.P. a couple of times when he visited Leonard in Ypsilanti. Marvin dropped out of school and never obtained a drivers license. Leonard said Marvin never really left the family farm, did not have a girlfriend, and does not believe he ever fathered any children.

Leonard said he rented out the farm house to four men after his brother died. He recently remodeled the farm house and is scheduled to sell it in the next week.

Leonard said that most of Marvin's belongings were given to the Salvation Army after he died. Leonard was in possession of a watch that belonged to Marvin. Leonard allowed us to take the watch for DNA testing.

Leonard only met Ed Sloan once or twice. He thinks he may have visited the farm in Eben once with Rodney. Leonard knew that Ed had gone to prison for molesting children.

Leonard claimed that he did not really know Ed and was unable to answer any questions about his activities, habits, or hobbies.

SYNOPSIS OF INTERVIEW WITH ALAN DEAN RUKKILA:

Alan was interviewed at his residence in Trenary MI on 01-31-12 by D/Sgt's Glover and Hendrick.

Alan indicated he was born in Marquette to Jalmer and Tyne Rukkila

Alan has lived in Trenary his entire life except for 2 years when he and his wife lived in Waukegan IL where he attended college for one semester.

Alan worked in the mines for 5 years then worked at K I Sawyer air force base. He now runs a saw mill operation out of his residence.

Alan is married to Marilyn and has four daughters and no sons.

Alan was in the army.

Alan does have a CDL but has never used it.

Alan only sees Leonard occasionally at weddings or funerals.

Alan is not a hunter.

Alan's wife's sister lives in Highland Twp. and he and his wife have visited her a couple of times over the years.

Alan denied being in the Detroit metropolitan area during the period of 1976-1978.

Alan said he has attended the Lutheran church in Trenary but not on a regular basis.

Alan denied knowing anything about the house or property on Lasher Rd.

Alan denied knowing Sloan.

Alan voluntarily consented to a buccal swap to collect his DNA.

SYNOPSIS OF INTERVIEW WITH DAVID LEVI JYLHA: (904)-475-9174

David was interviewed at Ramada Inn in Marquette MI on 02-01-12 by D/Sgt's Glover and Hendrick.

David was born on to Levi Michael Jylha and Alice Fitzpatrick Jylha.

David's father Levi passed away approximately 3 years ago and is buried in Negaunee.

David has three sisters and one brother Mark Joseph Jylha who he does not stay in contact with. David claimed that he does not know where is brother is.

David said that his grandfather's name was Matti or Matt.

David said his aunt Linnea Wheeler has compiled a family tree. Linnea lives at 3119 Albert Ln., Gwinn MI, but spends her winters in Alabama.

David said his father was in the Army and stationed in Texas and Alaska prior to David's birth.

David said he was born in Marquette MI and has lived there his entire life, except for 4 years he lived in Texas (1982-1986).

The only time David has been to the Metro Detroit area was in 2006 for a job training seminar located at a hotel near metro airport.

David said he has an aunt Patricia Jamison on his mother's side of the family that resides in Pontiac.

David said his father received a phone call 5 or 6 years ago from a woman in Minnesota who claimed she found her father's birth certificate after he died and discovered that he had fathered children in Michigan.

David denied knowing Sloan.

David refused to provide a DNA sample.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Copy of the death certificate for Neal Marvin Rukkila was obtained.

Photographs were taken of Marvin's farm house and barn.

Photographs were taken of the home Leonard lived in next to the farm.

Photographs were taken of the cemetery where Marvin is buried.

















