



Summit County Sheriff's Office

Deputy Report for Incident 04-L08684

Nature: Death
Location: WEB

Address: MIDDLE FORK OF Weber Canyon
Oakley UT 84055

Offense Codes: DBOD

Received By: Shaw D D

How Received: T

Agency: SCSO

Responding Officers: Gines D

Responsible Officer: Siddoway A

Disposition: CNA 06/28/04

When Reported: 08:59:50 06/28/04

Occurred Between: 08:59:50 06/28/04 and 08:59:50 06/28/04

Assigned To:

Detail:

Date Assigned: **/**/**

Status:

Status Date: **/**/**

Due Date: **/**/**

Complainant: 1K10

Last: Siddoway

First: Alan

Mid: Layne

DOB: **/**/**

Dr Lic:

Address: 6300 JUSTICE CENTER RD

Race: W

Sex: M

Phone:

City: Park City, UT 84098

Alert Codes:

DTPY Deputy Sheriff

Offense Codes

Reported: DBOD Dead Body

Observed:

Additional Offense: DBOD Dead Body

Circumstances

Responding Officers:

Unit :

Gines D

K82

Responsible Officer: Siddoway A

Agency: SCSO

Received By: Shaw D D

Last Radio Log: **:*.**:** **/**/**

How Received: T Telephone

Clearance: No code

When Reported: 08:59:50 06/28/04

Disposition: CNA **Date:** 06/28/04

Judicial Status:

Occurred between: 08:59:50 06/28/04

Misc Entry:

and: 08:59:50 06/28/04

Modus Operandi:

Description :

Method :

Involvements

Date	Type	Description
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Narrative

Dead Body Investigation Narrative

1. Date, time, location, circumstances, by whom body was discovered:

06/26/04 & 06/27/04 at appx. 1135 hrs. by Rocky Mountain Search Dog Team 1 while searching in the Middle Fork Area of the Weber Drainage. The remains were located in the upper portion of the drainage near a naturally occurring rock shelter in a grove of pine trees. The GPS coordinates of the scene are N 40 41.849 W 110 59.799. This area is part of the Wasatch National Forest and is located near Long and Watson Mountains.

2. Date, time victim last seen alive; by whom:

THIS CASE IS RELATED TO SUMMIT COUNTY MISSING PERSON CASE #03-L10996. There are two victims in this case Carole B. Wetherton and her daughter Kimberlee Ann Beverly. Wetherton and Beverly were known last seen on 09/08/04 in the Wasatch National Forest by Brenda Bushell and advised they were going hiking. The pair were reported missing on 09/13/04 after they failed to return to Georgia as planned. Their rented vehicle was found at the Crystal Lake Trailhead appx. 2.89 miles from where there remains were discovered.

3. Position of the body when discovered:

The remains are skeletonized and co-mingled. The remains were scattered in an area with personal effects about the rock shelter. The farthest remain was located appx. 400 ft. from the shelter.

4. Unusual marks on the body:

The remains were scattered by animal activity and show evidence of being gnawed by animals. I was advised that the ends of the bone being gnawed off is consistent with Coyote activity.

5. Medical aid given prior to death; by whom:

Unknown. The shelter was naturally occurring but had pine boughs placed on the floor and a survival blanket torn into pieces and pushed into the crevices to seal it. A first aid kit had been opened at the site and medical tape was lying out. As noted in the original missing person case, the weather changed dramatically on the day the pair were last seen.

6. Apparent cause of death determined at scene by investigation officer:

The scene was consistent with the pair seeking shelter from the severe weather in the area. It appears as though they may have removed some clothing to dry while seeking shelter. Given the scene conditions, I believe the pair died as a result of exposure to the elements.

7. Time medical examiner notified; his actions:

I (Siddoway) was on scene while the search exercise was being conducted. When the search teams advised of finding a camp this officer went to the site with Det. Sgt. Wilde. I confirmed the presence of skeletonized remains as possibly human. Sgt. Wilde and I examined the personal effects in the camp and found items consistent with items described as belonging to Wetherton and Beverly. Among those items was a writing pen with Jim Wetherton's name on it. On 06/26/04 I collected the remains that were located by search teams. The site was secured that night by Gary Hanay and Brent Black of Summit County Search and Rescue.

On the morning of 06/27/04 I transported the collected remains to the Utah State Medical Examiner's Office in Salt Lake City. The remains were examined by Dr. Todd Grey. Dr. Grey advised that the majority of the remains were of human origin and he believed that there was a minimum of two separate persons

represented. I obtained two OME case numbers at that time.
THIS CASE IS FILED UNDER OME CASE #2004-0969 FOR WETHERTON.
THIS CASE IS FILED UNDER OME CASE #2004-0970 FOR BEVERLY.

On 06/27/04 I returned to the scene and assisted with scene processing.
Additional remains were collected to include, a tooth, hair and additional bone.

On 06/28/04 the remains were examined by Jane Hoff who is a Forensic Anthropologist. Hoff advised that the remains were for the most part of human origin. She advised that there were a minimum number of two individuals represented. Hoff advised that there were two right Femurs and two right Humerus'. She advised due to the animal activity on the bone that she was unable to get an accurate measurement to speculate on the height of the individuals. When Hoff had finished her examination, Criminalist Gabriel Bier sampled tissue on four of the bones for DNA analysis.

On 06/30/04 Bier advised that one of the samples had yielded a DNA analysis and the findings were as listed below. Bier advised that the Utah State Crime Lab could not process bone for DNA analysis and that would have to be done by a private lab.

On 07/06/04 I took the portion of the right Femur which had not been sampled by Bier to Myriad Genetic Laboratories and asked for a DNA analysis to be conducted.

On 07/09/04 I was advised that the sample had yielded and the results forwarded to Bier. Bier compared the analysis and gave the opinion as listed below.

8. Autopsy information:

Dr. Grey accepted the DNA analysis of 06/30/04 as identification of Beverly. The sample was compared to the known DNA profile of Carole Wetherton and found to be the biological daughter or mother of Wetherton. Investigation revealed that Beverly was the only daughter of Wetherton and that Wetherton's mother is deceased.

Dr. Grey accepted the DNA analysis of July 14, 2004 as identification of Wetherton. The sample and profile obtained by Myriad Genetics was said to match the known DNA profile of Wetherton by Criminalist Gabriel Bier.

Dr. Grey advised the Manner of Death in both cases would be Accident with the probable Cause of Death being Hypothermia.

9. Physician in attendance:

N/A

10. Evidence obtained:

As previously listed.

11. Disposition of personal effects:

All effects were collected at the site and secured by Sgt. Wilde as evidence.

12. Death notification:

I spoke with Jim Wetherton (Husband/stepfather) and Keith Beverly (Son/Brother) as each identification was made.

13. Ambulance attendants' names:

N/A

See Snyder and Wilde's reports for names of searchers and crime scene persons involved.

14. Additional information:

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15. Date, time, reporting officer:

Captain Alan Siddoway

Responsible LEO:

Approved by:

Date