

what is known to have happened, (you have already provided this) a picture of Jamie, her full name and birthdate. Also a map of the area where she was last known to be, (please circle the area on the map where this was) and also a map of where the ID was found (and circle that area too). We thank you in advance for letting us be of some service to you on this cold case.

Kindly,
Joyce

----- Original Message -----

From: Buckner, Rick
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2006 4:36 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Starr Lara
Subject: Request for assistance

Ms [REDACTED]

The family of Jamie Grissim and I would like your assistance in locating the remains of Jamie who disappeared from Vancouver, Clark County, State of Washington in 1971.

On January 10, 1972, the Clark County Sheriff's Office took a missing person report on Jamie Grissim. Jamie and her younger sister Starr Grissim had been placed in foster care by the State of Washington. Starr said that she last saw her sister Jamie as she left for high school on December 7, 1971. Jamie told Starr to tell their foster mother that she was going to walk home from school and would be home around 1:00 PM. Jamie has never been seen or heard from again.

On May 1st 1972, papers and identification belonging to Jamie Grissim were located by a [REDACTED] and his wife scattered along Dole Valley Road. These items were eventually turned over to the Clark County Sheriff's office and placed in the case file.

It's suspected that Jamie Grissim is the first victim of Warren Leslie Forrest, who is suspected of killing eight women in Clark County, Washington between December 1971 and October 1974. The remains of five of his victims were found in rural Clark County. Grissim's identification was "located at a bridge crossing within a short distance of the trail that led to two bodies" according to Denny Hunter, the lead prosecutor when Warren Forrest was convicted of murder.

The area in Dole Valley where Jamie Grissim's papers and identification was found is still very rural and mostly undeveloped. Starr Lara (Grissim) has always held out hope that some day, someone would find something that would provide some closure for her regarding the disappearance of her older sister Jamie. Any assistance or guidance that you can provide to the Clark County Sheriff's Office, that would help us locate Jamie's remains would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

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SYNOPSIS

The synopsis that follows will summarize the investigation of several Clark County Homicide investigations, development of the suspect in these cases and the subsequent investigation to follow on this suspect. The cases summarized will be arranged in chronological order, by date of occurrence. Active investigation of several of these cases is currently suspended and may remain inactive due to lack of additional leads or evidence. Primary investigation is continuing on several other cases where evidence is substantial and leads are pending. The inactive cases will be included in this synopsis only to help provide an overview of the pattern involved in several of the North Clark County Homicides.

Regarding CCSO 72-84856 dated the 10th of January 1972, a missing persons report on GRISSIM, Jamie R. DOB 11/11/55, and last address of 5312 NE 58th St. in Vancouver Washington:

GRISSIM was a white female aged 16 years, 5'4 inches and 125lbs. She was last seen on December 7th 1971. She had told her mother that she would walk home from school, that date, and it was verified that she had in fact gone to school on that day. Grissim was described as being very close to her sisters and not being a runaway potential. At the time of her disappearance she also had maintained a savings account, that was not touched, by Grissim prior to her disappearance. On May 1 1972 several items belonging to Grissim, including her identification were located along side the roadway, in the Dole Valley area of Northern Clark County, within a mile of where two female homicide victims were located in a shallow grave on October 12th of 1974. There have been no signs of the victim over the past several years. A team of search dogs failed to turn up any sign of Grissim in the area where her identification was found, or where the bones of the other victims were located.

Regarding CCSO 72-86848 dated March 29th 1972, a homicide, the victim being DERRY, Barbara Ann DOB 1/21/54, with a last address of 1609 W St., in Vancouver Washington:

DERRY was a white female, aged 18 years 5'1 inches and 115 lbs, and described as well developed. Derry's body was found at the bottom of the silo at the Grist Mill, in Northern Clark County. The Grist Mill is a Clark County Park site. Derry was last seen hitchhiking along State Hiway 14 East from Vancouver on February 11th 1972, approximately two months after Grissim was reported missing. Her body was found to be covered with boards and debris and found to be partially disrobed, and missing a bra. The cause of death was determined

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to have been caused by one stab wound in the heart, by a narrow bladed instrument. Her identification was established through dental comparisons. The victim had many male friends and was known to hitchhike frequently. Extensive interviews have been conducted with all of Derry's known associates and no positive information pertaining to a suspect was developed.

Regarding CCSO 74-9795 dated July 11th 1974, a reported homicide, the victim being one BLAKE, Krista Kay DOB 2/6/54 and last address of 8315 NE 119th St. Vancouver Washington:

BLAKE was a white female aged 19 years. As in the Derry case she was a known hitchhiker. She was last seen on July 11th of 1974, getting into a blue van in the area of 29th and K St., in Vancouver. A Witness indicates that the driver of this van was a white male. Two other witnesses later relate of having observed the victim, suspect and the blue van together in the area of Lewisville Park sometime before the date of Blake's disappearance. Blakes body was found in a shallow grave on Clark County Parks property, at "Tukes Mountain", on July 11th of 1976. The victim was found to be partially clothed and missing a bra. Witnesses further relate of having seen a blue van, at the Tukes Mountain site on or about the date that Blake was last seen. Blake was found to have her hands tied behind her, and her feet tied in a hogtie fashion. This tie was made with a baling type of twine. The suspect in this case is developed during the investigation of subsequent cases.

Regarding CCSO 74-7085 dated July 17th 1974, a reported kidnap/assault, the victim being one [REDACTED] 2/11/59 with a last address of PO Box 385, Ridgefield Washington:

[REDACTED] is a white female, aged 15 years at the time of the crime. Again, the victim Countryman was a regular hitchhiker. [REDACTED] was picked up by a suspect in a blue van in the area of State Hiway 502 East of Ridgefield Washington, just one week after the disappearance of Krista BLAKE. Once inside the vehicle, the victim was held at knife point and driven to the Tukes Mountain area, a distance of 13 miles from point of abduction. During the time that the suspect was with the victim, the suspect mentioned that he would like to take her to Texas and also that he was to get some money in return for delivering her to several other males. Once at the Tukes Mountain area, the Van was parked outside the gate of the Clark County Parks Department. The victim was taken into the woods and tied in a hogtie fashion to a tree, just 100 feet from the location of the grave of Krista BLAKE. The victim's bra was cut off her and used for a gag. The rope used for the tying was again the baling type of twine. The suspect physicall beat the victim while she was still in the van. The suspect left her tied, at this location, saying that he would return later. She was successful in chewing through her bonds and escaped. Hiding in a nearby field

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until daybreak, she was found by a Clark County Parks employee. The suspect apparently returned during the night and picked up materials that had been used to bind her. He also took the bra that had been cut from her. Two other witnesses confirm the presence of the van and the suspect, at the Tukes Mountain site, during the commission of the crime. Sometime after the development of a positive suspect in a subsequent case, Countryman positively identified the same suspect as being responsible for her kidnap and assault.

Regarding CCSO 74-10444, a reported double homicide, dated October 12th 1974, one victim being as yet unidentified, and the second being identified as one VALENQUELA, Carol L., DOB of 12/30/55:

Both of these female victims were found in shallow graves in the Dole Valley area of Northern Clark County, an area that the suspect is known to have frequented. Both bodies were found about 100 feet from each other. The unidentified victim is estimated to have died some two to six weeks prior to VALENZUELA's disappearance, which was August 2nd 1974, or approximately two to three weeks after the [REDACTED] Kidnap/Assault and the Blake homicide. Both of these victims had been reduced to skeletons. The grave sites were found to be adjacent to large logs. The unidentified victim was determined by experts to have been a white female 17-23 years 5'5-5'7 inches and approximately 125lbs, with long dark brown hair. These remains are believed to have been disposed of approximately one month prior to those of Carol Valenzuela. Valenzuela was a white female 18' years of age with a last address in the Camas Washington area. Valenzuela was believed to have been hitchhiking from the Camas area on the date of her disappearance. Valenzuela was determined to have died very suddenly, possibly from suffocation. Again the investigation included extensive interviews with all known associates, and again no positive suspects were developed. The suspect can later be shown to have had the opportunity to commit this crime.

Regarding CCSO 74-1000 a Kidnap/Assault dated October 1 1974, the victim being one [REDACTED] DOB 12/16/53 with a last address of [REDACTED] Camas Washington:

[REDACTED] is a white female aged 20 years, at the time of the crime. The victim was standing on a street corner in downtown Portland when the suspect stopped his blue Ford van and engaged her in conversation. The suspect stated that he was working on a thesis for class work at Seattle University. He offered the victim money to pose for photos. She agreed to accompany him into the Washington Park area of Portland. Once in the park the suspect threatened the victim with a knife and bound her with tape. The suspect then transported her to Lacamas Lake Park, a distance of about 25 miles. Lacamas Lake Park is again a Clark County Park, in a heavily wooded, and sparsely populated area of Clark County.

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Upon arrival at the park the suspect drove approximately 1/4 of a mile into the park, after gaining access to a locked gate with a key. During the time that the victim was with the suspect he related to her that he had done this before, indicating the abduction and assault of females. The victim was untied and forced to commit sodomy on the suspect. The suspect then raped the victim and shot her in the area of the breasts with hand honed darts from a .177 cal. pellet pistol. The gun, the tape and a dildo used on the victim, were all taken from a foot locker that the suspect maintained in his van. Later photographs of this locker show the presence of a baling twine similar to that used on BLAKE and [REDACTED]. The victim was then led from the van with a rope around her neck. The suspect took her approximately 100 feet down a path, sat her on a log, choked her into unconsciousness and then stabbed her five times in the chest area. Her naked body was laid along side of a log and covered with brush and debris and then apparently left for dead. All clothing was taken from the scene by the suspect. The victim however, was not mortally wounded and after approximately two hours was able to make her way to a public road where she obtained assistance.

The victim readily identified the suspect in a lineup. Articles belonging to the victim were found in the suspects home. The suspect had taken leave from work to keep a doctors appointment, in Portland, on the date of this crime.

Regarding the suspect in the above cases, one FORREST, Warren Leslie a W/M DOB 6/29/49 5'9inches 155lbs with light brown collar length hair, blue eyes and a bushy mustache. His last local address of 209 S 18th Ave, Battleground Washington:

The suspect was born in Vancouver Washington and during 1974 maintained the above residence. The suspect is known to have lived for sometime in Texas. Suspect is married and has two children. He was employed with the Clark County Parks and Recreation Department from January 1 1972 through October 2nd 1974. Forrest owned a 1973 blue Ford van bearing Washington license GN 6204. The suspect served time in the US Army as a Spec. 5 missile crew service gunner and served time in Vietnam. His previous employer was the National Can Company, Vancouver Washington. He has attended primarily Vancouver Schools, but attended the North American School of Conservation in Newport Beach California in 1970.

The suspects only criminal record is the arrest on the [REDACTED] case. The suspect plead not guilty to these charges, by reason of insanity and was sentenced to commitment at Western States Mental Hospital at Steillacum Washington based on the examination by three local psychiatrists.

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To summarize the circumstances and evidence, in the above cases, as they relate to the suspect Forrest's involvement:

Victim Krista BLAKE was last seen one week prior to [REDACTED] being abducted. She was found in a shallow grave just 100 feet from where [REDACTED] was tied to a tree. Victim BLAKE was tied in the same fashion as [REDACTED] and in fact crime lab analysis of the rope used to bind both BLAKE and [REDACTED] indicates that the rope is the same type and in fact might even be from the same spool. Photographs taken during the [REDACTED] case show the presence of this type of rope in the foot locker belonging to Forrest. The victim, BLAKE, was last seen getting into a blue van with a male driver. Two witnesses indicate that they observed BLAKE talking with suspect Forrest, next to a blue van in the area of Lewisville Park a short time before the day of her disappearance. Forrest is known to have worked at Lewisville Park during his employment with the Parks and Recreation Department. Friends of BLAKE describe her as a fighter and other witnesses state that Forrest returned to work, after the date of the BLAKE homicide, with scratches and marks on his face. The crime lab further states that hair samples from BLAKE and hair samples taken from Forrest's Van have some similar characteristics. Both of these victims were taken to the same County Park that the suspect Forrest worked at, at the time of the crimes. Forrest is the only Parks employee that owned a blue van, at the time of these crimes, and Forrest had a key that opened all of the locks used in the Clark County Parks. Witnesses in the [REDACTED] case observed a blue van at the Tukes Mountain area during the commission of the crime. [REDACTED] in fact was picked up by a lone male in a blue Ford van, and [REDACTED] later positively identified Forrest as being the subject who abducted and assaulted her. Entry into this County Park, at Tukes Mountain, was made without force, according to other Parks employees. Just ten weeks later [REDACTED] is abducted and assaulted by a suspect in a blue Ford van, taken to a Clark County Park, where access is gained with a key. She is left for dead much in the same manner that BLAKE is found. Other elements in the actual assault are similar to those in the [REDACTED] assault. This suspect is positively identified as FORREST, and in fact Forrest plead not guilty to the crime, by reason of insanity. On all of the above crimes Forrest was either off or took the day off early, from work.

Regarding current case status:

Suspect Forrest is likely to gain a conditional release from Western States Mental Hospital within a short period of time. Detective Davidson has continued the investigation of the above homicide cases during the time period that