

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT  
CALUMET COUNTY MISSING PERSON 051103009213  
INVESTIGATOR JO ANN MIGNON BRILLION POLICE DEPARTMENT**

ASSIGNMENT/ARRIVAL

On Monday November 7, 2005 I Investigator Mignon received a phone call from Officer Alt of the Brillion Police Department. Officer Alt advised Calumet County Sheriff Department was requesting mutual aid in their missing person case on Avery Road.

I did arrive at 11:00 p.m. at the Command Post and was met by Lt. Sippel of the Calumet County Sheriff Department. Lt. Sippel did have me post in an area of the Avery Salvage yard where I was able to keep visual contact on two vehicles waiting to be processed for evidence and also the area where Teresa Halbach vehicle had previously been placed. I did stay in this area until I was relieved by another officer on Tuesday November 8, 2005. I returned to the command post for further instructions.

FENCE LINE SEARCH

I along with several other members of the Calumet Sheriff Department and a Calumet County Police Explore did search a fence line along the roadway leading to Steven Avery's residence. One sock was marked with an evidence flag, no other items were located. Upon completion of this search we returned to the command post.

SEPTIC SEARCH

I am an evidence technician for the Brillion Police Department. Lt. Sippel advised they were going to have several septic systems emptied and asked that I go along and log this activity and any evidence that may be found. I met with Jeff S. M [REDACTED] of B & M Waste Service (920) 758-3400. I did go with Mr. M [REDACTED] 10:37 a.m.

At 10:40 a.m. we did locate a tank behind the residence at 12930A. At 10:45 a.m. M [REDACTED] sunk the hose and began pumping the tank. At 11:08 a.m. the hose was plugged, M [REDACTED] checked the hose and found a calcium deposit, he stated this is normal. He cleared the hose and began pumping again. At 11:10 a.m. M [REDACTED] did use a manual scraper to check the tank; he advised he did not feel anything abnormal in the tank. He did finish pumping the tank at 11:11 a.m. M [REDACTED] did do a visual inspection of the tank and found nothing unusual.

At 11:20 a.m. we did find a septic tank located at 12932 Avery Road. At 11:21 a.m. M [REDACTED] did remove the cover of the tank and did place a scraper into the tank, he advised he did not feel anything unusual in the tank. At 11:23 a.m. M [REDACTED] was asked to wait while search dogs went through this area. At 12:08 p.m. he did sink the pump hose and began pumping at 12:13 p.m. At 12:35 p.m. M [REDACTED] advised his truck was full and he would need to leave and empty his truck. He stated he would be gone for approximately 1 ½ hours. M [REDACTED] did place the septic cover on at 12:38 p.m.

I did stay in the area of the tank, while standing near the tank I could observe Steven Avery's yard and the yard adjacent to his. Behind Steven Avery's garage was a mound area. On this mound area was a red dog house and a German Sheppard dog. This mound area had what

appeared to be a new layer of white gravel type rocks placed near a burned area. The burned area had what appeared to be burnt tires inside the pit and what appeared to be some type of burned vehicle seat near the pit. The German Sheppard appeared to be able to reach close to the pit. While I was waiting for the Mr. M [REDACTED] to return I did observe this German Sheppard attempting to defecate. The dog tried every few minutes but was unable to do so. I had observed this same behavior while M [REDACTED] was pumping the septic system at 12930A Avery road. These yards are connected with no visual barrier between them. At 12:47 p.m. Officer Jason Jost of the Manitowoc County Sheriff Department did come to relieve me so I could use the restroom and have lunch. Jost stayed with the tank while I was gone. At 1:32 p.m. I returned and relieved Jost. While speaking with Jost we discussed the burn pit and that it seemed odd to burn tires behind a residence. I advised him of what I had observed with the dog. He stated he felt someone should be notified and check this area. I stayed in the area so I could observe both the tank and the mound area. A short time later Lt. Kelly Sippel of the Calumet County Sheriff Department did arrive; he checked the area and did find what appeared to be a bone of some type in the burned area of this mound. A member of the DCI team checked the burned area, took over scene security and began looking through this area.

At 2:10 p.m. M [REDACTED] returned with his truck, he resumed pumping. At 2:12 p.m. the hose was clogged, he did check the hose and found a tampon and several Q tips. Menges stated that is normal and continued pumping. At 2:28 p.m. the hose was plugged again, it was metal baffle (inspection tube). He stated this was also normal. He cleared the hose and began again at 2:30 p.m. At 2:42 p.m. the tank was empty, he did visually inspect the tank and nothing was observed.

I had been informed there may be a second septic tank just to the south of this tank. I did check the yard and just to the west of gravel pile in this yard there was a septic lid. M [REDACTED] did come over and at 2:43 p.m. lifted the lid; it was found there was not a tank in this location rather the lid had just been placed in the grass. M [REDACTED] did poke the ground to be sure there was not a tank there. No tank found.

At 2:59 p.m. M [REDACTED] and I did finish with the septic tanks search. I returned to the command post.

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