

Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation

Investigative 05-1776/97

Report Date: 11/16/2005

Primary Information

Description: **TERESA MARIE HALBACH: Photography of Steven Avery's Burn Barrel**
Occurrence From: **11/07/2005 12:00**
Occurrence To: **11/07/2005 13:00**
Dissemination Code: **Agency**
Reporting LEO: **Heimerl, Kevin L (Appleton Arson DCI / Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation)**
Backup LEO: **Sielehr, James A (Arson DCI)**
Report Status: **Approved**
Report Status Date: **11/18/2005**
Approved By: **Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson DCI)**

Addresses

<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Address</u>
Location of Event	12930 Avery Rd, Two Rivers, Wisconsin 54241 United States of America

Subjects

<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Bio</u>	<u>DOB</u>
Subject of Interest	Avery's Auto Salvage (Business)		---
Person of Interest	Avery, Steven Allen Sr (Person)	43 yr. old, White, Male	██████████
Victim	Halbach, Teresa Marie (Person)	25 yr. old, White, Female	██████████

Narrative begins on the following page.

On November 7, 2005, S/A Kevin L. Heimerl and S/A James A. Sielehr were assisting with the investigation of the missing person Teresa Marie Halbach, in the Town of Gibson, Manitowoc County, WI. S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr were near the command post at Avery Auto Salvage when they received the following assignment.

S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr were present at the Avery salvage yard in the command post and were notified that a search group had located potential evidence inside a burn barrel in the front yard of Steven Avery's residence at the end of Avery Road. S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr were requested to respond to the area and to document the potential evidence and wait for further instructions.

On 11/07/2005, at approximately 12:05 p.m., S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr arrived in the front yard/driveway area north of Steven Avery's garage at the end of the access road to Avery's residence off the end of Avery Road. S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr walked to this area, arriving at approximately 12:05 p.m. Upon arriving, S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr made contact with Deputy David Siders and Sergeant Scott Senglaub, of the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Department.

Deputy Siders and Sgt. Senglaub stated that they were part of a larger group of searchers searching the property under the authority of the search warrant, attempting to locate any evidence related to the missing person Teresa Marie Halbach. Deputy Siders stated that he was walking past the front yard north of Steven Avery's residence and garage, near an area where the mowed grass yard area runs into the adjacent crop field. Deputy Siders stated he observed the steel burn barrel and looked into the burn barrel. Deputy Siders stated he observed a rim from a motor vehicle wheel/tire inside the burn barrel. Deputy Siders stated he removed the rim and set it on the ground. Deputy Siders stated that, after he removed the rim, he then observed what appeared to be electronic components inside the burn barrel. Deputy Siders stated, based on his visual examination of these components, he believed they were consistent in appearance to a possible cell phone and camera components.

S/A Heimerl visually examined the contents of the burn barrel and did observe what appeared to be components from electronic items lying on top of the burned debris. The electronic components do appear as though they have been subjected to fire.

S/A Heimerl utilized a 35mm autofocus SLR camera and exposed 26 frames of 400 ISO color print film while documenting the burn barrel and contents.

On 11/07/2005, at approximately 1:00 p.m., two evidence technicians with the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Department arrived at the location and took over custody of the burn barrel and contents. S/A Heimerl and S/A Sielehr did not remove or alter any contents of the burn barrel prior to being relieved of this assignment.

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S/A Kevin L. Heimerl

Photo Date 11/07/2005

Roll #1

Film Speed 400

Lens 28 x 80

Print #	Camera Direction	Comments
1	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
2	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
3	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
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7	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
8	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
9	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
10	Overhead	Components in burn barrel
11	Overhead	Ground at base of burn barrel
12	Overhead	Ground at base of burn barrel
13	Overhead	Tire rim from burn barrel
14	Overhead	Tire rim from burn barrel
15	East	Tire steel belt on rim of burn barrel
16	East	Tire rim from burn barrel
17	Southeast	Burn barrel and tire rim
18	Southwest	Burn barrel and tire rim
19	West	Burn barrel and tire rim
20	Northwest	Burn barrel and tire rim
21	North	Burn barrel and tire rim
22	East	Burn barrel and tire rim
23	Southeast	Burn barrel and tire rim
24	Southwest	Steven Avery residence and burn barrel
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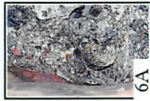
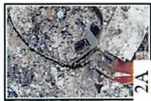
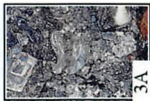
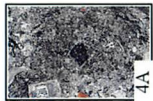
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23	Overhead	Plastic straw on ground at base of burn barrel
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