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Description: TERESA MARIE HALBACH: Interview of Travis Fabian and Ashley Chevalier
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 Reporting LEO: Fassbender, Thomas J (Appleton Special Assignments DCI)
 Backup LEO: Lewis, Steven P (Appleton Narcotics DCI / Wisconsin Department of Justice DCI)
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Related Addresses

<u>Address</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
941 Ranchview Ct, Mishicot, Wisconsin, United States of America	Interview Location

Related Subjects

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
Chevalier, Ashley M	Person	Female	White	02/19/1992	Interviewed
Fabian, Travis A	Person	Male	White	05/23/1990	Interviewed
Avery, Kayla	Person	Female	Unknown	--	Mentioned
Fabian, Robert Jr	Person	Male	White	--	Mentioned
Metz, Frances III	Person	Male	Unknown	--	Mentioned
Tise, Crystal	Person	Female	Unknown	--	Mentioned
Avery, Steven Allen Sr	Person	Male	White	07/09/1962	Person of Interest
Dassey, Brendan R	Person	Male	Unknown	10/19/1989	Person of Interest
Halbach, Teresa Marie	Person	Female	White	03/22/1980	Victim

Record Status Information

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Narrative begins on the following page.

On Monday, February 27, 2006, at approximately 9:10 p.m., S/A Thomas J. Fassbender and S/A Steven P. Lewis interviewed Travis A. Fabian, DOB 05/23/1990, at his residence, 941 Ranchview Court, in Mishicot, WI. S/A Fassbender had previously telephoned and spoke with Travis Fabian (Travis) and Fabian's father, Robert Fabian (Robert), and they agreed to meet with S/A Fassbender and S/A Lewis.

Upon arrival at the Fabian residence, S/A Fassbender met with Robert and Travis, and S/A Fassbender presented his business card to them. S/A Fassbender asked Travis about Brendan Dassey (Brendan). Travis advised he and Brendan hang around together all the time at school and also over the weekends at Travis' house. He advised that Brendan has been coming over to his house every weekend since probably November.

S/A Fassbender asked Travis if he has seen personality changes or demeanor changes in Brendan. He advised not really. Travis advised that Brendan is shy. Robert also advised that Brendan is quiet.

S/A Fassbender asked if Brendan has said anything about Steven Avery. Travis advised that Brendan has said that he was real close to Steven.

S/A Fassbender asked Travis if Brendan ever talked about Halloween of 2005. Travis advised that on the Friday before that (October 28) he had been invited to a bonfire on the 31st. Brendan ultimately told Travis that Steven was being a "dick" so the fire was off. Travis said Brendan ultimately told him that they did still have a fire on Halloween night. Travis said Brendan did not say who was there at the fire.

S/A Fassbender asked if Travis has noticed anything different about Brendan since Steven's arrest, and he initially said he hadn't but then commented that Brendan has been a little quieter since he came back to school after that week. Travis said Brendan didn't talk about Steven like he used to. Travis advised, prior to that, Brendan used to talk about Steven more and talk about the things they did together. Travis said that Brendan has not talked about Steven being in jail. He said that Brendan talked about missing him and that they had done a lot of stuff together.

S/A Fassbender asked Travis about an incident where Brendan may have said something about killing himself. Travis said this incident happened about four weeks ago. He said Brendan said he was going to shoot himself and Travis told Brendan that was stupid. Travis said Brendan stated in response he knew that and was just joking. Travis said another kid by the name of Frances Metz III, aka Cody Metz, had heard Brendan say that and told the principal of the school. Travis believed that Brendan then had to go to the office to talk to the guidance counselor. Travis believes that Brendan goes to talk to the counselor now every week and he is apparently supposed to do this since making the comments about killing himself.

Robert Fabian commented that since the Steven Avery incident, Brendan seems more quiet and withdrawn. Travis commented that Brendan talks to Kayla Avery (Kayla) more about the Steven stuff.

Travis was asked if he was at Ashley Chevalier's birthday party at Kayla's house. He advised yes. He was asked if he noticed anything about Brendan's behavior at that party. Travis advised that Brendan was shy because he didn't know anyone there except Travis and the Avery family. Travis was asked about Brendan being out in the hallway by himself, and Travis stated he was out in the hallway thinking. Travis said that is what Kayla said, and she talked to Brendan. Travis was asked if he saw Brendan crying during the party and he advised no.

Travis was asked if Brendan had lost weight and Travis advised that he has lost a lot of weight. Travis believed Brendan has lost at least 13 pounds. Travis stated Brendon told him that he was trying to lose weight.

Travis was asked if Brendan had a girlfriend and he advised yes. He advised her name was Emily and that they had been boyfriend/girlfriend for a couple days. Travis advised prior to that he went out with Crystal Tise (phonetic).

S/A Fassbender asked Travis if he considered Brendan honest and he advised yes. He commented that Brendan has never lied to him.

S/A Fassbender ended the interview at that time, and Travis left the kitchen area. Travis' father, Robert, then told the Special Agents that Travis has ADD and a learning disability and, thus, may not make some observations pertaining to demeanor and changes that the agents had asked about.

At that time, S/A Fassbender and S/A Lewis were allowed to interview Ashley M. Chevalier, DOB 02/19/1992, who also resides at the Fabian residence. Robert Fabian advised that Chevalier's mother had moved up north and she wanted to stay in the area so she was staying with them.

Ashley described Brendan as a "nice kid." She advised, however, that she has noticed a change in his demeanor and personality the last several months. She commented that Brendan was at her birthday party, which was at Kayla's house. She advised Kayla went out of the bedroom and saw Brendan on the steps and Brendan was crying. Ashley said Kayla commented to her that Brendan was thinking about the Steven thing again. Ashley advised that when Brendan is at the Fabian house downstairs and Travis leaves and goes upstairs, Brendan will be sitting on Travis' bed and put his face and head down into his hands.

S/A Fassbender asked Ashley if she saw this type of behavior from Brendan prior to Steven's problems and arrest and she advised no. Ashley stated that Kayla told her that Brendan is crying a lot more since that happened.

Ashley Chevalier provided no further information and the interview was concluded at 9:49 p.m.