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TYPE OF ACTIVITY: Interview of Jodi Stachowski

DATE OF ACTIVITY: 02/20/06 at 1610 hours

REPORTING OFFICER: Inv. Mark Wiegert

On 02/20/06 at approximately 1610 hours, I (Inv. WIEGERT of the CALUMET COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT), along with Inv. BALDWIN, went to the MANITOWOC COUNTY JAIL to again speak with JODI STACHOWSKI.

Upon arrival, JODI was removed from the jail and taken up to the second floor investigators interview area. I informed JODI I wanted to talk to her again about her relationship with STEVEN AVERY. JODI stated to me she had met STEVEN at the end of May or the beginning of June in 2004. She stated it would have been approximately nine months after STEVEN had gotten out of prison. She stated when she met him, she started dating him right away. JODI stated things were great at first and they mostly stayed at home and goofed around outside.

JODI stated things started going bad when she first found out about STEVEN's relationship with **teenage relative** She believed that to be around September of 2004. JODI states she had overheard STEVEN and [REDACTED] talking on the phone. JODI states initially she let it go for a couple of days. The next thing that happened was that STEVEN had left one day and never came home at night. STEVEN had told JODI he was busy pulling transmissions out of cars. JODI stated she knew that was not true because he would not stay overnight because he was pulling out transmissions somewhere. JODI got very angry with STEVEN at which time STEVEN stated he was sleeping with [REDACTED] in Crivitz. At that point, JODI told STEVEN to pack his bags and she kicked him out of the house. According to JODI, a fight then ensued and STEVEN grabbed a shirt and ripped it. JODI stated she was holding onto the shirt and STEVEN grabbed at it and then also backhanded her in the jaw. He then left the house and started packing his stuff into the ice shanty where he was going to go live.

I asked JODI if she could be more specific about the date when this happened to which she stated she could not.

The second time they had gotten into an altercation according to JODI was when she had gone to the races with some friends. She stated she went to the races with a person by the name of TAMMY WEBER. According to JODI, STEVEN had gone up north at that time and had come home. JODI stated they had an argument and then TAMMY WEBER brought her back to her and STEVEN's house. JODI states she walked into the trailer and looked around the house to make sure STEVEN was not there. JODI states while she was walking around the house, her cell phone rang. When she answered the cell phone, it was STEVEN and STEVEN asked JODI what she was wearing. JODI stated immediately she knew that STEVEN was somewhere in the area. JODI stated she said to STEVEN, I know you are looking at me. JODI then turned around

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and he was standing there looking at her. At that point, JODI stated they started arguing. She stated STEVEN was mad at her because she had been drinking. At that time, he came up and pushed her and she fell backwards into a chair. JODI then told STEVEN she was going to call the cops and STEVEN told her to go ahead and call the cops; there was nothing that we could do to him. JODI then stated she, in fact, did call the police.

STEVEN then came up to JODI in front of her and began choking her, placing both of his hands around JODI's neck. STEVEN choked JODI until she blacked out. JODI states she remembers blacking out because she remembers falling to her knees. JODI stated when she came to, she was lying on the floor and he was trying to drag her out the front door of the trailer. JODI states she eventually got up to her feet and STEVEN grabbed her by her sweatshirt and dragged her over to his truck, which he forced her to get into. According to JODI, they then drove out of the driveway and went down 147 and that is when the police had pulled them over and STEVEN got arrested. Again, JODI was not sure of the dates of this occurrence.

JODI said the last incident occurred in spring of 2005 when they had gone to Crivitz. JODI states they were all out in the woods and she and STEVEN's dad, ALLAN, snuck away and went back to the cabin to have a few beers. When they came back to where they were working in the woods, she was chewing gum or sucking on candy, she did not remember which. JODI states STEVEN noticed she was chewing gum or sucking on candy and confronted her about having been gone and drinking. JODI stated she admitted to him that she had gone with his father and had a few beers at which time STEVEN slapped her across the face with an open hand. I asked JODI what she did then. She stated she just walked away.

JODI stated on one occasion that he had smashed her cell phone while they were up north because she had changed her mind and did not want to go ice fishing with him. I asked her when that was. She stated she could not exactly remember.

I questioned JODI on what type of jeans she wears. She states she wears Levi's as well as Lee jeans and St. John's Bay jeans. She states she shops at JC PENNEY and WAL-MART. I asked her if she has ever owned a pair of Daisy Fuentes jeans to which JODI said she did not. She stated she never shops at KOHL'S where the Daisy Fuentes jeans are sold. She did tell me she had previously burned clothes in the burn pit area; however, again she would not have burned any Daisy Fuentes jeans.

I asked JODI if she had burned anything in the burn barrel on the property. She states she, in fact, had burned some clothes in the burn barrel along with other garbage. JODI denied burning any type of cell phone. She also denied burning any type of camera in the burn barrel.

I again just reaffirmed with her if she had ever burned any Daisy Fuentes jeans to which she stated, "I've never owned any Daisy Fuentes jeans. I don't like Daisy Fuentes."

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At that time, we thanked JODI for her cooperation and ended the interview.

Investigation continues.

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