

KRISTIN M. O'CONNELL HOMICIDE

Seneca County - Town of Ovid

August 15, 1985

WITNESS SIGHTINGS

Evening of Wednesday, August 14 /Morning of Thursday, August 15

1. About 11:30 pm, Kristin leaves the residence where she had been staying on West Seneca Street, to go for a walk.
2. About 11:30 pm, Kristin was observed walking westbound on the north shoulder of County Road 139, approximately 100 feet west of the Golden Buck Tavern.
3. Between 11:50 p.m. and 12:10 a.m., Kristin was observed walking westbound on the north shoulder of CR-139, just east of where her body would be discovered. Pulled up next to Kristin was a green or blue car. A second westbound car was then observed pulling off the road, behind Kristin. The witnesses believed that the occupant(s) of the first vehicle may have been attempting to lure Kristin into their car.
4. About 11:55 p.m., Kristin was observed walking westbound on the north shoulder of CR-139, at or near the curve in the road where Kristin's body would be discovered. Prior to observing Kristin, the witness who was driving eastbound on CR-139 observed a vehicle backing out of the abandoned gas station at the intersection of CR-139 and ST-96A. This abandoned gas station is approximately 4/10 mile west of where the witness observed Kristin walking.
5. About 12:10 a.m., Kristin was observed by witnesses walking westbound on the north shoulder of CR-139, west of where her body would be discovered.
6. Between 12:00 a.m. and 12:15 a.m., Kristin was observed walking eastbound on the south shoulder of CR-139, west of the bend in the road. Witnesses observed two white males following behind Kristin at a distance of approximately 50 yards. Witnesses believe the males to be young in age, of slender build and to have shoulder length hair, one male to be approximately 6 feet tall, the other male to be shorter, both males believed to be wearing jeans, one wearing a jean jacket. Kristin was observed walking with the two males following her was just west of and on the same side of the road as where Kristin's body would be discovered.
7. Between 12:15 a.m. and 12:25 a.m., a loud scream was heard coming from the general area of where Kristin's body was later discovered.
8. About 1:15 a.m., two young males, estimated age of 16 to 17 years old, were observed walking eastbound on CR-139, toward Ovid, on the north shoulder of the road, somewhere between where Kristin's body would be discovered and the Golden Buck Tavern. The youths were described as one being 5'10" - 6'00" tall with light brown shoulder length hair, possibly wearing blue jeans and a light colored t-shirt and the other male being shorter, approximately 5'9" tall, with darker hair than the other male.
9. About 1:30 a.m., two young males were observed walking westbound on CR-139, on the north side of the roadway, just east of where Kristin's body would be discovered. The witness described the males as being between 5'-10" and 6'00" tall, weighing approximately 150 pounds, and having hair that came down over their ears. One of the males was wearing a blue jean jacket and blue jean pants; the other was wearing blue jean pants.