

PROGRESS REPORT

CASE # CT13-44545
CASE TYPE: Homicide
REPORT BY: Investigator Jeff Hime's
DATE TYPED: 01/24/2014

On 12/14/2014, this Investigator and Sgt. Rob Hoffman responded to the Denver International Airport (DIA) to pick up a female identified as:

Pierson, Barbara Halverson
DOB: [REDACTED]

This Investigator and Sgt. Hoffman were escorted to the plane by officers of the Denver Police Department (DPD). Upon contact with Ms. Pierson, she had an aunt with her. Both Ms. Pierson and her aunt agreed to be driven to the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) for interviews. Ms. Pierson and her aunt rode in this Investigator's work vehicle and during the ride, they both stated they were hungry. This Investigator then took Ms. Pierson and her aunt to a restaurant at Arapahoe and Peoria and they both ordered food and took it to ACSO.

Upon arrival at ACSO, Ms. Pierson and her aunt were given time to eat their food.

After finishing her meal, this Investigator escorted Ms. Pierson to an interview room. The entire interview with Ms. Pierson was recorded. Refer to the DVD of the interview for a complete description of the interview. Ms. Pierson stated she resided at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] and has a cell phone number of [REDACTED] and a home telephone number of [REDACTED]. Ms. Pierson stated she is an IT project manager and is currently doing contract work with United Airlines.

Ms. Pierson confirmed that she is the biological mother of:

Pierson, Karl Halverson
DOB: [REDACTED]

Ms. Pierson continued and advised that Karl's pediatrician was Nancy McKenzie and that they were very close. Ms. Pierson advised that Randy Snook was Karl's primary care physician and that on 10/23/2013, Karl had his 18 year old well check visit with Randy Snook and it was great. Ms. Pierson advised that Karl had no hospitalizations or no broken bones but did have vision therapy earlier in his life.

Ms. Pierson stated that Karl had a therapist named Beth Teeters and that Ms. Teeters saw Mr. Pierson four or five times. Ms. Pierson advised that Beth Teeters saw Karl at Advanced Integrative Medicine (AIM) located at 10455 Park Meadows Drive,

Building 1, Unit 102 in Lone Tree, Colorado. Ms. Teeters telephone number is 303-708-0246.

Ms. Pierson said she had no concerns about drugs with Karl.

Ms. Pierson identified her ex-husband and Karl's biological father as:

Pierson, Charles Mark
DOB: [REDACTED]

Ms. Pierson said that Karl mentored a younger student known only to her as [REDACTED]. Ms. Pierson also stated that Karl knew Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) Sheriff Dave Weaver.

Ms. Pierson said that she attended Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota and that Karl had attended a speech camp there.

Ms. Pierson stated that in March or April of 2013, Karl was suspended from school for one day for going off on a teacher.

Ms. Pierson continued and advised that on 08/11/2013, Karl totaled his car after he left McDonalds where he worked. Ms. Pierson said Karl was very angry over something that happened at work and totaled his car after running a stop sign and hitting somebody else. Ms. Pierson stated that Karl does have a lap top computer and it may be in his [REDACTED].

Ms. Pierson said that on 09/03/2013, she received a text message from Tracy Murphy asking to meet with her and Karl. Ms. Pierson said that the meeting occurred at the school with her, Karl and Mr. Murphy. Ms. Pierson stated that when Karl went to Nationals for debate, Mr. Murphy never congratulated him. During the meeting, Ms. Pierson advised that Mr. Murphy said that he didn't feel that Karl was living up to the honor code of the National Forensics League. At the meeting, Mr. Murphy told Karl he would not be the debate team captain and Karl was very angry, but kept it together. Karl then began to say he was going to kill Mr. Murphy when Karl got outside the building. Karl blew up, saying he was going to kill Mr. Murphy. Ms. Pierson said she kept Karl out of school the next three days. Ms. Pierson then had Karl evaluated at Behavioral Health at Quebec and Park Meadows. Ms. Pierson said they evaluated Karl and advised her that he was not a threat to himself or others. Ms. Pierson said that the blow up concerning Mr. Murphy was on Karl's birthday.

Ms. Pierson stated that during the last week of August 201, she got a call from a male who said he received a call from her home phone number. The male told Ms. Pierson that a male called from her home number and said he was going to kill his daughter. Ms. Pierson said that she spoke to Karl about this and Karl said he

was lost his phone and was calling his phone number but mis-dialed and called a 7th grade girl and he said he was going to kill her. Ms. Pierson said she received a phone call from the School Resource Officer (SRO) of West Middle School advising her that the girl who Karl threatened to kill went to West Middle School.

Ms. Pierson advised that in the middle of September the principal at AHS told her and Karl that Karl couldn't be on the debate team. The principal said that Karl could go to the debate team tournaments and participate, but couldn't go to team activities. Ms. Pierson heard that the other day, Karl was disrespectful in his Spanish class.

Ms. Pierson stated that Karl's grades were going downhill, he was getting D's and F's.

Ms. Pierson said that when Karl was seeing Beth Teeters at AIM, he received a powder to put in his drink that was supposed to calm him.

Ms. Pierson advised that on 12/12/2013, she receive a text message from Karl that said, "JSYK (Just so you know) I'm going to [REDACTED] house tonight and giving [REDACTED] \$800.00" Ms. Pierson said that [REDACTED] is a friend of Karl's and Karl was going to give him the money for flying lessons. Ms. Pierson noted that \$800.00 was in fact taken out of his account on 12/12/2013. After she received the text from Karl, she spoke to him and he said that [REDACTED] dad got a raise and he didn't need to give the money to [REDACTED]. Ms. Pierson stated that she has erased this text message from Karl.

Ms. Pierson said that on 12/12/2013, Karl told her that he went to the library and she assumes it was the Lone Tree library on Yosemite.

Ms. Pierson said that on Wednesday (12/11/2013) Karl left his Spanish class to use the bathroom and when he returned, he got locked out and was then pounding on the door and wasn't allowed to get back in. Ms. Pierson said that this really made Karl mad. Ms. Pierson stated that the principal sent Karl home from school for this.