

## 7th Judicial District Drug Task force

Interview number two with Glenda Levart Raper  
Wednesday, November 28, 1990  
Interview by Scott Lewellen

The following are responses given by Glenda to a series of questions asked by Lewellen.

Glenda stated that Keith was not involved deeply in any narcotic trafficking, but rather he bought for his personal use and for that of his close friends. (This information has been substantiated by other sources.) She said that as far as she knew, Keith never received any of his drugs off of a train shipment. Keith would meet Jay Campbell every Thursday night at the Wagon Wheel in Little Rock. She does not know if there were any narcotic dealings between the two, but knew they were exchanging information at first about the train deaths. (Keith was the manager of the Wagon Wheel at this time.) Glenda said that Keith later found out that Campbell was involved in a lot of illegal activities with those who were to some degree involved in the train deaths. Keith quit meeting Campbell after he discovered this, but he felt that Campbell had already relayed information that he had gotten from Keith to those involved.

Glenda stated that Keith and Linda Ives had been friends for several years and that is one of the reasons she approached Keith to start his investigation. Glenda said that Linda was not a very strong person at this time, so Keith did not tell her very much that he was learning, especially about Harmon's involvement. Keith had also been friends with Curtis Henry for several years and apparently Keith and Curtis would have full exchanges of the information they were learning.

Glenda says that she is not sure when Harmon first began to use cocaine, but knows that it was sometime in the early 1980's. To her knowledge, Harmon first began accepting cocaine for legal fees about the time he reentered private law practice after he resigned as prosecutor. She states the following people have given Harmon cocaine in exchange for representation:

DeAnne Parker was arrested on cocaine and crystal meth charges shortly after Keith was killed. DeAnne was represented by Harmon on these charges and supplied him cocaine along with money for his legal counsel. Glenda is not sure of the amount of cocaine exchanged. DeAnne told this to Glenda personally. Glenda thinks DeAnne will testify if she is given protection.

Cloud Griffin was arrested on cocaine charges during the same time period and retained Harmon as his attorney. Along with cash, Cloud paid Harmon in cocaine and marijuana for representation. Cloud told Glenda this and Glenda thinks she and Glenn can persuade Cloud to testify about this and other things.

Pam Cook was arrested sometime during this same period of time and was represented by Harmon. The charges are not known by Glenda. Pam gave Harmon cocaine along with money for his

representation and possibly performed sex with him. Glenda learned this from Keith who had developed a close friendship with Pam. Glenda is arranging for Lewellen to talk with Pam and thinks that Pam will testify to this.

Glenda states that she is not sure how long the prostitution ring at the Ranchette had been operated by Harmon and Myron. She said that Keith discovered all the information about this ring as soon as he began his investigation into the train deaths. She says the following people have direct information about this ring: Marilyn Peters (a black prostitute), DeAnne Parker, Cloud Griffin, Pam Cook, and Richard Mattison. (When asked why Mattison, who was Harmon's opponent as prosecutor, would be involved in such activities with Harmon, Glenda says that Harmon and Mattison had been good friends for many years and that Mattison ran against Harmon so that 1) Harmon would not have any "real" competition and 2) regardless of who won, the same interests would be protected.) Keith learned that some of the prostitutes were paid with cocaine and cash and some were paid with cash only.

When asked about direct drug dealing between Harmon and others, Glenda said she knows Cloud Griffin has sold cocaine several times to Harmon. She learned this directly from Cloud. She has never heard of Harmon directly selling cocaine to anyone, but he would use Tammy and Teresa as his couriers. Glenda says that Tammy, at one time, was referred to by many people as one of the biggest cocaine dealers in Saline County. People who will have direct information about this are Bubba Ray (who may still be loyal with Tammy) and Shelley Crook (Rick's sister?).

When asked who had direct knowledge about the train shipments of cocaine who were not involved themselves, Glenda said that Keith did and possibly Jay Campbell. Glenda says the story about the taped "X" on the train originated from Curtis Henry who had told Keith. Keith believed that the train shipment would stop somewhere between the Bryant and Alexander city limits. Keith felt that the shipments contained only cocaine. Glenda learned information about there being three box cars containing cocaine for Saline County from Keith who was told this by Curtis Henry. Keith told Glenda the train made stops in four other states. They are Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. Keith thought, but was not certain, that the trains made only one stop in each state. At the time of his death, Keith was trying to gather information about the possibility of a switchboard operator at Union Pacific headquarters concealing the stops.

Keith told Glenda that Saline County deputies were present at the train's stop and he felt that one of them was Rick Elmendorf. Glenda says Keith received a large amount of information about the shipments from Richard Garrett at the beginning of his investigation. When Glenda was asked how Garrett and Keith first

became connected, she said they had been friends for several years and that is why Garrett was helping Keith like he was at the beginning of the investigation.

She is not sure if a commercial truck was used in the unloading of the cocaine, but she was told by Keith that there was a truck present. When asked who was involved in the distribution of the cocaine from the shipments, Glenda said that Callaway could provide information about that. She does not know how many prior stops the train made in Saline County. She also does not know if there were any shipments after Henry and Ives were killed.

On the night of the boys' deaths, Glenda says that the boys had been with some girl who she believes to be Callaway's daughter and they also had met Cloud Griffin who sold them a bag of marijuana. She again said that Callaway could provide more information about that night.

Glenda does not personally have much knowledge about the suspected parties involved in the financing of the shipment, but said Mikey Crook may provide information about Bob Lander's possible involvement.

Glenda says she does not know who mailed the anonymous letter to Channel 4 about the tarp that was used to cover the boys' bodies. She does know that the tarp vanished from the Saline County Sheriff's Office evidence room during the grand jury investigation.

When asked about the extent of Callaway's drug dealing, Glenda said that he sold large amounts of cocaine. She said Callaway received his cocaine from Myron LNU who had some big cocaine connection. Glenda states that Harmon was receiving his cocaine from Cloud Griffin who was being supplied by Callaway. Cloud introduced Harmon to Callaway. Harmon and Myron LNU first met around the middle of 1987 and they were introduced to each other by Callaway who was involved in narcotic dealing with Myron at the time. It is believed by Glenda and others that after this meeting, Harmon and Myron cut Callaway out because he was a two-bit thug. According to information Glenda received from Keith and others, in addition to Harmon and Myron's narcotic dealings and prostitution ring, they were behind several break-ins of the evidence room at the Saline County Sheriff's Office in 1988 and early 1989. Rob German assisted in some of these break-ins which included the theft of cocaine, crystal meth, drug paraphernalia, and video equipment and tapes. German apparently had sold some of the stolen drugs to Jay Campbell. Glenda says that Cloud Griffin has direct information on these thefts.

When Glenda was asked who all Keith may have given bits of information to, she said Steve Pruitt, who used to work at the Wagon Wheel with Keith, has told her he would like to talk to

Lewellen about what Keith had told him. J.R. Gwynn, who knew Keith through the Wagon Wheel, also has information he learned from Keith that he may be willing to tell Lewellen. The owner of the Wagon Wheel, Billy Bob LNU, might have information that Keith gave him. Glenda also said we should check with Keith's 24-year-old daughter, first name Sherry, who may have some information. We also need to speak to "Little Ann" who worked at the Wagon Wheel with Keith, because Glenda described her as Keith's "right-hand girl" at the lounge.

Glenda was good friends with Carlos Hibbitt until Keith told Glenda to stay away from him because he was involved so much in cocaine trafficking. She knew Carlos ran cocaine, but she did not realize he was tied in so deeply until Keith told her. She does not think that Carlos will come forward or be willing to testify.

When asked about whether Keith had made video or audio tapes of people who were supplying him information, Glenda said Keith was a "video nut" and made several video and audio tapes. Glenda has provided Lewellen with information as to how he may be able to recover some of these tapes. Glenda said that when Garrett came over to talk to Keith, Keith would have Glenda go into the back room while they were meeting. When Garrett left, the tripod would be set up and Glenda thinks Keith was making a video with or without Garrett's knowledge.

About the subject of Pam and Keith's relationship, Glenda said that at the very first, they were boyfriend and girlfriend, but that relationship soon dissolved into a father-daughter relationship.

Glenda says there is a possibility that DeAnne Parker may still have some of Keith's evidence and she feels that DeAnne will come forward if approached by Glenda. Glenda is not sure whether Pam Cook took any evidence. Pam was beaten approximately one week after Keith's death, because of some tapes her assailants believed she possessed.

Glenda says Keith's confrontation with Harmon about the prostitution ring occurred "shortly" before Keith's death. Regarding Keith's confrontations with Sheriff Steed's, Glenda added that Steed first warned Keith to stop his investigation as soon as he had started it. Keith's reply to Steed was to laugh in his face. Glenda was a witness to the confrontation Keith had with Steed and German, but Steed and German did not know she could see and hear them.

When discussing Glenda's knowledge about Judge Cole's wife using drugs, she said she knew people who had sold to his wife and of several people in Sheridan who are witnesses to her using drugs. Glenda says that Cole is a bad alcoholic, but she does not know

of Cole using drugs. Glenda will introduce Lewellen in Sheridan who have direct and indirect information about Cole being paid to fix cases. There is one female in particular who has had long-standing arrest warrants, but she knows so much on Cole that she is safe. Glenda says this female will talk to Lewellen and probably be willing to testify.

Glenda does not know the full extent of Harmon and Pete Lancaster's relationship, but that they have been friends for a very long time.

Glenda says Clouette was Myron's thug and that Clouette would do whatever Myron told him to do.

Bill Murphy, an attorney in Sheridan, is big buddies with Harmon and has she has heard that he has gotten several cases fixed through Judge Cole.

When Glenda was asked again about the video tapes she mailed to John Roland, Jr., she added that she felt certain there were documents and photographs also in the package.

Two important points that Glenda added about Keith's death scene are that Keith had a lock of hair in his hand that was never analyzed and that according to police reports, Keith was killed in his carport yet there were significant amounts of his blood on the refrigerator and on the floor leading out of the house to the carport.

Information that Glenda can provide in addition to the Saline County investigation:

She says that if a sincere and serious effort is made into investigating Robert Shepherd, she will assist. She knows several people in Sheridan she is willing to introduce to Lewellen who can provide direct and indirect evidence against Shepherd. One such incident occurred on the weekend of November 16-18, 1990. A Randal Fuel, who is a commercial marijuana grower, was arrested in Fordyce with a quarter pound of marijuana and \$18,000 in cash on him. He was extradited to the Grant County jail where Shepherd approached him and offered to make a deal on his charges if he would sell some of his crop and provide profits to Shepherd. Glenda is not sure what kind of deal, if any, was actually made between Fuel and Shepherd, but she said that Fuel's bond was reduced from \$110,000 to \$6,000 after Shepherd's visit. Glenda thinks that if protection is guaranteed, Fuel will come forward.