

POSITION AND LOCATION OF BODIES

Length of Kitchen 17 ft 6-1/2 inch
Width of Kitchen 10 ft.

BEARNHARDT - laying on his right side, right foot - 4 ft 6-1/2 inches from south west corner of kitchen.

Head - 11 feet 1 inch from Northeast corner of the kitchen.

Left elbow - 12 feet 9 inches from south east corner of the kitchen.

Left elbow - 7 feet 6 inches from south west corner of the kitchen.

CORA - Laying on her right side.

Left foot - 3 feet 11 inches from south west corner of kitchen.

Head - 12 feet 4 inches from north east corner of kitchen.

Head - 10 feet 8 inches from north west corner of kitchen.

Head - 10 feet 6 inches from south east corner of kitchen.

Bearnhardt and Cora were approximately 3 feet 6 inches apart, laying on their right sides.

On April 7, 1990 at approximately 6:30 p.m. Chief Kaley contacted Lt. Doak and Det. Tyjeski via public service and advised that he was at 6593 Moff Road, Atwater, location of a double homicide.

Chief Kaley advised Lt. Doak to have PCSO Dispatcher contact the rest of the detectives and report to the crime scene.

Lt. Doak and Det. Tyjeski arrived at the residence 6593 Moff Road, Atwater, Ohio, where Dep. Dawson had the area secured, checked in 7:00 p.m.

We entered the residence by way of the garage door that was up. Door was on south side of the house. There was an entrance from the garage into the kitchen area. Just inside the door there were two bodies laying on the kitchen floor,

one male and one female. Both victims were laying on their right sides.

Male victim had on brown shoes, dark pants, multi color flannel shirt, and dark blue vest. Blue and white stripe engineer hat lying on floor near victim's head. Victim also had glasses on.

Female victim had on, black shoes, white socks, black slacks and a pink sweater. Both victims appeared to have several gun shot wounds.

Victims were pronounced dead by Dr. Sybert at 7:10 p.m., 04-07-90.

There were several shell casings laying at different locations on the kitchen floor. One shell casing came to rest on Mr. Hartig's left arm near the elbow area. Another casing was located on the living room floor under some papers that had been removed from the desk. Casings were Winchester 25 Cal. There was a projectile that was recovered from under a chair near the female's feet. There was an indentation in the wall on the west side of the kitchen just above the chair Bearnhardt may have been sitting in. There was another hole where a projectile went through the inner kitchen wall south side, knocked plaster off the living room wall. There was a chair next to the south wall in the kitchen where Cora was believed to have been sitting that had wood splinters on the back, which indicated this was done by a projectile. When you enter the living room from the kitchen there was a desk to your left that had several drawers pulled open. There were papers and a strong box on top of the desk. As you walked east, the bathroom would be the first room to your left. This room did not indicate anything disturbed. The next room to your right was a small spare room. This was where Cora had a pail of water. It looked like she had been cleaning windows. Also, she had taken the curtains down.

If you went down the hall (east) the next room to your left would be the master bed room. Most of the drawers were pulled open to the chest of drawers, dresser and night stand. Sliding door was slid back, unknown if anything had been taken. The chest of drawers had a lot of jewelry, some empty ring boxes. The ring boxes were taken by evidence officer Det. Ristity and sent to BCI to be tested for

prints.

The room across the hall from the master bed room was another spare room. This room had a vanity that had the drawers pulled out. Also sliding door to wall closet was slid back open which indicated someone had been looking for something. There was a small black box that was on the vanity that had been opened. Just a few pictures was all that was in the black box. Lt. Doak dusted the following for fingerprints:

- Glass on top of desk, front room.
- Strong box that was on desk, front room.
- Round tin box with sewing equip, came from closet master bed room, Browning shot gun.
- Black box from vanity spare room.
- Door handles to sliding doors to closets - Master and spare rooms.
- Drawers to vanity spare rooms.
- Shell casings and ring boxes taken to BCI for prints (Ristity)

In going over the crime scene, it indicated that Bearnhardt and Cora were working around their home and they were murdered during the day light hours. Bearnhardt's lawn tractor was outside by the corner of the garage. Him lime spreader was out by the turn around. The top was still open where he was filling the spreader. Shovel was still at the lime pile.

Cora had been cleaning windows in the spare room on the south side. Inside window was up, storm window was still in tack. There was a pail of water and some other cleaning supplies on the floor.

By all indications, there was no sign of alarm or signs of a struggle.

Bearnhardt took his coat and gloves off, laid them on a large wood box by the door where you go from the garage into the kitchen.

The crime scene indicates that Bearnhardt, Cora, and the assailant were all sitting down in the dining area.

There was a hole on the west wall just above the back of the

chair where the projectile hit.

There was a place on the chair where projectile splintered back of the chair. There was another chair moved out from the table. it was facing the other chairs.