GCPS INVESTIGATION REPORT

CASE #: 20150108 DATE: updated 2/25/15 CASE MANAGER: Diane Stuckart (for Denise Hall/ParaTrek)

CLIENT: PHONE:

SITE ADDRESS: Loxahatchee FL

REPORTING INVESTIGATOR: Diane Stuckart

Summary of Client Issues/Concerns:

(From info provided by ParaTrek) Client states that activity began in September, 2014. She denies a specific event or knowledge of an occurrence that would invite activity. She claims that she has also had several handymen, service persons, etc. out to the home to address potential maintenance issues prior to considering paranormal activity. Reports of loud noises in the attic and ceilings that seem to "follow" her when she attempts to seek origin. Other assorted noises in the kitchen. Disembodied voices, mostly mumbling. She also says she's been touched and hit. GCPS sent interview team for preliminary visit; client's concerns justified follow-up investigation.

Team Members: Diane Stuckart, David Bates, Kari Barnett, Donna Clevenger, Diane

Peebles, Pam Czarnecki, guest investigator Leslie Borghini

Site Conditions: Dark, temps 60s

Equipment Set-up (command center and specific locations): N/A, carried equipment throughout except for recorder in rear powder bath (later den)

Documented Evidence (list any evidence obtained and reviewed, and note if it was categorized as debunked, undetermined, or paranormal)

Video Tape Evidence: 2 possible orbs captured

Camera Evidence: None

Digital Recorder (EVP) Evidence: Various per attached

Misc Equipment Evidence:

• **EMF meter:** a couple of minor spikes, nothing of note

• K-II meter: minor spikes

• Thermometer/temp sensor: N/A

Other: N/A

Personal Experiences (team member[s] and event):

Donna: "I had no significant experiences, but only a feeling of a presence in the room with the twin beds [the "fork" room]. It sort of felt like walking under water."

Leslie: reported heaviness in her chest momentarily in the "fork" room, in the "laundry" room, and at the master closet. Sensed a presence in the "laundry" room and saw a shadow figure there.

Also see general comments

General Comments (location and background comments from original report):

The location – Exterior: approx. 5K square foot single family home on ~1.5 acre lot (typical of Lox/Acreage). Built 2001, client is 3rd owner and bought as bank foreclosure. Fenced and gated across front (could not determine because of darkness the rest of the property. Also two detached garages at driveway. House is an L shape with a huge pool cage over pool/patio area located inside the L. Front of house has typical S. FL landscaping, no other trees or bushes in close proximity to the house. Note: apparently after Client moved in, her daughter learned that a school friend had been a previous occupant of the house, but no issues with that family (no drugs, law, etc).

The location — Interior: open floor plan, very high ceilings, many of the rooms are sparsely furnished allowing for much sound and echoing throughout the home. Expensive home but built in 2001 and showing its age somewhat. David noted that kitchen cabinets seem to be coming loose from wall.

Client: Client currently lives alone except for her male cousin (he was not in attendance during our visit). Previous occupant included client's 16 YO daughter. Client is self-employed (clothing designer) and works out of house. She is Haitian with strong accent, tall, slim, late thirties (?) divorced. Family lives in Miami, including mother, father, and estranged sister. Client also owns a home in Miami (more on that below).

Background info: The day before our interview, a local paranormal group called HOPE (?) conducted an investigation. They claimed she had a demon but that via prayer and ritual they convinced it to leave through the open front door. They also said they have some EVP evidence they will send her. I advised Client that we don't like to step in if another paranormal group is already investigating. She said she specifically asked the group if they were finished with their investigation, and they said yes. But she thinks they didn't get rid of "it".

Dreams: Client believes she has prophetic dreams and gave us details about them. One concerned her daughter, with whom she had some issues (running away). Lots of symbolism, including a black marlin.

Family issues: Apparently the Client has a sister from whom she is estranged, though she doesn't know why. Anger/jealousy, etc. They don't see each other but have talked on the phone once. Sister is dating a "voodoo priest" which Client thinks could be part of the problem...possibly sister targeting her.

Phenomenon being experienced: mostly knocking/footsteps in the attic which seem to follow her. Once it was scratching sounds. Her cousin and other visitors have heard it. She has brought in friends to help pray, which she says intensifies the noises. Note: client is doing some minor remodeling throughout the house but this does not seem connected to the noises.

Client incidents – Client related the following:

Tub incident: This occurred Sept 2014 and is what she thinks triggered the problems she is having. Client went into her large master bathroom to check something and stepped into the Jacuzzi tub, where she had extreme sudden knee pain. She got out and was very dizzy. She ended up in the kitchen and found herself in a sitting position against the kitchen cabinets and could not move. She called 911 for help. The paramedics checked her out and didn't find anything wrong but suggested she be transported, anyhow.

Since Client didn't have medical insurance any longer, she declined. She said the main result of the incident was a red, very sore spot at the base of her skull. She showed us the spot in the kitchen where she was. The drawers have small oval metal pulls that stick out and could easily have caused the symptoms she mentioned; however, she says she isn't short enough for that to be an explanation. Not sure we agree.

Burnt ballerina doll: Client found a ballerina doll on the steps of her Miami house (need to confirm timeframe of that). She said it appeared to be burnt around its head. She showed us a picture on her phone -- no scale to tell how big it was but it was not a cute "kid" type doll. Unknown how she disposed of it but she feels her sister might have had something to do with it. Possible threat.

Father: Her father once stayed the night in one of the smaller bedrooms that has two twin beds, one against each wall. Father claimed that he'd seen a dark shadow into the room and across the opposite bed (he was not asleep at the time but had been awake reading in the other bed). Client found he'd put two forks tines-up in bed to scare off the shadow, a voodoo cure. Note: while we were in that room listening to the account, I saw the hall lights momentarily flash; however, that is not at all atypical in Lox/Acreage.

What Client has done:

In addition to the prayer sessions which she said only intensify the sounds, she has gone with some voodoo cures as suggested by her family -- moth balls and garlic being hung (strong smell of moth balls throughout the house), a glass of water at the door.

She also had pest control companies check the attic, and they advised it was the cleanest they'd seen -- found no evidence of rats, etc.

GCPS Action in House: Client reviewed past and current issues with the full team. After these preliminaries, Client remained in the family room at the rear while the team broke up into 2 groups: Team A -- Diane/David/Leslie (with David at some point working between the two groups) and Team B -- DianeP/Donna/Kari/Pam (who occasionally split up).

Team A began in the attic – Diane and Leslie, with David below with video camera and serving as intermediary between the two teams as needed. The attic was accessible only by climbing over the rafters. Diane took the rear of the house, and then Leslie took the side (toward the bedroom). We attempted to recreate the footsteps with our own steps, pounding on the rafters, and shaking some cables. Team B and Client did not hear anything that sounded like the noises Client has been hearing. While in the attic, Leslie found and retrieved a red cloth wrapped around what turned out to be an orange that had been cored and stuffed with salt and seeds. Client advised that her mother and cousin had placed this as a voodoo "talisman" in the attic. Since it had not alleviated any of her issues, Client said it did not need to be returned to the attic. Attic was somewhat dusty but overall very clean and did not feel oppressive, no signs of any rodents; however, there were significant large ducts that could possibly be used by rats or mice to travel throughout the area.

Half of Team B, meanwhile, did an outside sweep of the pool cage area with one of the walkies and variously knocked and shook various sections of the pool cage. This sound was not heard inside.

Team B with David continued with EVP sessions in the master bedroom and in the family room while Diane and Leslie conducted an EVP session in the "fork" bedroom where Client's father had had an experience. Nothing specific detected there though Leslie felt some heaviness in her chest. Team A moved to the front "laundry" room and conducted a short EVP session. Leslie sensed a presence and felt pressure in her chest. She saw a shadow figure near where Client had some clothes hanging. This is also where an "orb" was captured two different times by Diane's IR GoPro camera. Per Leslie the presence "turned its back" on us and left.

Team A proceeded outside for a walk-around with camera and recorders. Team B moved to the laundry room for an EVP and ghost box session (David's camera was left there to record). After a sweep of the exterior, Team A joined Team B for additional ghost box and EVP session. At one point midway through the full-group session, all team members heard a disembodied "hmmm" that was captured on some audio. Following the "laundry" area EVP/ghost box session, the investigation wrapped up.

FOLLOW-UP: Feb 10-12, after conversation with the client, who indicated the sounds continue, David left a recorder at the house to run overnight. When he went to pick it up

Client.

again, client advised that the sounds were happening right then. David went inside to listen but did not hear anything other than normal sounds of the house settling.

Events or Evidence Flagged for Review on Future Visit(s): TBD

| Summary and Conclusions: | |
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| Reviewed with Client on | _2-27-14 |
| , | dings (EVPs, orbs, "feelings") appear to don't indicate any specific threat to |

Evidence presented to Client: EVP audio and orb video.

Paranormal Determination:

- Unfounded/debunked
- Undetermined
- X Possible Activity
- Haunted/Significant Paranormal Activity

Recommendation to Client: Original suggestions to the client were:

- Keep a log of the footsteps/sounds noting where in the house they occur, time, and what the outside temp is (trying to determine a pattern)
- "Take back her space" by firmly telling whatever might be in there that it is not welcome, and it must leave.
- To keep her from being disturbed by the sounds, suggest she get a box fan which she can use as white noise to help her better sleep at night.

Following the investigation, continue to recommend the above, but also suggest:

- Client remove all voodoo talismans, spells, particularly the mothballs
- Client have the house (particularly rear and attic areas) inspected by a qualified home inspector to determine if any structural issues could be causing the noise she hears.
- Given client's predilection for prophetic dreams, it is also possible that she is herself manifesting some of the sounds as poltergeist

- activity. Will provided client with information on the subject, with the recommendation simply to wait it out.
- Suggest that client does not continue to 'shop' for paranormal teams to continue investigating does not seem to be conducive to client's well-being.

| | 6 months |
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| | 1 year |
| X | Upon Client Request |

Report Approved: