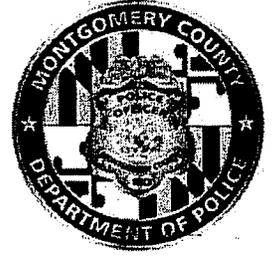




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Person of Interest:

WELCH, Lloyd Lee *also known as* **WELCH, Michael Lee**

Date of birth on record: 12/30/1956 (57 years old)

Items of Interest:

- Investigators have established that WELCH was at Wheaton Plaza on March 25, 1975
- Investigators have established that WELCH was observed paying attention to the LYON sisters while at the Wheaton Plaza.
- WELCH has multiple convictions for sexual offenses against young girls and has been incarcerated since 1997 for one of these offenses.
- WELCH has criminal convictions for raping young girls in Virginia, Delaware, and South Carolina.
- Although originally from the Washington, DC area, WELCH travelled extensively throughout the United States during the 1970's 80's and early 90's.
- WELCH was employed by a carnival company which travelled to various locations throughout the United States, often setting up at malls. WELCH was a ride operator for the carnival.

- WELCH was often accompanied during his travels by his girlfriend, Helen CRAVER, who was also employed by the carnival company.



Helen Craver (also known as Helen WELCH) (2.4.1953- 2009)

- WELCH was arrested on Hobson St. in the mid 1970's for burglary. Hobson St. is only blocks away from Wheaton Plaza:



- Investigators believe WELCH may have had some connection to the area surrounding the Walter Reed Annex and/or the “Castle” like church located at Forest Glen Road and Seminary Road, Silver Spring, MD.



- WELCH was known to hitchhike in and around the greater Washington, DC area including Wheaton, MD, where he also is believed to have walked along the railroad tracks from Kensington to Silver Spring, MD.
- WELCH has also been employed in various locations as a landscaper, including South Carolina and Delaware.
- Much of the time during the 1970's and 80's WELCH was considered a drifter, and believed to often stay in hotels and homeless shelters.

Information Needed from the Public:

- Anyone who has information about Lloyd WELCH.
- Anyone who has information about Helen CRAVER.
- Investigators believe that WELCH had contact with a security guard at the Wheaton Plaza around the date of the Lyon's girl's disappearance.

We are seeking information to identify the security guard and anyone else that worked or was at the mall the day of the disappearance.

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Timeline for Documented Locations of Lloyd Lee WELCH

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
January 9, 1974	Austin, Texas
March 25, 1975	Wheaton Plaza: Wheaton, MD
April 1, 1975	Address of 4714 Baltimore Ave. Hyattsville, MD provided to Law Enforcement
April 9, 1977	Takoma Park, MD
November 1977	Address of 1825 Main St. Orlando, FL Provided to Law Enforcement
November 24, 1977	Montgomery County, MD
March 13, 1980	North Miami Beach, FL
September 15, 1981	Hyattsville, MD
April 15, 1982-September 11, 1984	Incarcerated (MD)
March 18, 1987	Los Angeles, CA
April 27, 1987	Sioux City, IA
January 13, 1988	Myrtle Beach, SC
February 4, 1988	Sioux City, IA
December 20, 1988	Horry County, SC
March 17, 1989	Horry County, SC
September 1992	Lockhart, SC
November 16, 1992	Clover, SC
May 19, 1993	Union County, SC
May 31, 1994	Union County, SC
June 13, 1994	Baltimore, MD
June 21, 1994	Address of Rd. 3 Box 86 Bedford, PA provided to Law Enforcement
July 13, 1994	Address of 1800 Elmerton Ave. Harrisburg, PA provided for sex offender registry
1995	Prince William County, Virginia
June 1996	Address of 2242 Sussex Ct. Woodbridge, VA provided to Law Enforcement
March 1997	New Castle County, DE
July 1997-Present	Incarcerated (DE)

*Also believed to have spent time in New York-dates unknown

Lyon Family Statement

March 25th will mark 39 years since Kate and Sheila were taken from our family. Throughout these years our hopes for a resolution of this mystery have been sustained by the support and efforts of countless members of law enforcement, the news media, and the community. The fact that so many people still care about this case means a great deal to us.

We especially appreciate the tireless efforts of the Montgomery County Police Department, the FBI, and all agencies that have worked to solve this case. We are grateful for any information the public can provide to help bring this story to its conclusion, and ask that the family's privacy be respected during this time.