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Investigation Narrative

On 10-08-09 Deputy Steward and I responded to the Angel Valley Retreat to assist Deputy Sutton. Upon arrival I was informed that several people were suffering from an unknown medical condition. Several people had also left and went back to their cabins, tents or other buildings.

Sgt. Barbaro was also on scene and he and Deputy Sutton requested we check the surrounding buildings to check for anybody else that might be ill. We located a few people who were not feeling good but did not want medical attention.

Later I was asked by Deputy Sutton to speak to a Joshua A. Fredrickson. Mr. Fredrickson was near the "sweat Lodge" site where several people had suffered from the unknown medical condition. I spoke to Mr. Fredrickson and asked him some basic questions regarding the sweat lodge participation. He told me the retreat was a spiritual retreat and those participating in the sweat lodge experience were provided with water and electrolytes which were located directly outside of the lodge.

Lt. Parkison later arrived on scene. He asked me to locate James Ray and bring him down to the sweat lodge area. Deputy Sutton told me Mr. Ray was the one in charge of the group and he needed to answer some questions. The owner of the retreat grounds took me to where Mr. Ray was located. He was in his room which was located near the mess hall. Mr. Ray was in the middle of eating and I told him he needed to come to the site and answer some questions. He asked me "right now" and I told him yes now. He asked if "Joshua" was down at the site and if he could answer any questions we might have. He was referring to Joshua Fredrickson. I told him we needed him and asked him again to come down to the site. He put on some pants and followed me part way to the golf cart. He asked if he was going to be answering questions for a while and I told him he probably was. He then went back to his room and got his jacket. He then went with me to the site where he was contacted by Lt. Parkison.

During the rest of the call I either stood guard at the crime scene tape or detained Mr. Ray. We did not speak to each other during this time.

End of My Involvement.

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