

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT
STATE ATTORNEY OFFICE
SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT

SUBJECT: STEVE NEWMAN
FILE: 07-2572
DATE: FEBRUARY 13, 2002

On February 6, 2002 Steve Newman appeared at the State Attorney Office (SAO) pursuant to being subpoenaed for a SAO investigation. The following information was received.

Newman states he knew Shawn McMillan through casual contact at the British Pub located on Klosterman Road in Palm Harbor, Florida. Newman further knew Dan Nordmark and had played darts with him at the British Pub in the past. Newman states he did not socialize with either of the above subjects. Newman advised that he was at the Palms Bar and Grill located on Alderman Road in Palm Harbor during the late evening of September 1, 2001 at approximately 11:30pm. Newman had been at the Palms for thirty to forty five minutes when Shawn McMillan, Dan Nordmark, Rita Nordmark and Bernie Dilman arrived at approximately midnight to 12:15am, September 2, 2002. Newman states Dan, Rita and Bernie were seated at a table and

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Shawn was seated at the bar. Newman indicated that an altercation between Dan Nordmark, Bernie Dilman and Kim who runs the Kareoke, took place at approximately 12:30am. Newman states that Dan and Bernie were yelling at Kim and Ed the bartender went over to break it up. Newman states he left the Palms at this point and proceeded to the British Pub on Klosterman Road. Newman states he had been playing darts for approximately five minutes when Rita Nordmark, Dan Nordmark, Bernie Dilman and Shawn McMillan show up at the British Pub. Newman advised that Liz Carney the bartender gave last call at 1:45am and he and his friends, Victoria Mulvey, Kara Gillen, Dave Adkins Sr., Dave Adkins Jr. and Sarah Adkins went outside to the parking lot and stood by their vehicle and were talking. Newman at this point observed Dan Nordmark, Bernie Dilman and Shawn McMillan exit and proceeded to Rita Nordmark's vehicle parked in front of the British Pub. Newman observed Dan Nordmark remove a small gun case from the rear passenger side of the vehicle and place same on the roof of Rita's vehicle. Newman states he observed Dan Nordmark remove a small handgun from the case and place a magazine into the gun. Nordmark appeared to be having difficulty and made several attempts to chamber a round and upon completing this handed Bernie Dilman the gun. Newman states that Dilman fired a round in the air. Newman states that both Dan and Bernie were what he termed stupid

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drunk. Newman advised that Dan took the gun back from Bernie after
it was fired. Newman states that Rita Nordmark came out after the
gun was fired and yelled "what the fuck are you doing"? Newman
advised that he and his friends left abruptly after the gun was
fired. Newman stated he had stopped by the Pub the following day
and spoke with Rita Nordmark and expressed to her how uncomfortable
he felt about the gun firing incident. Newman states that Rita said
Dan got his and made no further comment. Newman advised he later
heard that Shawn McMillan was dead. Newman has heard several
versions of what occurred. Newman states he had heard that Shawn
McMillan was playing with a gun in the back of a car and the gun
went off. He has further heard that Shawn had decided to shoot
himself. Newman states he may have heard the above stated versions
from Rita Nordmark and other patrons (unknown) at the British Pub.

Newman states he has related all of the above information to
FDLE during telephonic interviews. Newman states he has further
been interviewed by Channel 28 News approximately two weeks ago.
Newman denied ever having heard that Kimberly Swailes was threatened
with a gun by anyone. Newman states he did hear that Dan Nordmark
had gone out to his vehicle at the Palms to get his gun and had
locked his keys inside. Newman indicated that both Dan Nordmark and
Bernie Dilman are big guys and should not have felt

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intimidated by Kimberly Swailes. Newman states he spoke telephonically with Shawn's mother, Michaela Mahoney when he heard that Shawn had committed suicide. Newman advised he called to tell her what he had observed. Newman stated that he had no further knowledge other than stated above.