

Transcribed Interview

This interview was done October 3rd between Detective Prudence Bickerstaff (Pru for short) of Kay Raymond and Susan Weight. Kay is a member of the Capital Campaign committee as well as the Friends of the Library, and Susan is involved in the Library Board and Capital Campaign. This interview was performed with consent at 4:00pm and recorded with permission.

Initials are DB for Detective Pru, KR for Kay Raymond, and SW for Susan Weight.

DB: Thank you ladies for coming in today, you're the last interview. I'm hoping That you can help us out. I know it's not normal protocol to interview together, But I thought it would help since you both came into together.

KR: No problem.

SW: We are here to help.

DB: So, why were you both in the library?

KR: We had brought roses leftover from the cemetery walk, and we also were Bringing a box of books that we had in the friends booksale...and we thought That the library probably would want them.

DB: Were the roses white?

KR: They were. How did you know?

DB: One was found near Aric's body.

SW: Oh my. That's weird.

DB: Yes, it is. Did you place it there?

SW: No! Of course not! The last I saw of the roses, they were in a bundle that we had Left on top of the box of books. Maybe Aric wanted to keep one?

KR: How was the rose found?

DB: On the ground by his side.

KR: Oh how dramatic.

DB: Indeed.

SW: The books were heavy and we couldn't carry them upstairs. We tried, it Was all we could do to just get them inside. Aric said he would take

Care of them for us.

KR: I think he ended up bringing them upstairs and putting them on a cart.

SW: For shelving purposes or something. It's easier that way.

DB: Did you see him do this?

KR: Well, we saw him when we dropped off the books, which was around 5.
He had a heck of a bump/cut on his head and man was he sweating.
Just wasn't his normal self.

SW: Yeah, he was kind of mean. And he's never mean. But maybe he didn't
Want to mess the books on a Friday? Who knows.

DB: So, he was hot? Was it hot in the library?

KR: I don't remember it being hot. I was comfortable.

SW: Felt perfectly fine to me, actually I think it was a little cool.

DB: Interesting. So, it was cool in the library but Aric was agitated and sweating.

SW: Sounds right.

DB: Is there anything else you can remember?

KR: He kept talking about how he couldn't find his favorite book, and he was angry
About it thinking someone had stolen it. So, he was going to look for it
While shelving these. Something about eyes and god....

DB: Hmmmmm....

SW: Do people steal books often?

KR: It's more like they don't realize they need to check them out. OR the book
Gets shelved wrong. Which his probably what happened.

DB: Okay, this has helped a lot. Thanks so much!