



Delia Adriano

Halton Regional Police hope to uncover new information about old case



Sketch of suspect

By JENNIFER ENRIGHT

Halton Regional Police's Major Crime Bureau is holding out the hope that members of the public will help solve a cold case that has baffled police for over 20 years.

Detectives Keith Woudstra and Maureen Martin of Halton Police are re-examining the murder case of Delia Adriano of Oakville, a young woman whose body was found southwest of Campbellville on November 6, 1982.

The case is a particularly difficult one for Delia's family. Det. Woudstra says the Adrianos have been living with the nightmare of Delia's murder for over 20 years and it would be nice for the family to have some sense of closure.

Elena Clarke, Delia's sister, was 16 at the time of her sister's disappearance in 1982, but to her it seems like it was only yesterday. The memories are painful but real for Clarke and her two remaining sisters and other members of her family.

In the fall of 1982, Clarke's sister - someone she describes as a petite woman with brown curly hair and large brown eyes - went missing. The last time Clarke saw her sister was in late September, and the memories of their last talk together are vivid still. "I was the last one to see her before she left. She said she would be home in time to watch TV. We were going to watch *One Day at a Time* together."

Delia was 25 at the time of her disappearance, which occurred a week before her

26th birthday. Unfortunately, the Adrianos never got to celebrate her birthday on October 3.

Clarke's family prayed that she would be found, but on Saturday, November 6, 1982, her body was located in a wooded area near Second Line and Third Sideroad in Milton, not far from Crawford Lake Conservation Area southwest of Campbellville. Delia's body was discovered in a secluded area known as a local lover's lane several hundred yards east of Second Line.

At the time she went missing police had little to go on, but officers suspect that Delia was abducted by someone who knew her. According to police reports, on Sunday, September 26, 1982 at 10:30 pm witnesses reported hearing a woman screaming in the area of Wildwood Drive and Slade Crescent in Oakville. Apparently, a woman fitting Delia's description was forced into a dark sub-compact vehicle by a male suspect. Witnesses described the vehicle as similar to a two-door hatchback with distinctive white striping on the sides. According to police, the striping may have been applied to the vehicle after market.

Police would like to speak with anyone with information either about the case or the vehicle identified by witnesses.

Members of the public can call Halton Regional Police at 905-825-4777, ext. 4856 or 5148 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.



PHOTO BY JENNIFER ENRIGHT

Halton Regional Police Detective Keith Woudstra is trying to unearth as much information as he can about a cold case that dates back to 1982 when Delia Adriano of Oakville was murdered. The young Oakville woman's body was found down this path southwest of Campbellville across from Third Sideroad, off the Second Line. The area is just south of the intersection of Twiss Road and Campbellville Road. The path is blocked off by two large rocks now, but back in the early 1980s vehicles were often seen travelling into the woods in this area. In those days, it was a well known lovers' lane.

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