

- **January 27,2008**

Pam and a coworker drove down from Hueytown, AL to Panama City, FL for a business trip with Acosta to participate in a Winn Dixie set in Panama City. They arrived to their hotel, the LaQuinta Inn on Thomas Drive, around 5:30 pm and checked in. Then, they went to WalMart to get snacks and other necessities and went back to their hotel. Pam was last seen going in to her hotel room at 7:00 pm.

- **January 28th**

When Pam didn't meet Acosta coworkers in the LaQuinta lobby for work around 6 am, her coworker knocked on her hotel room door and got no answer. Hotel management opened Pam's door and found Pam's room to have not been slept in. It looked as though Pam had turned down the bed for the night, but never slept in it. All of her belongings, including her clothes, luggage, purse with cell phone and money, were still in the room and her car remained parked in the lot. Between 6:00 and 6:15 am, Pam's supervisor contacted Don, Pam's husband, to let him know that Pam had not shown up for work and they were unsure of her whereabouts. Coworkers searched for Pam and called Don back to let him know that they could not find Pam. Don called Pam's sister, Paula, and informed her of what was going on and they left Birmingham, AL together around 10:00 am and arrived in Panama City, FL at 4:10 pm. When they arrived at the LaQuinta, coworkers were coming out of the wooded area behind the LaQuinta that they had been searching in for Pam. Don met with detectives who were present. Due to connections the owner of the hotel had with the sherriff's office, detectives were already on the scene and investigating before Don and Paula had arrived. Pam's room had already been searched and sealed and Pam's car had already been searched. Background checks on every person staying in the hotel had been made and the area was also checked for sex offenders and anyone with a criminal record in order to find the probability that Pam could be in danger. Search dogs had already been tracking Pam's scent. Her scent had been tracked down the hall of the hotel leading to the side door and the dogs also tracked her scent out to the main road. However, the dogs lost her scent once they reached the main road. Wilmette, a Winn Dixie coworker emailed Greta Van Susteren. Don and Paula left the hotel and drove around looking for Pam outside and checked in stores, looking everywhere they could think of that Pam may have gone. In the evening, Don and Paula returned to the LaQuinta, where they were provided rooms, and made phone calls to family members to inform everyone about Pam's disappearance. Don instructed his son, Zachary, to stay home in Hueytown, AL at all times in case anyone called concerning Pam and in case Pam showed up at home.

- **January 29th**

On Tuesday morning, the Bay County Sherriff's Office had "missing person" flyers made using Pam's driver license picture. Don and Paula went out to pick up supplies needed to search for Pam and for hanging flyers. They drove down Back Beach Road searching for Pam and then made their way back to the hotel to meet with detectives. Detectives asked Don questions to cover every angle of why Pam might be missing and brainstormed to figure out the best ways to initiate their search. They confirmed what coworkers said about Pam's disappearance, the last time Don spoke with Pam, etc, as well as how information on the temperature, tides, and currents may be helpful in the search for Pam. All hotel rooms of the LaQuinta were searched. After speaking with detectives, Don and Paula went out to get more flyer. Don and Kim, Pam's supervisor, both paid to have a total of about 200 flyers made at Postnet and Don and Paula spent the afternoon covering Panama City with flyers. There had been 2 sitings reported at an Alvin's Island and at a service station downtown. Investigators looked into both reportings, but neither turned out to be Pam. Helicopters scanned the beach and wooded areas for Pam, but no sitings. Paula and Brenda, Pam's coworker, visited a shelter, but no Pam. Don had his first news interview with WJHG of Panama City. In the afternoon, other family members arrived, including Debbie (Pam's sister-in-law), Randy (Pam's brother), Tracy (Pam's sister-in-law), and Leah (Pam's sister-in-law) with her husband and 2 kids. Pam's son Jake and his wife Brittney arrived later in the evening. More phone calls were made to friends and family to give updates and information on Pam's disappearance.

- **January 30th**

On Wednesday, Pam's son, Zachary, did an interview with Birmingham's ABC 33/40 news

station from his home. In Panama City, Don and Brenda gave their statements to the investigators. Detectives told family what they would be doing in the search for Pam, including search crews (a ground team), Naval support team fly overs using helicopters with infrared sensor equipment and night vision goggles over beach and land, and Coast Guard searches of water and beach during the day. Pam's brother, Randy, had 500 more flyers made and family and friends posted more flyers during the day. Pam's sister-in-law, Debbie, checked all transit, including airport, buses, trolley, and taxi. Another news interview was done with Panama City's WMBB News 13. In the evening, Pam's nephew and his wife, Adam and Cassie, arrived. Jake and Adam went out posting flyers during the night. Cassie and Brittney, Pam's daughter-in-law, worked on the internet, posting bulletins on MySpace, making a group (Finding Pam Biggers) on facebook, and emailing Nancy Grace.

- **January 31st**

On Thursday morning, the family met with detectives again. Paula's statement was taken. Jeremy King of Birmingham's ABC 33/40 drove in to Panama City

and took interviews for news broadcast in Birmingham. Paula did an interview with WMBB of Panama City. Coastal Communications in Panama City made, printed, and donated 1000 flyers! The family decided that the Panama City area was covered with flyers and it was time to cover area outside of Panama City. So, family divided up areas to cover and expanded the search outside of Bay County. Flyers were posted in counties surrounding Bay County and Jeremy King with ABC 33/40 even followed family posting flyers to Dothan, AL. Acosta left for home and took flyers with them to areas including Pensacola, Mobile, and New Orleans. At night, Jake and Adam went out again posting flyers.