

MCSTAY FAMILY TIMELINE

(please not this is from my ongoing working file)

Summer and Joey met in 2004

Moved to house Thanksgiving 2009

Jan. 28, 2010 -Someone using the McStay's computer searched for information about travel to Mexico and passports for children.

Jan. 31 - Family celebrates youngest son Joseph Jr. 3rd birthday

Wed. Feb 3RD Family friend McGyver is in the home painting

Thursday Feb. 4th 2010

That Morning Summer speaks to her sister Tracy, makes plans to visit sister and her newborn child. No mention of a trip

10:39am Patrick McStay speaks to Joey that morning for 4mins, he called Joey. He tells P he was going to meet Chase Merritt for lunch

About noon, Joseph leaves home in his Isuzu Trooper for meeting with Chase in Rancho Cucamonga. Approx; 1 hour and 10 minutes away.

1:15 /1:30 If Joey met Chase Merritt as scheduled, we can roughly calculate this to be the time

2:11pm Summer makes call from home landline to about purchasing a herbal medicine

2:36 p.m. Summer McStay's credit card used to purchase beach bags, infant pajamas, jacket from Ross store in Vista, CA about a 20 minute drive from the home

3:52 p.m. Home computer used to search Craigslist for children's toys.

4:18p.m. Joseph call Chase for 3mins. Or a call came from Joey's phone to Chase..we can't assume it was Joey

4:25 p.m. Outgoing call from home phone to Joseph's cell, which pings from Fallbrook tower. This is the last outgoing call from the home phone.

4:27 p.m. Joey does voicemail retrieval, lasts 4mins.

4:31.p.m. He does another voicemail retrieval, 2mins long.

5:47 p.m. Calls to Chase Merritt's cell phone. 3mins long.

5:47 p.m. Text incoming (Summer)

5:47 p.m. Text incoming (unknown)

Joey arrives home sometime after 6:00pm (**I have this in my timeline but not sure where this came from, may not be accurate**)

7:47 p.m. Neighbor's security surveillance video catches Isuzu leaving the cul de sac. Only bottom portion of vehicle is visible; occupants cannot be seen.

8:28 p.m. Joseph calls Chase. Cell phone pings off a Fallbrook tower. It goes to voicemail according to Chase and Chase says he hears what sounds like restaurant noise.

Discusses work last time anyone has heard from them

5 days pass

FEB. 5th 6th 7th 8th no one hears from Summer or Joseph
dogs are left alone

Feb. 6th Dan Cavanaugh changes the state tax license for
joeys company EIP to his name and withdraws 2,000

Monday Feb. 8th

Feb. 8, 2010 – Family's 1996 Isuzu Trooper towed from a
parking lot near San Ysidro, Calif., 80 miles from the McStay
home. Security guards later tell investigators that it may
have been parked there sometime between 5:30 p.m. and 7
p.m.

Monday Feb 8TH

Police find a family that resembles the Mcstay crossing the
border into Mexico shortly after 7:00pm Connecting dots
that didn't connect

Tuesday Feb. 9th

Dan Kavanaugh contacted Patrick. Patrick contacted Michael
to find out what he wanted. DK was worried about Joseph
not responding to emails or calls. This is the first Michael
McStay becomes aware

Wednesday 10th

DK called Sheriff for welfare check. Sent a cruiser to do a
welfare check just around the house. They didn't find
anything suspicious and left. But they didn't go in the
house**

Thursday 11th

Chase Merritt, who worked for Joseph, goes to the house
after being contacted by Susan (Joeys mom).

Friday Feb. 12th

Michael goes to the house on Saturday. Leaves note for whomever left the food for the dogs to call him. The same day animal control called him saw his note and said it was them. Said they'd have to remove dogs if they weren't cared for.

Saturday Feb. 13, - Mike McStay (Joseph's Brother) crawls inside an open window, searching for family. Finds food was left on the counter in the kitchen.

Monday Feb 15th

9:39 am Michael McStay report them missing to San Diego County sheriff's deputies

10:32 am Officers, including Det. DuGal (filed warrants) arrive at the McStay home.

They leave suspicious, but don't mark it as a crime scene. Isuzu pops up as impounded.

Monday Feb. 15th

Dan Cavanaugh removes 2,000 and 3,000 from Joeys account for a total of \$7,000

Tuesday Feb. 16th

Det. Dugal secures warrants to get the car.

Wednesday Feb. 17th

Susan (Joey's mom) calls family friend McGyver MCCarger asks him to meet her at McStay house.

She was cleaning up with house when he got there.

McGyver says the futon in the living room no longer has a cover on it. On the 3rd he sat on the futon and it had a cover on it.

Friday Feb. 19th

SD Homicide shows up and starts removing things. They say there was no sign of struggle.

Got search warrants. convince a judge there was probable cause

Feb. 22 – Deputies say the disappearance has them baffled.

Feb. 23 - detectives notify Interpol to be on the look out for McStay family who might be traveling in Mexico.

Feb. 25 – Officials release fliers and ask Mexican authorities for a search of airports, bus stations and other major travel hubs. Dugal informs family of video and asks them to come in an view it.

March 3rd Susan in the house cleaning again, ooking for financial records and puts clothes into a suitcase

March 5 - Video released deputies say they've spotted images of a group of people similar to the McStay family walking into Mexico through the pedestrian gate. The video is dated around 7 p.m. Feb. 8.

March 17th day before I go in the house cops notice futon cover missing

****March 18th – Relatives allow myself and Tim Miller from Texas Equusearch a tour of the McStay family home.****

March 30th, 2010 – FBI joins the investigation.

May 13th, 2010 - Seven investigators arrived in El Rosario, Mexico after a tip from the staff of a local restaurant. The waiter accurately described a birthmark on Joey McStay's forehead.

June 19th, 2010 – The McStay family mystery was featured on “America’s Most Wanted”

August 3rd, 2010 – The belongings were removed from the McStay family home by relatives.

April 9, 2013: Based on surveillance video captured at the border crossing, San Diego Sheriff’s Department investigators announce that the McStay family left for Mexico voluntarily. **They wanna close the case**

Nov .11, 2013 - Motorcycle rider finds human remains in northern Victorville desert.

Nov. 12, 2013 - Forensic investigators including an anthropologist work through day and night uncovering two grave sites with multiple human remains.

Nov. 13, 2013 - Sheriff's investigators conclude that remains of four people have been discovered.

Nov. 15, 2013 - San Bernardino County Sheriff John McMahon identifies the bodies found as Joseph, Summer, Joseph Mateo and Gianani McStay.

Nov. 7, 2014 - San Bernardino County Sheriff's investigators announce the arrest of Charles Chase Merritt. He is charged with four counts of murder in the McStay slayings.