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Family of Missing Killawog Woman Mark 17th Anniversary of Disappearance

Family Offers \$20,000 for Information Leading to Bethanie Dougherty's Whereabouts

(TOWN OF DICKINSON, NY) Family members of a missing Killawog woman joined members of the Broome County Sheriff's Office to invite the community to a candlelight vigil in memory of Bethanie Dougherty, who disappeared 17 years ago.

Bethanie L. Dougherty, wife and mother of three, was last seen by her family on Tuesday, April 1, 2008 around 10:00pm at their home on Jennings Creek Rd in Killawog, NY. Her family reported her missing to the Broome County Sheriff's Office the next day when Bethanie could not be located, despite her car keys, cell phone and purse all found still in her home.

In the early morning hours of April 2, 2008 before Bethanie was reported missing, New York State Police responded to the area of Jennings Creek Road in Killawog due to residents reporting hearing someone possibly screaming in the area. The area was checked, and nothing was located. A vehicle described as a mid-to-late 1990s Chevy S-10 style pick-up truck was reported in the area at the time of Dougherty's disappearance.

The investigation has been open for the past 17 years, and Broome County Sheriff's detectives and Bethanie's family are asking any community members with information on the case to contact the Broome County Sheriff's Office Tip Line at (607) 778-1196 or submit your tip anonymously on the Sheriff's website at https://broomecountyny.gov/sheriff/crime-info-tips.

Bethanie's family is offering a \$20,000 reward for information leading to her return or recovery.

A candlelight vigil will be held in memory of Bethanie on Tuesday, April 1st from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM at the Killawog Fire Department at 602 Jennings Creek Rd, Killawog, NY 13794.

"Bethanie was a loving mother of three, and we want to make sure she is never forgotten," said John Curtis, Bethanie's brother. "We're asking the community to join us for this vigil and ask anyone with information that helps us find Bethanie to please come forward."

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