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Land, air, water: no clues

By Robert Keyes
The search for three missing women who disappeared a week ago today.

On horseback, on foot and in all-terrain vehicles by air and on water, up to 40 people found no obvious traces of Sherri Levitt, 47, her daughter, Stacey Streeter, 19, or the women's friend, Stacy McCall, 18. They will try again today.

With hundreds of acres of central and southeast Springfield and Greene County behind them, searchers will shift to similar areas — woods and waterways — in the southwest part of the city and county.

Officers also will try overcasted areas southwest and northwest of Springfield for signs of the women who were reported missing June Sunday from Levitt's 1717 E. Dumas St. home.

The baffling case appeared no closer to being solved.

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(Tips, potential evidence continue to pour in to Springfield police.)

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Delmar Street house, friends, family yield bits of information

Police investigation peers at all angles

By Chris Bentley

The book on the headboard of State Streeter's roomed must have seemed lighthearted once. Now, it seems warped in irony.

It's "The Power You're In," by children's author Dr. Seuss.

Today marks a week since Streeter, 19, disappeared with her mother, Sherri Levitt, 47, and Streeter's friend Stacy McCall, 18.

Where they went from Levitt's home between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. last Sunday has Springfield police working around the clock, dropping almost everything else to find the missing women.

"We have hundreds of tips, but no leads," said Police Capt. Tom Glenn.

Interviews by The News-Leader with scores of people who know the women, or who are involved in the case, reveal different theories as to what could have occurred inside the house at 1717 E. Dumas St., a two-story residential area a block west of busy South Glenstone Ave.

Former stepdaughter speculates

One person particularly close to Levitt and Streeter is Melissa Unger of South Unger is the daughter of Don Levitt, who divorced Sherri Levitt about 2 1/2 years ago. Unger, 22, lived with Sherri Levitt for several years and still calls her "my mom." She's very close to Streeter, too. "She's like my little sister," she said.

She was one of the first people to know the women were gone.

Stacy McCall, Stacy McCall's mother, called her last Sunday night from Levitt's home, hoping she knew where the women were.

Unger didn't, but she has thought of almost nothing else since then, she said.

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(A stepdaughter gives insight into Levitt's character and what may have happened.)

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MISSOURI LOTTERY

Saturday's results

Pick 3 514 Lotto 14,20,29,34,42,42
Superball Powerball
6,8,12,30,35 13,27,30,43,44,41

WEATHER

Chance of rain: less than 20%
Partly sunny, high in the mid-80s. Light to partly cloudy. Low in the lower 60s.
Weather report on 12A.

85/63°

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