

**Richard S. Sperrazza (Richie) m/w 05/27/46**

**6'1', 150 lbs., Brown Eyes, Black**

**Hair**

**SS #126-34-0609  
NYSID #3698006K  
FBI #222784N2**

**Check on Richard R Sperazza, or Gloria Sperazza in Florida. A Gloria Sperazza was a witness at Ellephas Disco.**

**ADDRESSES**

707 E. 242nd St.	Bronx, NY	1975
1-3 Remsen Circle	Yonkers, NY	1976, 1978 & 1979
10 Richard Ave.	Mt. Vernon, NY	1981, 1984 & 1987
29 Berter Ave.	Mt. Vernon, NY	1981
87 Sanford St.	Yonkers, NY	1989
80 Crotty Ave.	Yonkers, NY	1987
130 Colonial Pkwy.	Yonkers, NY	

**NEW YORK**

04/10/74	Bronx	Endangering the Welfare of a Child
		Attempted Sexual Abuse
03/24/79	Yonkers	Harassment
09/26/81	Mt. Vernon	Grand Larceny
		Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance
02/17/84	White Plains	Grand Larceny
04/06/84	Westchester County	5 years probation
04/16/90	Westchester County	Discharged

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OVERVIEW/ RICHIE S.

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---Yonkers reports say much. Pivotal: he said he met DB in March of '76---that's a problem for Richie. DB was still in the Cassara house in New Rochelle then, and DB didn't begin working with Richie until the construction job in the Fall of '76. So--- just how did they come to know each other in March '76?

---It's possible that DB's "uncle" Lou Schwimmer helped both DB and Richie get construction jobs in Westchester at Texaco and/or into that sheet metal workers union as apprentices in Fall, '76. (Richie mentioned DB's "uncle" Lou to NYPD in '77.)

---In Yonkers reports, Richie admitted knowing DB, admitted being in his apartment more than once and vice versa, and said he was afraid of being killed or implicated in SOS.

---Whose dark brown Nova was Richie driving on 8/11/77 when Yonkers cops stopped him? (NY 546-HDP).

---Richie picked up John Di Frenza and was with John at DB's the day of DB's arrest. (We can say he was seen and ID'd.) He was also probably at the JFK marina that night with Cann and others. We believe he was the one who was so "upset" about being involved in the murders---and we know he was STILL upset the next day.

---Richie knew Billy Cohen from the construction job at Texaco; and told NYPD in '77 that DB and Billy were close pals.

---Richie told NYPD in '77 that DB had an auto mechanic on Connor St. in the NE Bronx and that he, Richie, had driven him there. (DB has spoken about New Rochelle Ford service on North Ave., but not this mechanic---so maybe there's something lurking here.)

---Richie has a sex crime history, dope problems, etc.

What else we know:

---Richie was with DB on Xmas Eve '76. First at Richie's on Remsen Circle, where they had drinks with the mailman, whom we believe is Don Savage.

Then, Richie (not Savage) was with DB later for the Neto dog shooting at 18 Wicker. The Netos' know/stated two people were obviously involved---the shooter and the getaway car driver. (It was DB's car; DB was likely the shooter while Richie drove.)

---Richie got a parking ticket on Judy Placido's block (Wickham Ave, Bronx) a few months before Judy was shot outside the Elephas disco in Queens. (Al S.'s partner has the ticket.)

---Richie was among those at the infamous JPD meeting in the Purchase house to plan SOS.

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---Richie was at three SOS scenes: first, Lauria in the NE Bronx on 7/29/76 (he was with Norman in the tan Ford; DB and Mike Carr were in DB's car.)

---Richie was also at Freund in Forest Hills on 1/30/77. The small red car (likely a Buick Opel) was his. Driven by Bob Lowe. "King Willie" did the hit and escaped in that red car. DB/Charlie Houser also there. Cummaro there too, and witnessed the shooting with another guy (maybe Guido De Curtis; maybe not.)

---Richie also was at Moskowitz. Provided the green and white car seen there and noted in DD-5. Was with Tom Gurksnis. Wheat/VW, Barry Dossenko and DB also there. Also there was the van w/Sisman, Jimmy Cummaro and Mickey DeVinko inside.

---On 9/26/97 DB confirmed Richie did the Greenburgh sniping on May 30, '77 (White House Rd., Lisa Gottlieb, 16, was wounded by shots fired through the window of the house.) A girl was with Richie then. Maybe "Angie." Richie used the same green and white car he later brought to Moskowitz.

Note: it's also possible this same car was later used by Signorelli in November '77 for the Gallace/Levy shooting in New Rochelle. (The Greenburgh case: attempted murder. No statute of limitations.)

---Richie was at Untermeyer; DB says he was in the cult long before he was; and maybe back far enough to know re: the kids in the park.

---Richie has been photo ID'd by Savage, and at the very least ID'd as "familiar" by JoJo, Ace and a couple of others.



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MT's notes: Suggested plan on Richie:  
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---Call Kevin Morgan and Bill Devlin and ask if they could put forward a case on the Candlelight Inn as attempted murder in order for us to get Taco. (As well as the Richie/Lisa Gottlieb incident on White House Rd., Greenburgh, on 5/30/77.)

---Run that 546-HDP plate and do complete auto history on Richie and wife or wives. That 546 was a new plate on August 11, '77--- somewhere the green and white car may have been disposed of in the preceding few days. We also want to lock in the red Opel.

---MT will call JoJo to learn where "Angie" is---the Angie that is Sammy Forcelli's sister. It was Sammy who went to jail with Ray Harrington post DB's arrest. It was Ray who told Sammy about Sue Conway and Taco Grady, etc. being in the cult. Ask KM to see if mug shot exists of Angie Forcelli, or via a married name.

There's also a small possibility "Angie" is Angela Snodgrass, SHS class of '64. Her HS grad pix was ID'd by DB, who said: "She didn't look this good when I saw her." (12-13 years later.)

Snodgrass first surfaced via Brother JP, who named her from the cult crowd that hung out at the Emerald Isle. (MT can personally verify this based on knowledge of her in high school.) She was/is considered a possible suspect in the Wahstrom case, too. JP states she dated a biker named ANTHONY TROMBETTA, "a Bronx drop-out who moved to Yonkers" during JP's era of the '60s. Mike N. stated in '94 that at some point Angie married one of the co-owners of "Donaghy's" restaurant on Riverdale Ave., a place that Mike says is now closed. Mike says Angie was then living on Cricketwood South, in Yonkers. (NOTE: Mike N. also knew Angie in high school.)

Cricketwood

---Keep overall pressure on Richie; let him see surveillance; and consider west coast mail order and "Spy vs. Spy."

---Arrange KM to meet with the artist. Do as much on Richie via TV as possible to keep the heat on him.

---Ask DB if Richie himself told him re: Greenburgh and where this conversation occurred; also ask him to think re: "Angie" and if it's Forcelli/Snodgrass. Ask DB who else Richie hung with.

---Find Billy Cohen and flip him.

---Review "flipper list" to see who else to get now. (White/Savage, etc.)

---Keep the heat on Conway.

---Old plates/Albany. There may be smoking guns in that list.

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**OTHER:**

---Subpoena DMV for pix of all possible Charlie Housers or Hausers or Howsers in the appropriate age bracket. Ask DB for more on Charlie.

---Call Al re: luds on Maryland. (Done)

---Subpoena Alfred F. Battista's vitals from NYU. 3/16/45 DOB

---From Queens: The Richie DD-5; the Ann Steel DD-5; the Jeff Raywid/Mike LoPresti pix and 5s (maybe more than one 5); and get Billy Cohen's vitals. (Billy was interviewed by Herb Leifer in the fall of '79. Leifer taped it---so Billy's DOB is probably with that material. Or, the sheet metal workers union where Billy's dad was an official; or at Wolf and Munier, Elmsford. Leifer says files w/Greg Lasak @ 718-286-6320.

FROM: RICHIE JOHNSON 9/30/97  
TALK WITH KOLCHAK

1. Paulie Marcus drove Anthony Rabito. A Rabito AKA, beyond nickname "Peter Rabbit," was Tony Russo. There was a Tony Russo connected to RPR's disco in Port Chester in the 70s, and he had some connection to Marrichini's restaurant in P.C. also. Donovan had ties to both places. (Gulliver's link.) Find out if this Tony Russo was actually Rabito. Also, there was another Tony Russo---two different people---involved in The Upper Deck in P.C. in the late '80s. MT can check on this one. Finally, Joe Mainiero will fit in here somewhere (his girlfriend "Amy" was on the SOS Denaro scene).

2. Paulie Marcus hates Carmine Cardella, and told Rich J. on Dec. 27, '96 that he'd heard Carmine had killed a girl. Note: This was long before we heard what we came to know.

Richie J. says a girl, last name Kelly, was 16 in '71 when arrested at one of the group's clubs for being underaged worker. (She was not at the Gilded Grape in '71.) Richie says it's "possible, merely possible," that this is the girl in question. He is looking for more paperwork on this.

3. Carmine Cardella: 8/5/47 or 8/15/47. Arrested in Manhattan on 8/14/73, among other times, apparently. The B# on that one was: 859498.

4. Top SLA source stated Carmine was also involved in the "Sanctuary" club---putting him with Ace; Shelly Bloom; Cummaro, Steve Verk, Michael Giammetta, and others from our extended crowd.

5. The chain of command at the Gilded Grape ran from Carmine

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upwards to William Elmer "Sonny" Tobin, now deceased; to John Minx, an ex-NYPD captain; to Matty the Horse Aienello and the Genovese family.

6. A Ben Rose B# from an August '72 arrest was 662330.

7. '96 mail data showed a JIM FAULKNER getting mail at 316 Warburton. MT has discovered who this is, and it's very interesting: He is a former NYPD cop booted from the force in the early or mid-70s, allegedly for some incident that occurred off the job. He also knew WHEAT and was her boyfriend and "partner" in some construction business in New Rochelle in the mid-70s. (Almost certainly home improvement----this could possibly nail Cann.) AND, we may get the yellow VW here.

Faulkner also drove a motorcycle. Of great interest, a guy named Fred Degle or Degel worked for Faulkner. (He was living in Mamaroneck or Larchmont with a Hope Lodge (Degle/Degel) in '77. (Wonder if "Hope" could be the Process "Hope" in Utah today?) Degle/Degel also tended bar at some place in Mamaroneck (maybe where Sue Levy or her friend worked---the Toll House or Toll Gate? Or possibly the Mariner's Inn, which was a Wheat hangout. Maybe one and the same place with a name/ownership change.

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Wheat blamed Degle and "three friends" of his for killing the guard dog at Faulkner/Wheat's business in New Rochelle.

Allegedly, Degle also was doing construction work in the Carr house on the morning of 4/26/77, when Harvey was shot. Wheat claimed Freddie stole \$1000 from the Carr house.

WHEAT also fingered Degle as a DB accomplice, and stated she saw him with DB in DB's car just a couple of weeks before DB's arrest. She said the car was stopped next to her at a traffic light, and she saw Degle/Degel in the passenger seat and later ran the plate and it was DB's Ford Galaxie.

About a year ago, MT asked DB if he knew a Freddie Degle/Degel. DB replied: "Was he known as 'Beagle?'" MT said he didn't know, but it certainly rhymed, so it could be.

MT has not asked DB about Jim Faulkner yet.

It's possible Wheat is with him in Maryland.

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