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# **NEWS RELEASE**

## APD NEWS RELEASE:

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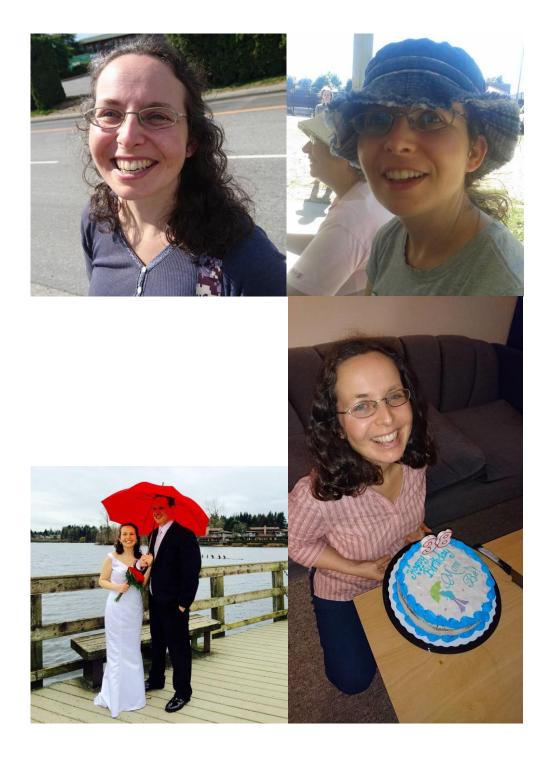
Incident: One Year Anniversary of Missing Person – Marie STUART

### Abbotsford – December 27, 2017

Today marks the one-year anniversary of the disappearance of 39-year-old Marie STUART. Marie was last seen (and captured on security video) walking near Seven Oaks Mall on South Fraser Way at 3:00 pm on this date last year. Marie was pregnant at the time and her baby's due date and her own birthday have passed. Her family and friends continue to worry incredibly about her and they maintain hope that she can be found.

This missing person's investigation is continuing for the Abbotsford Police Department. To date there have been numerous searches of the Mill Lake Park area both on land and on water. There have been a limited number of actual potential sightings with a far larger number of speculative theories offered. APD Major Crime Unit detectives have investigated all information that has been received. On this anniversary, they are now appealing for more information and asking for anyone who may have had contact with Marie in the last year to call us.

Anyone with information about Marie STUART should call the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or email us at apdtips@abbypd.ca, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.



### Previous News Release from February 4, 2017:

Today the family of Marie STUART met at the Abbotsford Police Department to make a video appeal for more information concerning the 38-year-old's disappearance. Marie has been missing for over a month and the family is understandably concerned. They appreciate all of the attention that has been generated through the media and on social media. They ask that anyone with information contact the APD at 604-859-5225 or text us at 222973 (abbypd).

This is the link to the video appeal: <u>https://youtu.be/HwK6I5Ipkj8</u>

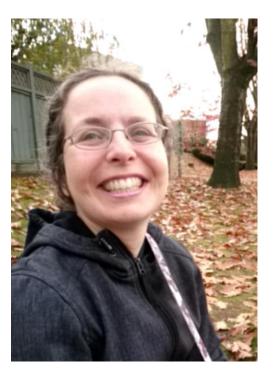
Featured in the video are Janet STUART (mother), Dean STUART (brother), Sarah STUART (sister-in-law), Autumn STUART (niece) and Leslie SCHELLENBERG (husband).

#### Initial News Release of December 28, 2016:

The Abbotsford Police Department is trying to locate missing 38-year-old Marie STUART. She was last seen in the area of the Seven Oaks Mall in the 32900 block of South Fraser Way on Tuesday, December 27, 2016 at 3:00 pm.

STUART stands 5'2" tall with black hair and glasses (see photos). She was last observed wearing a yellow toque and black jacket. Marie STUART requires medication that she did not have with her and her family is very concerned about her.





Anyone with information about Marie STUART should call the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or text APD at 222973 (abbypd).

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