

Investigation Report for Case #: 20100806-001

Location: Eastern State Penitentiary

Date: 8/6/10 **Investigation Timeframe:** 9pm – 1am

Weather Conditions/Cloud Cover: Night clear Wind WNW 10 mph/Partly cloudy

Temperature: High 87° Low 65° - High Humidity

Precipitation/Chance: 0%

Lunar Cycle: Waning Crescent – 14.7% Illumination

Geomagnetic Field: Quiet **Solar X-Ray:** Active

Investigators and others present: Barbara, Kelly, Jason, Jesse, Sherry and Laura + 2 ESP guides

On August 6, 2010 our team conducted an in depth investigation of ESP. Investigators present were Kelly, Jason, Sherry, Jesse, Laura and Barbara.

To maximize our investigatory ability, we placed 2 trap cameras (trail cameras that utilize motion detection) one in cell block (CB) 2 and the other in CB 1. We placed a stationary camcorder in CB 10 and a stationary voice recorder in Al Capone's cell. Each team was armed with voice recorders, EMF detectors (among these were KII and ghost meter), low light camcorders with external IR lights and digital temperature gauges.

The evening kicked off well and after a brief set up we broke into 2 teams. Team 1 started in cell block 8 and team 2 started in cell block 12 then cell block 4.

Cell block 4 had been an area we had visited previously during a day trip. We took a photograph that appeared to depict a woman on one side and what appeared to be a uniformed man on the other. (I'll post this photo in a miscellaneous section later.)

Overall between static equipment and personal access the team did a thorough investigation of cell blocks 1, 2, 4, 8, 10 and 12. Audio in Capone's cell and both Death Row and "The Hole".

The "Hole" was a gruesome reminder of just how cruel a penal system can be. The area is designed to be an access point to the prisons plumbing and electrical system along with storage capabilities. However instead of property storage, prisoners who were considered incorrigible were placed in these cement rooms. They are cramped, dark, windowless, punishment cells below Cell block 14.

At Eastern State they had the additional nickname of "Klondike". These underground punishment cells were built in 1927, when Eastern State Penitentiary was nearly one century old. The cells are low, dark, and windowless, without electricity or plumbing, considered to be a "prison inside the prison." The Department of Corrections forced the end of their use in the 1950s, replacing them with modern punishment cells above ground. These unique underground cells have never been open to the general public in the past. We considered ourselves very fortunate to have access to them.

The investigation went smoothly and we had a few anomalous sounds but personal experiences were minimal. The teams switched locations several times. I found cell block 12 to be fascinating. Having the ability to actually go up on the 3rd floor of a cell block inaccessible to the general public was very appealing. We were allowed to go into the cells and close any doors we felt like including locking ourselves inside. I did not go so far as to close the door on myself but Jesse was a bit more adventurous.

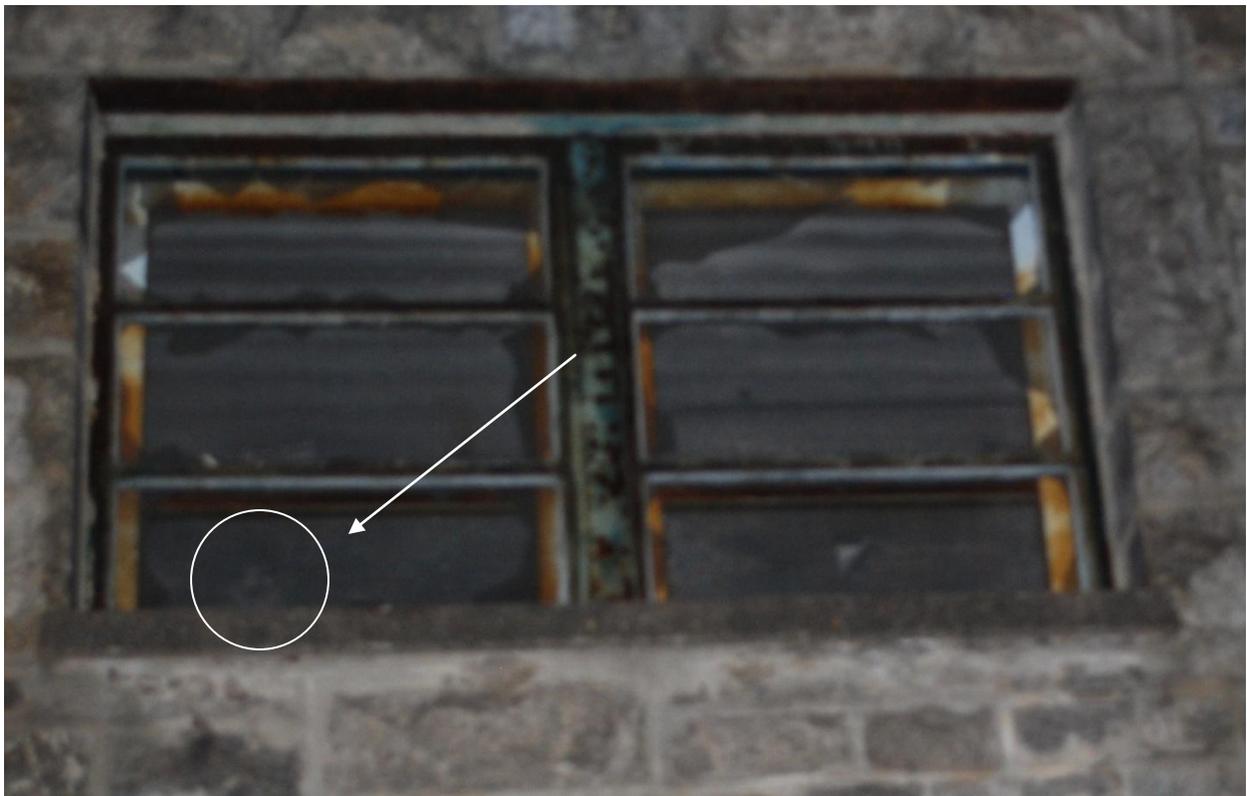
There were no major personal experiences although Jason and Kelly did hear sounds that later could be corroborated by either video or voice.

There were only a few photos out of the hundreds taken that yield further review. I'll post those if the team agrees that they seem worthy.

However to our surprise upon review we did capture several EVP's. I will post all evidence deemed as having potential paranormal properties after a thorough review by the entire team.

Evidence description

Photographic: Only one still photo was found to have paranormal potential. The photo was taken outside "the hole". In the window directly above the entrance in the lower left side there is the impression that a face is visible, however the team could not definitively conclude that the "image" seen was paranormal. It is possible that the image is a result of matrixing.



EVP:

Cellblock 4: 2 found – one being a gasp and the other undefined words.

Cellblock 8: 1 found – “Here we go”

Cellblock 10 (static drop camera): 2 found – footsteps and a banging sequence. These were found while the entire team and guides were out of the prison visiting death row and ‘the hole’. There was absolutely no potential for human, mechanical or electrical contamination.

Cellblock 12: 5 definitive evps found. Two short ‘yes’ responses to questions, ‘Go Away’, ‘Let me out’, ‘Now get ready’ and several others still under evaluation.

Death Row: Due to the close confines and echo properties of death row none of the evps found could be definitively determined not to a result of team contamination and therefore will not be posted.

Al Compone’s cell: While a digital recorder was set up and ran the entire night, the audio portion of it could not be heard right after the investigator announced the time and location of both beginning and the end. No clear determination could be found why the recorder would record the opening and closing and yet nothing not even footsteps or investigator chatter could be heard throughout the middle. Since recorder malfunction could not be ruled out that recorder has since been removed from service as a precaution.

Personal Experiences:

In cellblock 12 Team 1 had a spike on the KII followed by a spike on the MEL meter as if something crossed paths with investigators. The investigators were on different sides of the cellblock separated by the rails and protective mesh. The hit went diagonally from right to left, back to front.

In cellblock 12 Team 2 heard banging and knocks or knock patterns.

Conclusion

The night of the investigation did yield paranormal activity. No conclusive still photographic evidence was found. No video evidence was found. In all we had many evps but only those deemed definitive and conclusively class 3 and above were posted. There were a few personal experiences. All PIRC members had a memorable night and a return trip to Eastern State Penitentiary will be planned.