

## Ellis Maxwell

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**From:** CHARLES COX [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 23, 2009 7:00 PM  
**To:** Ellis Maxwell  
**Subject:** Susan Powell

This is to document the information I heard when Josh Powell contacted his Sister Jennifer Graves on December 7, 2009 at approximately 5pm.

I had just called Jennifer to find out if any progress had been made in locating the family. Jennifer told me that there still had been no contact, but while we were on the phone she got a call on another phone (presumably her cell phone) from Josh. The phone she took the call on, was on speaker phone, so I overheard the conversation.

Jenny asked Josh "Where are you?" Josh replied "at work". Jenny asked where is Susan? Josh answered "Why do you want to know?" Jenny said no one had heard from them all day, people were looking for the family, the police are at your house now, where is Susan? Josh said "at work". Jenny said where are the boys? Josh said "they are safe". Jenny asked again, Josh, where is Susan? The phone connection ended.

Approximately 30 minutes later Josh and the Boys arrived at their house and spoke with police. I understand he told the police he and the boys had been camping.

I put quotes around the words I can clearly remember hearing. Jennifer was upset and I believe I have her words accurate also, but Josh's response to her questions are etched in my brain, especially after hearing the Camping story he told police. It was clear to me that he was surprised that people were already looking for Susan and the family, and that he did not want to explain where he was or what he had actually been doing Sunday night to Monday evening.

I suggest you share this with Jennifer and get her to write her own recollection of that call. I don't think either of us will forget it.