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Autistic kids who slip off at risk

Fascination with water leads many to drowning

By David Crary
Associated Press

EAST GRAND FORKS, Minn. — The 3-year-old girl wandered away from her grandmother's home in Warcham, Mass., in mid-April. A frantic search began almost immediately, and within an hour Alyvia Navarro was found unresponsive in a nearby pond. She was pronounced dead the next day.

A month later, a larger search unfolded over three days as hundreds of emergency service personnel and volunteers fanned out around Clearlake, Calif., looking for 9-year-old Mikaela Lynch after she vanished from her backyard. A dive team found Mikaela's body in a muddy creek.

The two girls were the first of at least 14 children with autism known to have died this year after slipping away from their caregivers. All but one of them drowned, evidence of a fascination that many autistic children have with water. The body of the latest victim, 11-year-old Anthony Kuzma, was found Thursday in the Red River after a 24-hour search near his home in East Grand Forks, Minn.

The tragic phenomenon goes by various names — wandering, elopement, bolting — and about half of autistic children are prone to it, according to research published last year in the journal *Pediatrics*.

That would be a huge number. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated last year that 1 in 88 children are affected by autism, and a federal survey this year pegged the

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A.U.S. Customs and Border Protection helicopter flies over the Red River on Aug. 8 near the East Grand Forks, N.D., home of Anthony Kuzma, 11, who was reported missing the previous day. His body was found in the river. L.R.C. HYLDENAP

MISSING TEEN



The Nissan Versa that authorities believe was abandoned by James DiMaggio as he fled is towed Saturday in central Idaho. JOE JASZEWSKI/AP

TIMELINE

AUG. 4: Authorities near San Diego find the burned bodies of 42-year-old Christina Anderson and a child after extinguishing flames at James Lee DiMaggio's rural home. An Amber Alert is issued for Anderson's two children, Hannah, 16, and Ethan, 8.

AUG. 7: Oregon state police say there was a possible sighting of DiMaggio's blue Nissan Versa in northeast California near the city of Alturas.

AUG. 7: Shortly after the sighting near Alturas, Calif., the Nissan is spotted again 50 miles away along the same highway near Lakeview, in south-central Oregon.

AUG. 9: Idaho authorities locate the car belonging to the suspect at a trailhead near Cascade, Idaho. San Diego County Sheriff Bill Gore also said that a man on horseback reported seeing two people matching the description of the suspect and girl near Morehead Lake about eight miles inside the boundary of the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness. The rider reports the girl appeared healthy and was not being held against her will.

AUG. 9: A coalition of local, state and federal law enforcement teams begin combing a 300-square-mile area of the rugged, remote wilderness area. The search is initially done on foot. Explosives teams, initially concerned DiMaggio may have rigged his car with explosives, conclude there is no risk.

AUG. 9: Authorities in California identify the child's body found in the fire as that of the teen's younger brother, Ethan.

AUG. 10: More law enforcement teams are dispatched to Cascade to help in the search. Police also set up a series of checkpoints at trailheads and question other hikers.

AUG. 10: DiMaggio and the teen are spotted from the air. DiMaggio was killed in a shootout; Hannah Anderson was rescued unharmed. Associated Press

Dad to reunite with girl saved in kidnapping

Sheriff says 16-year-old gone since Aug. 4 appears to be in 'good shape'

By Gary Strauss
USA Today

A San Diego father and the daughter whose disappearance set off a tense, weeklong manhunt were expected to be reunited Sunday, a day after she was rescued and her accused kidnapper was shot and killed in rural Idaho.

Authorities on Sunday continued to swarm the wilderness area where James DiMaggio, 40, was killed by an FBI agent after law enforcement officials spotted DiMaggio's isolated campsite in Idaho's Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness Area.

San Diego Sheriff William Gore said Hannah Anderson, 16, was "successfully rescued and appears to be in good shape."

Hannah's grandmother, Sara Britt, said the family was ecstatic to hear she was safe — and that DiMaggio was no longer a threat.

"No one wants to go through years of jury trial," Britt said. "I wouldn't want to see anyone dead, but it happened. We're excited to have our granddaughter home."

The tragic saga, which kicked off Amber Alerts in at least four states, began Aug. 4 when the San Diego Sheriff's Department said it appeared that DiMaggio kidnapped Hannah after killing her mother, Christina Anderson, and her younger brother, Ethan. Their bodies were found in DiMaggio's burning Cali-



James Lee DiMaggio and Hannah Anderson

fornia home near the Mexican border.

After her rescue Saturday, Hannah was taken to a hospital for evaluation. Her father, Brett Anderson, described a range of emotion in a text message to CNN.

"I am nervous excited saddened 4 my wife and son and worried what my daughter has been through," he wrote to the network. "It's now healing time. Keep us in your prayers."

Authorities said DiMaggio was "infatuated" with Hannah. Her father said his kids had referred to DiMaggio as "Uncle Jim" and that he promised to watch over his family.

FBI victim specialists will work with Hannah and her family to get them the resources they need as they come to terms with the tragedy, FBI Special Agent Mary Rook said. "As grateful as we are that she is recovered safely, we also remember the victims who lost their lives."

On Wednesday, a man on horseback in the wilderness area reported seeing DiMaggio and Hannah in hiking gear and

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Haley picks Greenville for announcement

Governor to make statement on re-election bid at rally

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Gov. Nikki Haley will announce that she'll seek a second term during a rally Aug. 26 at the BI-LO Center in downtown Greenville, her spokesman said.

Scheduled to appear with Haley at the 4 p.m. rally will be three other Republican governors and potential presidential candidates in 2016 — Rick Perry of Texas, Bobby Jindal of Louisiana and Scott Walker of Wisconsin.

The emcee will be U.S. Sen. Tim Scott whom Haley appointed to replace for-

mer U.S. Sen. Jim DeMint after he resigned to lead the Heritage Foundation.

Haley's office had previously confirmed that the three out-of-state governors would join her in Greenville on Aug. 26 for a private fundraiser in the home of local developer Bob Hughes.

The Haley campaign later "decided to expand our events to include a grassroots rally," said Haley adviser Rob Godfrey. "And once we did that, Gov. Haley decided that we might as well make it official — she's running for re-election."

Haley has been raising money for a re-election campaign, but so far has not officially announced plans to seek a sec-



Gov. Nikki Haley

and term.

The governor's race next year is expected to be a rematch with Democratic state Sen. Vincent Sheheen of Camden, who lost to Haley by less than 5 percent in 2010.

Another potential Republican presidential candidate, U.S. Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky, is scheduled to be in Anderson on Aug. 26 for U.S. Rep. Jeff Duncan's annual Faith and Freedom barbecue and fundraiser.

Godfrey said the Haley rally will take place on the plaza at the BI-LO Center next to the Church Street garage.

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