

Narrative of events as per Tom DeRosa's telephone conversation with Michael Hansen in October 2003

On November 16th, Michael Hansen was a lead guide on a CSI Fossil Float. Michael needed to go to the bathroom, so they rowed to the shore. As Michael was walking on the bank, he stepped on numerous bones and began to uncover them. He called out to Mark to come check it out. Mark DeRosa came to his side to assist him.

Because of the amount of bones involved, they decided they would have to come back later with help and materials. Pete DeRosa told Tom that Mark (not Michael) had found a mammoth jaw. The boys, Peter, Mark, Michael, Danny Burns and others went back that late afternoon and took the rest of the remains out. They brought materials with them to assist in the excavation and when they were done, they brought the bones back to the campsite. It's important to note that they did not show the find to Tom.

On November 18th, Pete DeRosa, his wife Linda, his children Leah, Mark, and Peter along with Danny Burns and Michael Hansen went to Macaroni Grill for dinner. Pete DeRosa paid for this bill with a CSI credit card. Michael and Danny reported that the purpose of this dinner was to celebrate Peter's birthday and the mammoth jaw find. The following week, Michael Hansen was invited to Pete DeRosa's home to remove the plaster jacket from the bones. They were in three distinct sections, plus additional bones.

Michael had questioned the find and said that he thought it should go to CSI, as CSI representatives discovered it on a CSI Fossil Float and that it be used glory of God. Conversation pursued thereafter in which Pete DeRosa had stated that the find really belongs to them because the boys went back to get it "on their own time" and "on Pete's own expense" and that they too can use it for the glory of God.

In later discussions, it was mentioned that they were considering selling the jaw for \$10,000 to get Peter a truck so that he could do ministry work. At a later date, Mark DeRosa approached Michael Hansen in regards to the jaw find and said. "Let it go" stating that Michael should give up his claims of finding the jaw. Michael resented this and questioned him about giving up his rights so they (the DeRosas) could sell the jaw for \$10,000. Michael felt that if they were going to sell the jaw the money should go to him, since he is the one who discovered it.

From this time on, the DeRosa's began to sever their friendship with Michael. He was told he couldn't go on the CSI Dinosaur Dig in May after planning to do so with the DeRosa's (as representatives of CSI).