

CYCLIST SAYS LEADER MADE HIM A TARGET

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The "road captain" of the **Forbidden Wheels motorcycle club** testified Monday he was one of three members club president Paul (Rocky) Dye considered murdering to cover up Dye's alleged slaying of two women last August in the club's northwest Detroit headquarters.

"Rocky said after he took out (killed) the first one, he had to take out the second one," Steven (Smooch) Stepher testified before Recorder's Court Judge Henry Heading. "He said he thought about shooting Bruce (Sidell), but then he would have had to take care of the two of us upstairs."

Dye, 28, is charged with murdering Donna Bartels, 22, and Glena Collins, 27, and ordering their bodies dumped in a vacant lot at Lahser and Dolson.

STEPHER SAID he was passed out on the clubhouse's second floor when he was awakened by another club member, who told him Dye had just shot two women.

"I was going down the stairs and I ran into Rocky. He said, 'Man, you guys got to help me,' " Stepher said. "I asked him what he did or why he did it. He said they were messing with him."

The bodies, wrapped in sleeping bags and quilts, were dumped in the vacant lot after Dye rejected burying them behind the clubhouse. Stepher said Dye decided burial would take too long using the club's dull shovel.

Stepher also testified that he helped clean the clubhouse after the killings. "Blood was all over the place -- the floor, the ceiling, the bikes, the furniture and everything," he said.

THE KILLINGS were linked to the clubhouse when Police and Fire Department arson investigators, seeking clues in an unrelated bombing, found blood smeared on the floor and ceiling and a piece of human skull inside a garbage can at the clubhouse.

Stepher said he cleaned up because Dye told him to while still carrying the 9mm automatic pistol allegedly used in the killings.

"I was scared," he said.

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