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El Dorado man arrested in child porn investigation faces 46 counts

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EL DORADO, Kan. (KAKE) - El Dorado police say they've arrested a 25-year-old man on 46 counts in connection to a child pornography investigation.

Aaron Langley-Dunning was arrested Monday following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children alleging the sexual exploitation of children. He faces 43 counts of aggravated internet trading in child pornography and one count each of electronic solicitation, indecent solicitation of a child and sexual exploitation of a child.

"The El Dorado Police Department is dedicated to investigating these crimes to aid in the protection of children in our community," the department said in a release. The release did not provide additional details of the investigation.

Cyber tips can be made at missingkids.org or by calling 1-800-843-5678. You can also contact El Dorado police here, download the P3 app or call 316-321-1080.

<https://www.kake.com/story/47376547/el-dorado-man-arrested-in-child-porn-investigation-faces-46-counts>

Cyber tip leads to child porn charges for Superior man

By Maria Lockwood

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SUPERIOR — A Superior man accused of possessing child pornography waived his preliminary hearing in Douglas County Circuit Court Wednesday, Feb. 16.

Aaron Michael Peterson, 39, faces seven counts of possession of child pornography. A cash bond of \$10,000 was set for Peterson at his initial appearance Feb. 11. He was ordered to have no intentional contact with minors, no use of the internet for social media and no downloading or sharing of images of any kind where minors are involved.

The Superior Police Department received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that suspected child pornography had been uploaded to a Facebook account in the area. The subscriber was identified as Peterson, according to the criminal complaint.

A search warrant was executed at Peterson's home in Superior and electronic items seized. Four videos and three images of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct were located on the Superior man's cell phone, according to the complaint.

When interviewed, Peterson reportedly told Investigator Adam Johnson that he exchanged pornographic photos online, some of which appeared to contain children as young as 10 years old, the criminal complaint said.

Each of the counts is a class D felony, punishable by up to 25 years of imprisonment and a fine of up to \$100,000. Peterson's next court appearance was set for May 23.

<https://www.superiortelegram.com/news/local/cyber-tip-leads-to-child-porn-charges-for-superior-man>

Rolla man charged with possessing child pornography

Phelps County Focus
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A Rolla man faces multiple sex crime offenses in connection to admitting to possessing child pornography, according to documents filed in circuit court.

Aaron Ray Settles, 25, is charged with five felony counts of possession of child pornography. He was incarcerated in the Phelps County Jail with no bond issued.

Investigation of Settles was initiated by the South-Central Missouri Computer Crimes Task Force after it received a tip indicating a user had uploaded and shared four images and four videos of child pornography, according to the case's probable cause statement.

The statement says on April 12 the execution of a search warrant at Settles' residence located a device containing approximately 55 images and 64 videos of child pornography. Settles is quoted in the statement as admitting the device was his property and he controlled the account which uploaded and shared the content that led to the law enforcement referral.

The charges for which Settles was arrested are merely accusations and are not evidence of guilt. Evidence in support of the charges must be presented before the court of competent jurisdiction whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

https://www.phelpscountyfocus.com/news/crime_accidents/article_9fbd4682-bb71-11ec-916b-7f8644a9891c.html

Yakima area man charged with possessing, dealing in child pornography

DONALD W. MEYERS Yakima Herald-Republic
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Prosecutors have charged a 37-year-old man with five counts of possessing child pornography.

Aaron Scott Gimlin, who is listed as a transient, was also charged in Yakima County Superior Court on Wednesday with a single count of dealing in depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Gimlin was arrested June 15, following a months-long investigation that started with a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children task force that someone in the Yakima area had 33 files depicting children, including infants, being sexually exploited in a Dropbox account that was publicly shared, according to court documents.

Yakima police traced the internet addresses that logged into the account to the Yakima Union Gospel Mission and a cellphone, which allowed police to identify Gimlin, according to court documents.

An employee at the mission told detectives that since Gimlin had been a resident at the mission, he would have had access to the wireless network there until the password was reset, court documents said.

Police found Gimlin June 15, when he called 911 for medical assistance. Detectives searched Gimlin's phone and found photos of a nude girl and chats in which Gimlin was asking to have sex with the 13-year-old girl who sent the picture, according to court documents.

Gimlin was taken into custody, but did not make his preliminary appearance until Tuesday due to illness, according to court records. He is being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

He is expected to be arraigned June 30, at which time the court will also review his bail.

https://www.yakimaherald.com/news/local/crime_and_courts/yakima-area-man-charged-with-possessing-dealing-in-child-pornography/article_b9d9527b-feff-51c4-bc28-ab2f39bba611.html

Operation 'I See You': 4 Randolph County men charged with child sex crimes after multi-agency investigation

By: Emily Mikkelsen

May 13, 2022

RANDOLPH COUNTY, N.C. (WGHP) — A recent arrest related to a Randolph County sex crimes investigation brings the total number of men charged up to four.

On April 13 and 14, Randolph County Sheriff's Office participated in a multi-agency operation that they called Operation "I See You," focusing on child pornography-related cyber-tips.

The joint operation included a combination of different officials from Randolph County Sheriff's Office and dozens of other agencies like Homeland Security, other local sheriff's departments and the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, the sheriff's office says.

The operation worked to analyze over 100 cyber tips and teams effectively closed 78 cyber tips. Four child/juvenile victims were identified during this operation.

Four people have been arrested and charged in Randolph County as a result of this investigation. Three were arrested shortly after the conclusion of the operation in mid-April, while a fourth suspect was arrested on Thursday.

Gerardo Jaimes Sandoval, 26, was charged with ten counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor. He was given a \$120,000 bond.

Adam Joseph Albertson, 23, was charged with ten counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor for distributing material. He was given a \$130,000 bond. Jordan Ali Abukhalaf, 26, was charged with ten counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor. He was given a \$25,000 bond.

John Willis Stanfield was arrested on Thursday and charged with six counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor and given a \$100,000 bond.

The investigation is ongoing and more charges could be possible.

<https://myfox8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/operation-i-see-you-4-randolph-county-men-charged-with-child-sex-crimes-after-multi-agency-investigation/>

Nokomis Man Charged with Distribution of Child Pornography

By Shawn Balint

SIUE Police Department Investigations Division announce the arrest of Adam D. Carrell, a 31-year-old male of Nokomis, Illinois for Distribution of Child Pornography.

In August 2021, SIUE PD Investigators initiated an investigation after learning that a subject was distributing child pornography electronically in the Nokomis, IL area. During the course of the investigation, SIUE PD Investigators assigned to the Office of the Illinois Attorney General Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) gathered evidence developing probable cause in support of a search warrant.

On March 16, 2022, after receiving a residential search warrant for a Nokomis residence, SIUE PD Investigations located Carrell and executed a search warrant on his residence. Carrell was subsequently placed under arrest and Nokomis PD transported him to the Montgomery County Jail. SIUE PD appreciates the assistance provided by the Montgomery County States Attorney Andrew Affrunti and the Nokomis Police Department.

On March 17, 2022, the Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office filed a single count information, charging Carrell with Dissemination of Child Pornography (Class X Felony). An arrest warrant was issued for Carrell and bond was set at \$200,000 (10 percent to apply). This case is still under investigation and no additional information is available at this time. Additional charges are anticipated.

Anonymous tips of child pornography can be reported through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) cyber tip line at www.cybertipline.com.

The public is reminded that all persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

<https://wsmiradio.com/local-news/625051>

Nashua police arrest two child pornography suspects in two days

By Dean Shalhoup - Senior Staff Reporter | Sep 30, 2022

NASHUA — Members of the police department's Problem Oriented Policing (POP) Unit served arrest warrants to two Nashua men over the course of two days this week, both of whom are accused of possessing child sexual abuse images, police said.

Adam Earl Egerton, 27, of 16 Coburn Ave., was taken into custody Tuesday, and on Wednesday, the POP Unit arrested Leonardo Antonio McKanobb-Hadley, 18, of 21 Blanchard St., according to police.

The number of charges each man is facing wasn't specified in police press releases, but according to the department's online arrest logs, Egerton is charged with eight counts of possessing and/or buying child sexual abuse images, while McKanobb-Hadley is charged with five counts of possessing and/or buying CSAs and three counts of manufacturing CSAs.

Police said the investigations into both men began in February, when the department received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) "regarding the exploitation of children via the internet."

Detectives with the department's Cyber Crimes Against Children Unit furthered the investigations and identified each of the men as suspects.

Upon forensic examination of electronic devices belonging to Egerton, police said child sexual abuse images were located, resulting in a warrant being issued for his arrest. In McKanobb-Hadley's case, detectives issued an arrest warrant after a search of his residence turned up electronic devices. Upon a forensic examination, the devices were allegedly located, prompting a warrant to be issued for his arrest.

The Nashua Police Department is an affiliate of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, which work to combat child exploitation in New Hampshire.

Police urge anyone with additional information on the cases or who wishes to anonymously report cases of child exploitation to call the department's Crime Line at 589-1665.

<https://www.nashuatelegraph.com/news/local-news/2022/09/30/nashua-police-arrest-two-child-pornography-suspects-in-two-days/>

Mayport sailor accused of possessing & distributing child sexual abuse videos

Erik Avancier, Reporter

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MAYPORT, Fla. – A federal grand jury has indicted a Naval Station Mayport sailor, who is accused of possessing and distributing child sexual abuse videos.

Investigators say Adam Lee-Fucci Ferenbach, 34, of Atlantic Beach, faces up to 20 years in prison and a potential lifetime term of supervised released, if convicted. He was arrested at his residence on Friday and is said to be an active-duty member of the U.S. Navy.

According to the indictment, Ferenbach faces two counts of distributing child pornography and one count of possessing it.

The Department of Justice said agents from the Naval Criminal Investigative Service and the FBI executed a federal search warrant at Ferenbach's home. The DOJ said agents seized a cellphone that contained several videos of young children being abused.

According to a federal complaint affidavit, Ferenbach told federal agents he used the KIK Messenger App to share adult pornography with other KIK users, but declined to answer more questions without a lawyer present.

An affidavit from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office noted that 31 guns were removed from Ferenbach's apartment during the raid.

One neighbor, who was shocked to learning of Ferenbach's arrest, said he mostly kept to himself. "He was very quiet. Didn't make eye contact. Didn't really say much," the neighbor said. "I would try to smile at him every now and then as I was walking by. Only saw him a hand full of times, just picking up packages. Very quiet."

According to the Navy, Ferenbach is a first class damage controlman who works on Naval vessels. The DOJ said the case is being investigated as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative that was launched in May 2006. It's led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section.

<https://www.news4jax.com/news/local/2022/05/12/mayport-sailor-accused-of-possession-child-sexual-abuse-videos/>

Columbia City man arrested for child pornography

By: Shwetha Sundarrajan

Apr 20, 2022

WHITLEY COUNTY, Ind. (WANE)– A Columbia city man was arrested on Wednesday on felony charges for possession and distribution of child pornography.

According to Indiana State Police, a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) led to a search warrant being served to a residence in the 400 block of South Oak Street, Columbia City.

Walkerton man arrested for child pornography

Indiana State Police and the Department of Homeland Security arrested Adam Kessie, 45, of Columbia City on 4 counts of distributing child pornography and 4 counts of possessing child pornography. The alleged offenses took place in Kosciusko County.

After being arrested, Kessie was transported to Kosciusko County Jail where he will stay until his initial hearing in Kosciusko County Courts.

<https://www.wane.com/news/columbia-city-man-arrested-for-child-pornography/>

Two Columbus men arrested on multiple counts of child pornography

By Deanna McClary

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COLUMBUS, Ga. (WTVM) - Two men were arrested in Muscogee County for the sexual exploitation of children.

On Tuesday, January 25, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit executed two residential search warrants involving the sexual exploitation of children.

The investigations began after the GBI CEACC Unit received numerous cyber tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Those cyber tips involved the possession or distribution of explicit child sexual abuse material, commonly referred to as child pornography - which led them to Muscogee County.

As a result of the search warrant executions, the following individuals were arrested:

42-year-old Jeffrey Shane Garmon was charged with four counts of possession of child pornography

38-year-old Adam Page was charged with four counts of possession of child pornography

Garmon and Page were transported to the Muscogee County Jail. This investigation is still ongoing to identify those involved in the child pornography trade.

Anyone with information about these cases, or other cases of child exploitation, is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870.

<https://www.wtvm.com/2022/01/31/two-columbus-men-arrested-multiple-counts-child-pornography/>

Rocheport man charged with possessing child pornography

By Jennifer Weiser

Friday, September 9th, 2022

A Rocheport man has been charged, accused of possessing child pornography.

In July of 2022, the Boone County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Task Force got a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about a suspected image in an online account.

Investigators learned the account was linked to Rocheport resident Adam H. Ray.

On Thursday, they served a search warrant at his home on Lathrop School Road.

On Friday, the Boone County Prosecuting Attorney's Office charged Ray with a Class B Felony of Possession of Child Pornography – 2nd/Subsequent Offense or Possess More Than 20 Pictures/One Film/Videotape.

Ray was taken to the Boone County Jail on a \$100,000 cash-only bond.

<https://krcgtv.com/news/local/rocheport-man-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography>

TEANECK, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

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Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of ADAM S. RUTMAN (DOB: 11/22/1999; single; unemployed) of 261 Schley Place, Teaneck, NJ on the charge of possession of child pornography. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Tuesday, March 29, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit identified Adam S. Rutman during an ongoing Internet child pornography investigation.

The investigation revealed that RUTMAN used the Internet to view, download and possess files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, RUTMAN was arrested on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 in Paramus, NJ and charged with third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii). RUTMAN is scheduled for a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack, NJ on Wednesday, April 13, 2022.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charge is merely an accusation and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Teaneck Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Glen Rock Police Department, Englewood Police Department, Saddle Brook Police Department and Hackensack Police Department which all participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.bcpo.net/teaneck-nj-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Dothan man faces more child porn charges

By Ken Curtis

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DOTHAN, Ala. (WTVY) -A Dothan man already facing numerous pornography charges has been accused of other similar crimes.

Adham Khled Bakr, 20, is charged with 25 counts of child pornography possession, after the addition of five counts on Tuesday. He was first arrested on February 14.

"Those charges were the result of a tip sent from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to the Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force," Dothan Police Lt. Ronald Hall said in a statement.

Bond on the latest charges Bakr faces is set at \$150,000.

<https://www.wtv.com/2022/03/30/dothan-man-faces-more-porn-charges/>

Tulsa Man Charged For Child Pornography

By Ryan Dickinson
January 21, 2022

TULSA, OK – On 1/20/2022 around 7:15 a.m. the Tulsa Police Cyber Crimes Unit, the Mingo Valley Street Crimes Unit, and Homeland Security Investigations served a search warrant at a home near 41st and Garnett as part of a child pornography investigation.

The warrant was a culmination of an investigation that started in May of 2021. The Cyber Crimes Unit began investigating Agustin Arrazola after receiving information that he was receiving and sharing child pornography over email and social media app messaging.

At the scene, Arrazola admitted to trading child pornography on multiple occasions on the internet. At this time, we do not believe that Arrazola was producing any of the content.

Child pornography was found on Arrazola's phone.

<https://www.shorenewsnetwork.com/2022/01/21/tulsa-man-charged-for-child-pornography/>

Summerville Man Arrested For Child Pornography

By Snn Staff Report
January 12, 2022

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) – South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Aiden Michael Smith, 19, of Ladson, S.C., on 20 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Summerville Police Department made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General’s Office, also a member of the state’s ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Smith. Investigators state Smith distributed and possessed files of child pornography.

Smith was arrested on January 10, 2022. He is charged with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count; and 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General’s Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. “Pornography” can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

<https://www.shorenewsnetwork.com/2022/01/12/summerville-man-arrested-for-child-pornography/>

Shreveport man arrested for child porn

By Bia Roldan
February 16, 2022

Caddo Parish Sheriff's detectives arrested a Shreveport man after they discovered multiple files of child pornography in his possession, said Sheriff Steve Prator.

On Wednesday, Det. Jared Marshall arrested Alan Horn, 67, and charged him with six counts of pornography involving juveniles.

The case originated from a cyber tip sent by Microsoft to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in late 2021. With help from the Louisiana Bureau of Investigations (LBI), pornographic images involving children, that were uploaded to the Bing search engine, were traced to Horn's computer located in his home in the 7700 block of Mary Ann Circle in Shreveport.

LBI referred the case to CPSO Det. Marshall who is a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force. On Feb. 16, detectives searched Horn's home and confiscated his hard drives, discs and electronic devices.

Horn was booked into Caddo Correctional Center. Meanwhile, the investigation continues.

<https://www.caddosheriff.org/news.php?c=2678&>

Valentine math teacher of 19 years arrested on child pornography charges

By Allegra Hobbs
March 30, 2022

VALENTINE — A high school math teacher who had been with Valentine ISD for 19 years, and who previously taught in Marfa, is facing federal charges for possessing, sending and receiving child pornography.

Albert Ackley, 59, openly admitted to accessing and sharing child pornography when he was approached by a special agent with the Texas Department of Public Safety executing a search warrant at his Valentine home on March 15, according to a criminal complaint filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas. He was detained and brought to the Jeff Davis County Sheriff's Office, where he waived his Miranda rights to continue confessing to Texas DPS.

Ackley was taken to Hudspeth County Jail, according to DPS. Court records show that he was formally arrested and charged on March 21, and is currently being detained without bond. His preliminary hearing is set for March 31 in Pecos. The search of Ackley's home was carried out with the assistance of Homeland Security Investigations, the Jeff Davis County Sheriff's Office, and the Texas Highway Patrol.

Authorities also searched the Valentine school on March 15, said Valentine ISD Superintendent and Principal Debbie Engle. She spoke to an investigator again the following week, she said, and was told no victims associated with the school had been identified and that nothing had been found on any school devices. The school obtained Ackley's resignation on March 17.

Engle said any potential harm done to students has been looked into, and no such harm has been uncovered — the school brought in a counselor to speak with students and staff last week, and those interviews did not raise concerns.

"I have ex-students that have called, and they don't believe it," said Engle. "There has been nobody that has come forward with so much as a whisper."

The ordeal has been a profound shock for the school, said Engle. "I truly believed they

would not find anything when they filed the search warrant," she said. "We were all blown away. The staff has had a really hard time. Nobody saw it. Nobody suspected it."

Now, the school is looking to the future and trying to move on after the disturbing revelation.

"We're dealing with it, we're doing the best we can, and we're trying our best to move forward," said Engle. "And we're sticking together, so I think we'll be okay."

Ackley had taught at Marfa ISD before coming to Valentine nearly two decades ago — a February 11, 1999, issue of The Big Bend Sentinel identified him as a high school science, math and computer teacher who was set to become the district's technology coordinator.

According to the criminal complaint, which is based on the sworn affidavit of Texas DPS Special Agent Adam Patterson, the agency received a cybercrime tip in late February from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that the smartphone application KIK Messenger had flagged possible child pornography being uploaded via their server — the videos uploaded included depictions of female children between the ages of 9 and 12. The messaging service handed over the files and the uploader's IP address to Patterson, who linked that IP address to Ackley.

Patterson later learned that Homeland Security Investigations had already opened an investigation into Ackley in 2019 for uploading child pornography via the messaging service, the complaint says.

When Patterson arrived at Ackley's property in Valentine, he told him someone at the property was using the internet to look at child pornography, and asked if he knew who was doing so — Ackley admitted that it was him, and that he had used KIK to exchange child pornography.

Texas DPS searched the property and found a memory card for smartphones that contained three videos depicting child pornography. One video depicted a female child approximately three or four years old, and the other two depicted female children approximately 11 to 12 years old. More electronic devices and memory cards were taken from the home and are being investigated.

While being questioned by DPS, Ackley said he had used KIK to send and receive child pornography more than 50 times, and that he had used it to have inappropriate exchanges with three underage girls, per the complaint. He also said he had sexual contact with two female children when he was around 20 years old — one was 8 years old and the other was 12 years old, he told DPS. He shared the names of the minors with DPS.

A spokesperson for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas, which is prosecuting the case, declined to comment, citing pending litigation. Jack Meredith, the federal public defender assigned to represent Ackley, did not immediately return a request for comment.

In a statement, Texas DPS said that "additional investigations" are necessary to identify other potential victims. The department is asking anyone with information on possible victims to contact the DPS Victim Services office at 512-424-2211.

<https://bigbendsentinel.com/2022/03/30/valentine-math-teacher-of-19-years-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Brickbat: Should Have Nipped It in the Bud

CHARLES OLIVER

3.31.2022

Jacksonville, Florida, sheriff's office Deputy Alejandro Carmona-Fonseca was charged with online solicitation of a child, transmission of harmful material to a child, and unlawful use of a two-way communication device after a high school boy said the deputy sent obscene images to him via Snapchat. But a local media investigation has found that before this incident, during his 15 years in the department, Carmona-Fonseca was the subject of 28 complaints from citizens and other officers, ranging from improper action to unbecoming conduct to traffic offenses. More than half of those complaints were upheld, and Carmona-Fonseca received five referral letters or written reprimands and 15 counseling sessions, among other disciplinary actions.

<https://reason.com/2022/03/31/brickbat-should-have-nipped-it-in-the-bud/>

Christ Church speaks out after former deacon charged with possession of child porn

By Jordan Smith
May 5th 2022

MOSCOW, ID — A former church deacon in Moscow is facing a federal charge of possession of child pornography. Alex Lloyd indicted after police discovered his iPhone contained graphic images of the illegal material. The content of this report may be disturbing to some. After a lengthy investigation led by Moscow Police, Christ Church is speaking out about this indictment.

On April 19, former Christ Church Deacon Alex Lloyd was indicted in federal court for Possession of Child Pornography on his iPhone. Lloyd was discovered to have been in possession of images of a prepubescent minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct, Title 18 of the U.S. Code defining that as a child under the age of 12.

The investigation, led by Forensic Detective Lawrence Mowery with Moscow Police, alleges that Lloyd was in possession of the material from March 2021 through January 2022.

Lloyd plead not guilty in U.S. District Court.

During the COVID pandemic, the number of child porn investigations was amplified. In a KLEW News special report, Anna Velasquez dove into the climbing number of child porn investigations across the state. Moscow Police Dept. Detective Eric Kjorness said his team is working with numerous agencies across Idaho to combat these crimes. "There's about 16-18 of us doing these active investigations full-time and then we have affiliates throughout other departments throughout the state."

KLEW News reached out to Christ Church for comment, who released their first statement on the matter in response. They allege this incident began back in January when Lloyd was brought into questioning in regard to these charges. He was picked up at the police department by Pastor Doug Wilson, where Christ Church became aware of what they called 'a porn habit.'

Lloyd resigned from his role as deacon and was officially removed from office by January 18.

Christ Church later stating quote, "With regard to the criminal charges that were filed, to which Alex has pled not guilty, we are content to let the court do its work. With regard to the other surrounding sins by which Alex disqualified himself, humiliated his family, and embarrassed his church, he has sought our forgiveness and we have extended it."

The Church would later say they 'regard this tragic episode as one more casualty in the unconscionable pornification of our culture.'

In Federal Law, possession of child pornography involving children under the age of 12 is punishable by up to 20 years in prison, lifetime supervised release, and requires the convicted person to register as a sex offender.

Lloyd's jury trial is set to begin June 21.

<https://klewtv.com/news/local/christ-church-speaks-out-after-former-deacon-lloyd-charged-with-possession-of-child-porn>

Boulder man arrested in child pornography case

By Mitchell Byars Boulder Daily Camera

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A Boulder man was arrested as part of a child pornography investigation by the sheriff's office.

Alexander Howe, 28, was arrested on suspicion of three counts of sexual exploitation of a child – possession with intent to distribute and two counts of sexual exploitation of a child – possession.

According to an affidavit, the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force passed on a tip to the Boulder County Sheriff's Office that an app called Kik flagged a local IP address for possible child pornography on March 30.

According to the affidavit, the user uploaded a total of nine videos and images and sent them to other users on three separate dates in February and March. A detective viewed the files and confirmed they contained child pornography.

The IP address was found to belong to Howe and a roommate at an address on West Moorhead Circle in Boulder.

Police served a search warrant at the address on July 7, when Howe's roommate was home but Howe was not. Detectives found a device in Howe's room that contained child pornography.

The Boulder County District Attorney's Office, Boulder Police Department and Longmont Department of Public Safety assisted with the investigation, according to a release.

Howe is being held at the Boulder County Jail on \$10,000 bond and is set for a formal filing of charges on Tuesday. He has no prior criminal history in Colorado, according to court records.

<https://www.dailycamera.com/2022/07/15/boulder-man-arrested-in-child-pornography-case/>

WABASH COUNTY MAN CHARGED WITH DISSEMINATION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

OCTOBER 31, 2022

Attorney General Kwame Raoul today announced a Mt. Carmel, Illinois man was charged with the alleged dissemination of child pornography. The case is part of Raoul's ongoing work, in collaboration with federal law enforcement agencies and local law enforcement officials throughout Illinois, to apprehend offenders who download and trade child pornography online.

Alexander Knotts, 22, was charged in the Wabash County Circuit Court with five counts of dissemination of child pornography, Class X felonies, each punishable by up to 30 years in prison and up to \$100,000 in fines. Knotts' bond was set at \$750,000, and he is scheduled to appear in court Oct. 31.

"I applaud the collaborative work of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the Mt. Carmel Police Department in this case. My office is committed to tracking down the individuals responsible for exploiting children, often leaving them with emotional scars," Raoul said. "This perpetrator can now be held accountable for the horrific crimes he committed against innocent children."

Raoul's investigators, with the assistance of the Mt. Carmel Police Department, conducted a search of Knotts' residence Wednesday, Oct. 26, in the 200 block of East 12th St. in Mt. Carmel and arrested him after discovering evidence of child pornography.

"The Mt. Carmel Police Department will continue to work aggressively towards investigating crimes that exploit children, which includes forming partnerships with agencies such as the Illinois Attorney General's Office, so all available resources are utilized to protect innocent children," said Mt. Carmel Police Department Chief of Police Michael McWilliams.

Attorney General Raoul's office will prosecute the case with assistance from Wabash County State's Attorney Kelly Storckman's office.

"I am thankful for the work of the Attorney General's office and their commitment to the safety of our community's children," Storckman said. "I look forward to working with them in the prosecution of this case."

The public is reminded the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

The arrest is part of Attorney General Raoul's work to investigate and prosecute child pornographers in Illinois. Raoul's office, with a grant from the U.S. Department of

Justice, runs the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. The task force receives CyberTips, or online reports of child pornography, from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Over the last several years, CyberTipline reports have steadily increased. In 2021, reports to the ICAC increased by 42% over 2020.

Illinois' ICAC Task Force is one of 61 ICAC Task Forces throughout the country and is comprised of a network of more than 285 local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Since 2019, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has received more than 24,100 CyberTips and has been involved in more than 408 arrests of sexual predators. Since 2006, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has been involved in more than 1,840 arrests of sexual predators. The task force also has provided internet safety training and education to more than 962,779 parents, teachers and students, in addition to more than 23,250 law enforcement professionals.

<https://wsjd.fm/new-blog-1/2022/10/31/wabash-county-man-charged-with-dissemination-of-child-pornography>

Bond set at \$25K for Stevens Point man charged in child pornography case

By Desiree Fischer

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STEVENS POINT, Wis. (WSAW) - A 21-year-old Stevens Point man was formally charged Monday with five counts of possession of child pornography and child sexual exploitation.

Alexander Kucharski is accused of posting a sexually explicit photo of a minor to kik on two occasions. He remains in custody on a \$25,000. Stevens Point police detectives received a tip through the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Kucharski was arrested at home in Stevens Point as result.

Kucharski could also face charges in federal court.

Kucharski's attorney said he did not have time to read the criminal complaint before Monday initial appearance. A judge has given him until May 23 to do so.

<https://www.wsaw.com/2022/05/16/bond-set-25k-stevens-point-man-charged-child-pornography-case/>

Man charged in child porn investigation

By Kenneth Lipp

Mar 21, 2022

NEWPORT — A Newport man pleaded not guilty Monday to 12 felony charges related to downloading and sharing child pornography.

According to a brief statement of probable cause filed Dec. 23, a Newport Police Department detective received a referral from the Oregon Internet Crimes Against Children task force that identified a physical Newport address, internet protocol address and phone number associated with activity on the online messaging application Discord.

The Newport detective obtained a warrant for records from Discord, according to the affidavit, which produced evidence that 21-year-old Alexander Yoder-Partridge downloaded and sent images of girls “between the ages of five and seven who were naked and committing sexual acts.”

Yoder-Partridge admitted to owning a mobile phone with the number associated with the investigation and requested a lawyer when questioned regarding pornographic images of children downloaded using Discord, according to the affidavit. He was arrested Dec. 22 and released the following day after 10 percent of \$50,000 security was paid.

The true bill returned by the grand jury Jan. 4 charges him with six Class B and six Class C felonies, three each of first- and second-degree encouraging child exploitation. He is alleged to have shared and downloaded images of six victims “while being aware of and consciously disregarding the fact that creation of the visual recording of sexually explicit conduct involved child abuse.”

Yoder-Partridge retained attorney Rachel N. Marshall and pleaded not guilty at his Jan. 10 arraignment before Lincoln County Circuit Judge Amanda Benjamin. Benjamin ordered him to report to jail for booking, raised his security to \$150,000 and made it a condition of release that he not have any contact with minors or named victims. He next appears in court Jan. 24 for an early resolution conference.

The state’s Internet Crimes Against Children task force is part of a national network with thousands of participating law enforcement agencies at the federal, state and local

level, with funding from the U.S. Department of Justice. It provides training, seeks and generates tips and conducts multi-jurisdictional investigations involving online exploitation of children.

Editor's note: This article originally named the defendant as Alexander Partridge-Yoder. The correct name is Yoder-Partridge.

https://www.newportnewstimes.com/news/man-charged-in-child-porn-investigation/article_8f1776cc-7346-11ec-871f-a74c2b0fa7d5.html

Man sent child porn to 10 different people, police say

By Brett Clarkson Las Vegas Review-Journal
August 17, 2022

An east Las Vegas Valley man faces 15 counts of distributing and three counts of possessing child porn after police say they found graphic images on two of his iPhones, records show.

All Saldivar was arrested after he allegedly sent 15 files of child pornography to 10 different people between April 19 and April 27, 2021, according to a Metropolitan Police Department arrest report.

The investigation began after a detective with the department's internet crimes against children task force received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a user of the Kik messaging app had been sending images depicting child sex abuse to other users.

In an interview with investigators, Saldivar admitted to viewing and sending child pornography to other people, the Metro arrest report stated.

He turned himself in on Aug. 9, records show. His bail was set at \$100,000 and he remained in custody at the Clark County Detention Center.

Saldivar's next court date is set for Aug. 29.

<https://www.reviewjournal.com/crime/man-sent-child-porn-to-10-different-people-police-say-2624980/>

Princeton man is facing child pornography charges

By Megan Brandl

Jan. 6, 2022

BLUEFIELD, W.Va. (WVVA) - A Princeton man is facing multiple charges involving child pornography.

Allen Ray Howerton Jr., 35, was arrested yesterday by the Mercer County Sheriffs Department. Howerton is currently facing multiple charges of having possession of over 600 images of minors and distribution of sexually explicit material involving minors.

Howerton was taken to the Southern Regional Jail.

<https://www.wvva.com/2022/01/07/princeton-man-is-facing-child-pornography-charges/>

IN man arrested for manufacturing child pornography

By: Brandyn Benter
Feb 23, 2022

LAWRENCE COUNTY, Ind. (WTWO/WAWV) — A Mitchell man has been arrested facing numerous charges related to the manufacture and possession of child pornography.

30-year-old Allen D. Kemple was arrested by Indiana State Police and the Internet Crimes Against Children task force Wednesday.

According to police, the investigation began in Dec. 2021 when three cyber tips were received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Troopers searching Kemple's home following the arrest uncovered additional images of child pornography, including material that had been altered by Kemple, police said.

Kemple is facing the following charges;

One count of child exploitation, Level 4 Felony

Five Counts of Possession of Child Pornography under 12 years of age, Level 5 Felony

Four Counts of Possession of Child Pornography, Level 6 Felony

One Count of Possession of Methamphetamine, Level 6 Felony

One Count of Possession of Marijuana, Class B Misdemeanor

One Count of Possession of Paraphernalia, Class C Misdemeanor

Anyone having any information related to crimes against children is encouraged to contact their local law enforcement agency or visit the NCMEC website where they can make a CyberTipline report.

<https://www.mywabashvalley.com/news/local-news/in-man-arrested-for-manufacturing-child-pornography/>

Circleville man charged with child pornography

by: Cyn Rosi, Digital Multi Media Journalist
Posted: Sep 16, 2022

CIRCLEVILLE, Ohio (WCMH) — A man law enforcement said viewed and distributed child pornography with bestiality content is in the Pickaway County Jail.

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, and the Pickaway County Sheriff's Office, executed a search warrant for the home of Allen K. Stewart, 62, on Chickasaw Drive, Circleville, on Thursday after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tip alleged Stewart viewed, shared, and saved child pornography with bestiality content.

After arresting Stewart leave for work, detectives took him back home and executed the warrant, PCSO said in a media release.

Detectives interviewed Stewart before taking him to Pickaway County Jail. They charged Stewart with five counts of pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor, among other charges.

Stewart was arraigned in the Circleville Municipal Court on September 16, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

Due to this being an ongoing investigation, there is a possibility of more charges to come at a later time, the sheriff's office said in the release.

<https://www.nbc4i.com/news/local-news/circleville/circleville-man-charged-with-child-pornography/>

Auburn professor charged with possession of child pornography

By My Ly | Content Editor

6/8/2022 11:19AM

An Auburn University professor was arrested on five counts of possession of child pornography.

On June 2, Amarjit Mishra, 42, was arrested and charged, according to a news release from the Auburn Police Department. Mishra is an assistant professor in the college of veterinary medicine.

Auburn University released a statement surrounding the arrest.

"We are aware of the allegations against and arrest of Amarjit Mishra. He has been placed on administrative leave and is not on campus. Mishra will remain on leave while the University evaluates this matter."

The arrest of Mishra arose from an investigation in late March from Auburn Police and members of the Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children task force, where he was developed as a suspect.

After being arrested and charged with five counts of possession of child pornography last week, Mishra's bond was set at \$50,000.

Additional charges for Mishra are pending.

<https://www.theplainsman.com/article/2022/06/auburn-professor-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography>

Detectives arrest Miami-Dade man over child porn on Facebook

Andrea Torres, Digital Journalist
August 10, 2022

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, Fla. – Detectives arrested a man on Tuesday over child porn in Miami-Dade County, about eight months after The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a cyber tip from Facebook/Meta Platforms, Inc.

Detectives said Andre Jean-Pierre used his “Andre.JeanPierre.39” Facebook account to upload more than 20 images displaying child sex abuse.

The uploads were done on Dec. 11, 2021, from an Internet Protocol address associated with Jean-Pierre, 31, in Miami-Dade County, according to the arrest report.

The images showed naked men and women with children, and some of the girls were younger than 5 years old, and the boys were younger than 6, according to the arrest report.

In February, Facebook provided Miami-Dade police detectives with records associating two of Jean-Pierre’s credit cards with the “Andre.JeanPierre.39” Facebook account, police said.

Police officers detained Jean-Pierre at his grandmother’s home on Tuesday, just south of Kendall Drive and west of Southwest 147th Avenue, in The Hammocks neighborhood, police said.

Court records show Jean-Pierre is facing 15 counts of promoting a sexual performance by a child/possession. Corrections records show his bond was set at \$75,000 and he was being held at the Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center.

For more information about reporting child porn to The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, visit this page or call 1-800-843-5678.

<https://www.local10.com/news/local/2022/08/10/detectives-arrest-miami-dade-man-over-child-porn-on-facebook/#:~:text=Detectives%20arrested%20Andrew%20Jean%2DPierre,%2DDade%20County%2C%20police%20said.&text=MIAMI%2DDADE%20COUNTY%2C%20Fla>

Three people charged with sexual exploitation of a minor after unrelated investigations in Gastonia

By WBTV Web Staff
May. 26, 2022

The earliest investigation started in October of 2021.

GASTONIA, N.C. (WBTV) - Gastonia police have made three separate arrests in unrelated child pornography investigations this month.

Detectives were made aware in October 2021 of a suspect who was in possession of child pornography. During the investigation, they identified Andre Ramos, age 19, of Gastonia as the suspect and found multiple images of child pornography on his electronic devices. Ramos was charged and arrested in early May.

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GPD officers responded to a home on May 17 after a family member discovered images of child pornography on a computer. During the investigation, detectives determined that the computer belonged to 24-year-old Jacob Griffin, who recently moved to Gastonia from Florida. Investigators located several images depicting child pornography on Griffin's computer. He was charged and arrested on May 23.

All three men were charged with multiple sexual exploitation of a minor charges.

<https://www.wbvt.com/2022/05/26/three-people-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-minor-after-unrelated-investigations-gastonia/>

Boulder County Sheriff's Office arrests man suspected of having child pornography

By Mitchell Byars | Boulder Daily Camera
April 14, 2022

A 33-year-old man has been arrested by the Boulder County Sheriff's Office and accused of downloading child pornography.

Andreas Halusa was arrested Wednesday in Boulder on suspicion of sexual exploitation of a child.

According to a release, the Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children as recent as November 2021 about child pornography being accessed at a Boulder County address.

That address was determined to have been a past short-term residence of Halusa in unincorporated Boulder County. Detectives served a search warrant at his current residence in the 600 block of Pearl Street on Tuesday before issuing an arrest warrant for Halusa.

Online court records show Halusa has no prior criminal history in Colorado.

Following his first appearance in court Thursday afternoon, Halusa will be released on a \$20,000 personal recognizance bond as he awaits a formal filing of charges on Tuesday.

The Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Boulder County District Attorney's Office, Boulder Police Department, Longmont Department of Public Safety and University of Colorado Boulder Police Department all assisted with the case.

<https://www.dailycamera.com/2022/04/14/boulder-county-sheriffs-office-arrests-man-suspected-of-having-child-pornography/>

OSP: Terrebonne man arrested for sexually abusing child, more victims possible

By FOX 12 Staff

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TERREBONNE, Ore. (KPTV) - A 30-year-old man was arrested Wednesday following a sexual abuse investigation, according to Oregon State Police.

Andres Carrera-Garcia, of Terrebonne, was arrested after investigators served a warrant at a home in Crooker River Ranch in Jefferson County. OSP said Carrera-Garcia had in his possession hundreds of images of child pornography that was downloaded from the internet.

According to OSP, Carrera-Garcia admitted to sexually molesting a child, who was two years old at the time, at his home in Redmond in late 2020 and early 2021. Digital evidence was found supporting his admissions, OSP said.

Carrera-Garcia was booked into the Deschutes County Jail and is facing charges of first-degree sodomy, second-degree sodomy, third-degree sodomy, first-degree sexual abuse, third-degree sexual abuse, contributing to the sexual delinquency of a minor, sexual misconduct, first-degree encouraging child sexual abuse, second-degree encouraging child sexual abuse, and third-degree encouraging child sexual abuse.

OSP said additional charges are pending in Jefferson County for possession of child sexual abuse material.

Detectives believe there may be additional victims that have not yet been identified. If your child had unsupervised contact with Carrera-Garcia please contact OSP Dispatch at 800-422-0776 or *OSP (*677) from your mobile phone. Reference case number SP22-026887.

<https://www.kptv.com/2022/06/30/osp-terrebonne-man-arrested-sexually-abusing-child-more-victims-possible/>

Otisville man facing 8 charges for allegedly looking at child pornography online

By: Ryan Jeltema

Jan 25, 2022

OTISVILLE, Mich. (WJRT) - An Otisville man is facing eight charges after authorities say he looked at child pornographic images on the internet.

Police arrested 19-year-old Andrew Nelson Basner and he was arraigned Jan. 18 in Genesee County District Court on the following charges:

four counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material.

four counts of using a computer to commit a crime.

The Michigan State Police Computer Crimes Division began investigating Basner after learning that he allegedly was viewing child sexually abusive images on the internet.

Police served a search warrant for his residence and allegedly found evidence of child pornography on his digital devices.

https://www.abc12.com/news/crime/otisville-man-facing-8-charges-for-allegedly-looking-at-child-pornography-online/article_bd57e7ca-7de0-11ec-8698-ffd29f48ab40.html

North Haledon man arrested for allegedly distributing child pornography

By Jonathan Greene
February 17, 2022

A man who works for a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) company in Paterson has been arrested for allegedly distributing child pornography over the internet, according to Passaic County Sheriff Richard Berdnik.

Andrew J. Duval, 27, of North Haledon, was arrested on Thursday. He was charged with maintaining child pornography, distribution of child pornography, possession of child pornography, unlawful possession of a weapon, and possession of a defaced firearm.

Duval was allegedly distributing images of child sexual abuse on the internet. During the search of his residence, police seized electronic devices and a defaced firearm.

Duval is being held at the Passaic County Jail pending a court hearing.

<https://patersonimes.com/2022/02/17/north-haledon-man-arrested-for-allegedly-distributing-child-pornography/>

Bethlehem man arrested on child pornography charges

By: Sara Rizzo

Jul 27, 2022

BETHLEHEM, N.Y. (NEWS10) — A Bethlehem man has been arrested for allegedly having and promoting child pornography. The New York State Police said Andrew Pegler, 35, was arrested on July 21.

Pegler is accused of possessing and promoting images of child sexual exploitation on the internet. His arrest stemmed from a cyber tip received by the New York State Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. An investigation was then started and a search warrant was executed at his home.

Charges

- Possessing a sexual performance by a child (felony)
- Promoting a sexual performance by a child (felony)
- Obstructing governmental administration (misdemeanor)
- Resisting arrest (misdemeanor)

Pegler was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and remanded to Albany County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$25,000 cash or \$50,000 bond. If you have any information related to this investigation, you can email crimetips@troopers.ny.gov.

<https://www.news10.com/news/crime/bethlehem-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Utah sex offender arrested on new allegations of making child pornography

By Pat Reavy, KSL.com

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WEST JORDAN — A registered sex offender who was recently being considered for early release from probation has been arrested again and accused of new child pornography crimes.

Andrew Craig Petersen, 32, of West Jordan, was booked into the Salt Lake County Jail on Thursday and charged on Friday in 3rd District Court with 10 counts of aggravated sexual exploitation of a child, a first-degree felony; and 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony.

Investigators from the Utah Internet Crimes Against Children task force were notified that Petersen was uploading suspected child pornography — including videos and images that he created — from a cellphone to a Google account, according to a police booking affidavit. Google reported the suspected pornography to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Investigators said they traced the Google account and the phone number associated with it to Petersen. During one of Petersen's recent check-ins with Adult Probation and Parole, police investigating the new allegations seized his phone and discovered suspected child pornography, according to the affidavit,

"Andrew Petersen is currently on probation for the offense of sexual exploitation of a minor. There is substantial evidence to show he has committed new offenses to include production of child pornography," the affidavit alleges.

According to court records, Petersen was charged in 2018 with 35 felonies, including sexual exploitation of a minor, forgery and violation of a protective order. He pleaded guilty in 2019 to a reduced count of attempted sexual exploitation of a minor, in addition to forgery and violating a protective order. He was given credit for the time he was in jail following his arrest, which was more than a year, and was placed on four years of probation.

Petersen was also required to register with the Utah Sex Offender and Kidnap Registry.

In May, Adult Probation and Parole recommended early termination of Petersen's parole, noting that he had successfully completed his court-ordered treatment, according to court records. He was determined to be at low risk to reoffend. The Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office objected to the request. On June 6, a judge agreed to convert Petersen's probation from being supervised by Adult Probation and Parole to the court.

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50425038/utah-sex-offender-arrested-on-new-allegations-of-making-child-pornography>

Ex San Dieguito substitute teacher sentenced for child pornography

By Coast News wire services
March 18, 2022

REGION — A former San Diego-area substitute teacher and Boy Scouts instructor who pleaded guilty to having thousands of images and videos of child pornography on his computer was sentenced this week to 16 months in state prison.

Andrew Jared Primes, 32, must also register as a sex offender for life following his guilty plea last month to a child pornography possession charge. He previously worked for the Poway Unified School District and San Dieguito Union High School District, and served as an instructor for the Boys Scouts of America Fiesta Island Summer Camp, police said.

Prosecutors say that following his arrest in July, a law enforcement search of Primes' computer turned up more than 4,000 images and over 3,800 videos.

The former substitute teacher's arrest stemmed from a report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding his internet activity, which was followed up by an investigation from the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to the San Diego County District Attorney's Office, Primes sought probation with no jail time at sentencing and cited his work with the Boy Scouts as a mitigating factor, but a judge denied probation due to the large volume and the nature of the images and videos seized by police.

<https://thecoastnews.com/ex-san-dieguito-substitute-teacher-sentenced-to-prison-for-child-porn/>

Akron Man Charged with Possessing Child Pornography

By News Desk

June 16, 2022

The state police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force recently arrested an Tuscola County man for possessing child pornography.

64-year-old Andrew Ralston of Akron is charged with 25 counts each of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material and using a computer to commit a crime. The investigation began after police learned he was allegedly viewing the material on the internet. Police seized digital evidence from his home.

Anyone who believes a child is the victim of sexual exploitation can leave a tip with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at [missingkids.org](https://www.missingkids.org).

<https://www.wsgw.com/akron-man-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography/#:~:text=64%2Dyear%2Dold%20Andrew%20Ralston,digital%20evidence%20from%20his%20home>

Fontana man is arrested on child pornography charges

Sep 2, 2022

A 26-year-old Fontana man was arrested on child pornography charges, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Andrew Trinidad was allegedly downloading child pornography over the internet.

On Aug. 30, a search warrant was served at Trinidad's residence in the 15000 block of Coyote Court. During the search warrant, detectives seized multiple electronic devices.

Trinidad was booked at West Valley Detention Center.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-man-is-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/article_a37884b4-28c0-11ed-b547-578080972c33.html

Barrington Man Caught With Child Porn: RI State Police

Jimmy Bentley, Patch Staff

Mar 9, 2022

Andrew Ventres, 27, was charged with possession of child porn. Bail was set at \$2,500, and he can't have unsupervised contact with children.

BARRINGTON, RI — A Barrington man was arrested Tuesday after being caught with child pornography, Rhode Island State Police said.

Andrew Ventres, 27, was charged with possession of child pornography. State Police said the arrest stemmed from an investigation by the department's computer crime unit and internet crimes against children task force.

Ventres was taken to the Lincoln Woods Barracks and was later arraigned in Sixth Division District Court in Providence. Judge Melissa Dubose set bail at \$2,500 with surety and special conditions limiting Ventres' use of the internet. He is also not allowed unsupervised contact with children.

<https://patch.com/rhode-island/barrington/barrington-man-caught-child-porn-ri-state-police>

Local Church Employee Arrested, Accused of Possessing Child Porn

Written by Aaron Castrejon
8/9/2022

WEST COVINA - West Covina Police detectives announced the August 3 arrest of a La Mirada man accused of possessing child pornography and child sex abuse material.

Andrew Williams, 33, was booked on the above mentioned crimes and is accused of possessing more than 600 images of child pornography, according to the West Covina Police Department.

The West Covina Police Department said that Williams' prior place of employment was a church and he last worked in San Dimas. A quick Internet search revealed an Andrew Williams worked as an IT administrator at Victory Outreach Church, 250 W. Arrow Hwy. in San Dimas, beginning in 2019.

This investigation spend several months and included the efforts of West Covina Police detectives, the Los Angeles Regional Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the US Marshal Service Pacific Southwest Regiona Fugitive Task Force.

The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office filed felony charges for the two mentioned crimes.

"Due to Williams' prior place of employment, a church, Detectives believe there may be potential physical victims," the West Covina Police Department said in a written statement.

The suspect is also known to have previously resided in the City of Costa Mesa.

Anyone with information that may aid the investigation is urged to call West Covina Police Detective Iside at 626-939-8735.

<https://www.sgcitywatch.com/west-covina/local-church-employee-arrested-accused-of-possessing-child-porn>

Fired Springside Chestnut Hill Teacher's Victims Included His Own Students, Feds Now Say

By Victor Fiorillo

1/13/2022

More disturbing details emerge in the case of Andrew Wolf, who remains in custody awaiting trial on child pornography charges.

Springside Chestnut Hill Academy math teacher Andrew Wolf, who has been arrested by the FBI and charged with child pornography (photo via SCH Facebook page)

When the feds arrested Springside Chestnut Hill Academy math teacher Andrew Wolf on child pornography charges in October, many worried that the alleged crimes might have involved his own students. And according to new allegations laid out in federal court documents, Wolf's students were, in fact, targets.

These details became clear in a newly unsealed criminal complaint filed against Kray Strange, a 19-year-old New York man who was arrested last week and charged with the manufacturing and distribution of child pornography.

According to the feds, Wolf and Strange first connected online after Strange read some stories allegedly published by Wolf on Nifty, a controversial "erotic literature" website that includes categories like incest, bestiality and "adult-youth."

Investigators say that Strange told Wolf he had experience tricking minors into sending him sexually explicit photos and videos by posing as a teenage girl using the aliases Alexandria and Leslie, among others. In July 2020, say the feds, Wolf and Strange began discussing the idea of Strange baiting boys in Wolf's middle school classes into providing sexually explicit photos and videos. As time went on, Wolf allegedly gave Strange the names and social media accounts of the boys he wanted to target.

After conducting searches of electronic devices and messaging apps belonging to Wolf and Strange, the FBI says it found 250 files depicting child pornography in messages between the two of them, and that the "vast majority" of these were "baited" minors whose images and videos Strange forwarded to Wolf.

Prosecutors allege that there are at least 25 baited victims, including children investigators have positively identified as students at Springside Chestnut Hill Academy. And in January 2021, Wolf allegedly sent a message to Strange, telling him

that he had “decided to make a Google doc to help organize baiting my students. So far I put in the sixth grade, but I’m going to keep working on it.”

Springside Chestnut Hill Academy recently issued the following statement about the Andrew Wolf case:

We are steadfast in our commitment to the safety and well-being of our students and our community, and we will do everything we can to help protect those in our community. The school will continue to provide resources to students and colleagues impacted by this difficult situation and is urging all members of the community to respect the privacy of those who may have been impacted.

Throughout the investigation, we have assisted law enforcement. We have learned from the FBI that Mr. Wolf worked with a third-party adult, who contacted a limited number of SCH students via social media. The other adult has no known affiliation with SCH or the Philadelphia area. The FBI identified the individual and took them into custody. At this time, this is the extent of offenses that the FBI has uncovered.

If students or families have any additional information, we are making sure that everyone has an opportunity to share information or concerns in the manner they feel most comfortable.

We will continue to provide resources to students and colleagues impacted by this difficult situation. SCH’s psychologist has provided information, support services, and additional resources to those who need them. We will continue to make these resources and services available to those who are in need.

The SCH’s Board of Trustees created a special committee that will act as an external review board for the school’s HR, security, and IT protocols. We believe that we have strong systems in place but we will do everything we can to learn and improve ourselves. We are committed to two-way communication and feedback with our community, and we will continue to provide updates as well as resources for our students and families.

If convicted on all charges, Strange and Wolf could face decades in prison.

<https://www.phillymag.com/news/2022/01/13/andrew-wolf-springside-chestnut-hill-2/>

Clifton Auto Tech, 25, Charged With Trafficking Child Porn

By Jerry DeMarco
05/06/2022

A 25-year-old Clifton man who works as an auto technician in Morris County was caught trafficking child porn, authorities said.

Angel Garcia is charged with being the leader of a child pornography network, as well as possessing, maintaining and distributing the images, Passaic County Sheriff Richard Berdnik said.

He was arrested on Thursday, May 5, by detectives from the sheriff's Internet Crime Against Children Task Force who found him "distributing several videos and images of child sexual abuse material using Internet chat platforms," Berdnik said.

Garcia, who works as a technician for Paul Miller Auto in Parsippany, remained held in the Passaic County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Paterson.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/southpassaic/news/clifton-auto-tech-25-charged-with-trafficking-child-porn/831900/>

Man charged with child porn

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A Nothampton County man is facing multiple sexual abuse charges after state police found large quantities of child pornography videos on a device at his home.

State police said its Computer Crime Unit received a Snapchat CyberTip which a user uploaded an apparent child pornography video. Snapchat provided an Internet Protocol address that was used by the suspect to upload the video.

Search warrants were secured for subscriber information which led to Angel Colon Rossy, 31, of Easton. A search warrant found an iPhone 8 plus, which had about 2,000 files of child pornography, 2,100 files of child erotica and child exploitation material, which includes children likely under the age of 18 in various stages of undress as well as age difficult depictions, were found.

Other messaging applications showed the exchanging of child exploitation material files and links.

Juvenile victims' files were shown in various stages of undress, being inappropriately touched.

He was charged with dissemination photo/film of child sex acts, child pornography and criminal use of communication facility. The first two counts are felony 2s and the third a felony 3.

He is in prison, troopers said, pending a preliminary hearing.

<https://www.tnonline.com/20220224/man-charged-with-child-porn/>

Unincorporated Gurnee man charged with possessing child pornography

By Woo-Sung Shim

July 11, 2022

A 26-year-old man was charged after sheriff's detectives executed a search warrant at his unincorporated Gurnee home and found numerous videos of child pornography.

Anthony Cloe, 26, of the 16000 block of West Jonathan Lane in unincorporated Gurnee, was charged with three counts of possession of child pornography, a Class 2 felony.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office received information in March from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force that child pornography was being downloaded onto a device at Cloe's residence, according to Lake County Sheriff's Office Sergeant Ari Briskman.

Sheriff's detectives obtained a search warrant for the home and executed it on Thursday.

Detectives seized digital media devices belonging to Cloe.

A forensic examination was performed on the devices and found multiple videos of children under the age of 13 engaged in sexual acts with adults, Briskman said.

Cloe was arrested and transported to the Lake County Jail.

His bond was set at \$250,000 during a hearing on Friday.

He posted 10%, or \$25,000, and was released the same day.

<https://www.lakemchenryscanner.com/2022/07/11/unincorporated-gurnee-man-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography/>

Greenville man facing nine child porn charges after raid

By WITN Web Team

Jun. 2, 2022

GREENVILLE, N.C. (WITN) - A Greenville man is facing multiple child pornography charges after a raid on his home on Wednesday.

Anthony Mancine, 31, is being held on a \$1 million bond.

Greenville police say they received a cyber tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Greenville's Special Victim's Unit and the SBI raided Mancine's home on Fletcher Place and seized items that led to him being charged with nine counts of second-degree exploitation of a minor.

<https://www.witn.com/2022/06/02/greenville-man-facing-nine-child-porn-charges-after-raid/#:~:text=GREENVILLE%2C%20N.C.,on%20a%20%241%20million%20bond>.

Arrest: Possession and Distribution of Child Pornography

Posted on: August 24, 2022

Beaumont, CA - The Beaumont Police Department Detective Bureau served a search warrant at a residence in the 900 block of Massachusetts reference a child pornography investigation. With the assistance of the Multiple Enforcement Team (MET), and the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit, detectives arrested Anthony Miranda, an 18 year old male from Beaumont for possession and distribution of child pornography. Charges are also pending for a 17 year old juvenile that was in the home and involved in the same activity. Miranda was booked at Smith Correctional Facility in Banning on the charges.

This case is still under investigation. If anyone has information about this case, please contact Detective Sergeant Macias at 951-769-8500. Information can also be reported anonymously at crimetips@beaumontpd.org.

<https://www.beaumontpd.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=886>

Military contractor arrested on child porn charges

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News Tampa Police

In April of 2022, the Tampa Police Department received a cyber tip regarding a person in Tampa who was sharing child pornography via social media.

Through investigative means, Tampa PD officers were led to the home of Anthony Pendleton III, 26, on W Wyoming Avenue in Tampa. Pendleton confessed to knowingly sharing child pornography. Pendleton is employed with Seneca Resources, an IT services company contracted with the Department of Defense.

Multiple computers, phones and electronic storage devices were found in his residence. Pendleton was arrested and charged with 16 counts of possession of child pornography. Additional charges are expected.

<https://www.tampa.gov/news/military-contractor-arrested-child-porn-charges-105876#:~:text=Pendleton%20is%20employed%20with%20Seneca,Additional%20charges%20are%20expected>

Menomonie man accused of possessing child pornography

By Samantha Nitz

Jun. 14, 2022

According to a criminal complaint 20-year-old Anthony Placzkowski of Menomonie is facing one charge of possession of child pornography. (MGN)

DUNN COUNTY, Wis. (WEAU) -A Menomonie, Wis. man is accused of possessing child pornography.

According to a criminal complaint, 20-year-old Anthony Placzkowski of Menomonie is facing one charge of possession of child pornography.

On April 7, 2022 an investigator with the Menomonie Police Department began investigating a Cybertip which reported a Dropbox containing 39 files, containing mostly "apparent child pornography."

The criminal complaint says on June 13, 2022 authorities went to the home address that matched with the IP address connected to the Dropbox. There, authorities made contact with Placzkowski and he denied ever having a Dropbox account. He told authorities that he uses social media such as Snapchat, Facebook, TikTok, etc. Authorities asked Placzkowski if he had any child pornography on his phone and he said he did not.

According to the criminal complaint, further into an interview with authorities in which Placzkowski displayed multiple signs of nervousness, Placzkowski said sometimes people send him things on Kik that "aren't right" and they get him into groups that "aren't the best." On Placzkowski's phone, authorities found "multiple photos of child pornography."

Placzkowski said he has never sent any of the child pornography to anyone. He denied keeping the photos for "sexually gratifying purposes." Placzkowski was taken to the Dunn County Jail.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for June 20, 2022. June 14, 2022 court records show a \$1,000 cash bond has been set for Placzkowski.

<https://www.weau.com/2022/06/15/menomonie-man-accused-possessing-child-pornography/>

Fluvanna man to serve 31 years for child pornography

By: Dean Mirshahi

Posted: Feb 18, 2022

Fluvanna County, Va. (WRIC) — A 52-year-old Fluvanna man will serve 31 years in prison after pleading guilty to several child pornography charges. The court sentenced him to 190 years, according to the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office.

Anthony Roy Ricciotti Jr was convicted on multiple counts of possessing and distributing child pornography after an investigation and search of his home in May 2020.

He was also convicted of providing "child pornography in order to gain entry into a group, association, or assembly of persons engaged in trading or sharing child pornography," the first such charge and conviction of its kind in Fluvanna County, according to a release from the county's sheriff's office.

Ricciotti was sentenced to 190 years in Fluvanna County Circuit Court on Feb. 17., "of which he will actively serve 31 years" in the Virginia Department of Corrections, the release stated.

<https://www.wric.com/news/crime/fluvanna-man-to-serve-31-years-for-child-pornography/#:~:text=The%20court%20sentenced%20him%20to,his%20home%20in%20May%202020>

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Southern District of Florida

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, September 15, 2022

Five Defendants Indicted in a Conspiracy to Distribute Child Pornography

Miami, Florida – A federal grand jury in West Palm Beach has charged five men with one count of conspiracy to distribute child pornography and multiple counts of distribution and solicitation of child pornography.

Anthony Wayne Santiago, 28, of Novi, MI; Jacob Dominic VanDyke, 25, of Muskegon, MI; Johnathan Scott Fleak, 32, of Pryor, OK; Aaron Ray Iuliano, 27, of Ravenna, OH; and Michael Paul Gianfrancesco, 39, of Livingston, TN, were members of a chat room predicated on the distribution of pornography of children under the age of 13 years.

According to the indictment, from September to October 2021, the five defendants entered and participated in a private online chat. These defendants all distributed and or solicited child pornography amongst more than 50 other individuals.

Juan Antonio Gonzalez, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida, Anthony Salisbury, Special Agent in Charge, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), and Ric Bradshaw, Sheriff, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO), made the announcement.

HSI Miami and PBSO investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Gregory Schiller is prosecuting the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC), a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals, who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about the Project Safe Childhood initiative and for information regarding Internet safety, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

An indictment contains mere allegations and defendants are innocent unless found guilty in a court of law.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdfl/pr/five-defendants-indicted-conspiracy-distribute-child-pornography>

Baraboo man sentenced in federal court

Bridget Cooke
Feb 27, 2022

A man who fled from the Ho-Chunk casino after assaulting a man while armed in the parking lot was sentenced in the U.S. Western District of Wisconsin court for illegally possessing a firearm as a convicted felon.

Anthony James Wilson, 29, of Baraboo, was sentenced Wednesday by Chief U.S. District Judge James D. Peterson to 37 months in federal prison. Wilson was also sentenced to three following years of extended release.

Wilson had previously been convicted of felony possession of narcotics and robbery by use of force in March in Milwaukee County Court. According to a statement released by U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea, Wilson had also been convicted of stealing a firearm. The previous convictions "were significant concerns" for the judge and "indicated a need to protect the public."

Wilson was arrested in June after leading Sauk County Sheriff's deputies on a chase from the casino to West Baraboo while driving a Saturn Ion. He fled from the scene and again when deputies tried to pull him over. He was eventually caught after fleeing on foot and hid in the neighborhood.

After being questioned, Wilson admitted to having possession of a gun that he had hidden while hiding from police. Wilson agreed to show them where it was due to its close proximity to a nearby school that had been locked down during the search. Wilson said he hid the gun where children couldn't find it. Police found the Smith & Wesson .357 magnum revolver loaded with six rounds.

https://www.wiscnews.com/community/baraboonewsrepublic/baraboo-man-sentenced-in-federal-court/article_ce4c4d23-6b17-5128-9337-6eec0233d6a8.html

Tulsa man pleads guilty to child pornography charges

By Jacob Factor

Mar 13, 2022

A Tulsa man pleaded guilty Monday in Tulsa County District Court to four counts of possession of child pornography, Tulsa police said in a news release.

Antonio Martinez-Mejia, 32, was sentenced to 20 years in Oklahoma Department of Corrections custody.

He was arrested Sept. 16 by the Tulsa Police Department's Cybercrimes Unit after a three-month investigation after someone uploaded child pornography to cloud storage accounts, police said.

Google reported the uploads to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which contacted the Tulsa police.

Detectives discovered that the accounts belonged to Martinez-Mejia, who confessed to having produced the child pornography by recording himself molesting a child, police said.

Detectives recovered more than 500 photos and videos of child pornography in Martinez-Mejia's possession.

"This case highlights the importance of these kinds of investigations in combating the sexual exploitation of children," police said in the news release.

https://tulsaworld.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/tulsa-man-pleads-guilty-to-child-pornography-charges/article_145d99f2-8552-11ec-9d07-f3262765301a.html

Riverbank man believed to possess child porn, sheriff's office says

By: Jeremiah Martinez

Posted: Aug 18, 2022

STANISLAUS COUNTY, Calif. (KTXL) — A 53-year-old man from Riverbank was arrested this week and is accused of possessing child pornography, the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office announced Thursday.

Antonio Montalbo Jr. was taken into custody on Wednesday around 2:30 p.m. after officers searched his home on Colony Manor Drive. With an approved search warrant, the sheriff's office said multiple electronic devices were seized for further forensic examination.

While detectives from Riverbank Police Services were investigating, they established probable cause, as they believe Montalbo possesses child porn and was contacting minors with "the intent to produce harm content," authorities said.

The sheriff's office said the agency was tipped by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, a nonprofit whose mission is to help find missing children, reduce child sexual exploitation and prevent child victimization.

Police said Montalbo is not employed and remains in custody at the Stanislaus County Public Safety Center.

His bail is currently set at \$125,000 and is also facing an alleged traffic violation along with his child porn charges.

For anybody with information or additional tips about this case, the sheriff's office said to contact detective Rosas at 209-869-7162.

<https://fox40.com/news/local-news/stanislaus-county/riverbank-man-believed-to-possess-child-porn-sheriffs-office-says/>

Mountain View man arrested for felony possession of child pornography, solicitation

October 4, 2022 / 6:54 PM / CBS SAN FRANCISCO

MOUNTAIN VIEW -- Police in Mountain View on Tuesday announced the arrest of a suspect following a months-long investigation in connection with child abuse sexual material, according to authorities.

The extensive investigation began in January of this year after Mountain View Police Department cyber detectives received a tip that had originally been reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding possible child abuse sexual material, also known as CSAM.

The department's cyber detectives immediately began to investigate the tip further and learned that the material was connected to a man identified as 26-year-old Mountain View resident Artiz Banuelos. Further investigation uncovered thousands of CSAM images and over 100 chats between minors and Banuelos on social media. Police said the chats included requests for inappropriate images or videos as well as requests to meet in person.

Detectives built their case by culling through each and every image and chat. On Tuesday, detectives arrested Banuelos without incident at his work, a Best Buy location in Mountain View. A search warrant was also served at Banuelos' Mountain View home and additional follow-up will be conducted in this case.

Banuelos was booked into Santa Clara County Main jail for felony possession of child pornography, solicitation of a minor to commit a sex crime and arranging a meeting with a minor to commit lewd acts.

"The determination and persistence in this case is reflective of the kind of officers we have here at Mountain View PD – dedicated to the protection and service of our most vulnerable residents, our children," MVPD Captain Saul Jaeger said in the release. "I'm very grateful that this suspect was apprehended by our team."

As police continue their investigation, they ask that anyone who is a victim or knows someone who may be a victim of Banuelos, should contact Officer Pablo Donato at pablo.donato@mountainview.gov.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/sanfrancisco/news/mountain-view-man-arrested-for-felony-possession-of-child-pornography-solicitation/>

2 Eau Claire people suspected of possessing child pornography

By Samantha Nitz

Feb. 2, 2022

EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (WEAU) - Charges are filed against two people from Eau Claire that are suspected of possessing child pornography.

29-year-old Ashley Flick of Eau Claire is given one charge of possession of child pornography. 34-year-old Daniel Lewis of Eau Claire is given two charges of possession of child pornography.

Authorities first received a Cypertip Oct. 1, 2021. On July 17, 2021, authorities then received additional Cybertips via Google of the downloading of child pornography. Authorities connected the Google account to Flick.

According to the criminal complaint, an officer reviewed in-house records associated with the Flick living at a home in Eau Claire County. That officer also found several cases where Flick was contacted by police in the presence of Lewis.

On Oct. 14 the officer spoke to Flick. Flick confirmed her Gmail account, and also confirmed that Lewis also used her phone and had the password and/or had access to her Gmail account.

On Jan. 19, 2022, the officer searched Flick's phone and located a pornographic image.

The criminal complaint says that authorities also located several notable emails that had been sent to Flick. These emails had each been sent from another Gmail account. Each email appeared to contain one link to various websites containing child pornography.

The time stamps on these emails were between Dec. 26, 2021 and Dec. 29, 2021. Authorities were able to connect Lewis with that Gmail account, via a \$25 Cash App payment that was sent to Flick.

Lewis will have a court appearance Feb. 8. Flick will have a court appearance Feb. 22.

<https://www.weau.com/2022/02/02/2-eau-claire-people-suspected-possessing-child-pornography/>

Michigan City man pleads guilty to production of child pornography

By Mark Peterson

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MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. (WNDU) - A Michigan City man has pled guilty to the production of child pornography.

On Wednesday, 48-year-old Ashley Harper admitted to taking sexually explicit cellphone pictures of a 5-year-old child in July 2021.

He is faced with a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years, and a possible maximum sentence of up to life.

Harper is scheduled to be sentenced on June 16, in the U.S. District Court in South Bend.

<https://www.wndu.com/2022/03/02/michigan-city-man-pleads-guilty-production-child-pornography/>

Clearwater man arrested for possession of child pornography

By: Rachel Tucker

Posted: Jul 21, 2022

CLEARWATER, Fla. (WFLA) — A Clearwater man was arrested on several counts of possession of child pornography on Thursday.

According to a release from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Atitorn Pattanapisarn, 26, was charged with 9 counts of possession of child pornography.

The sheriff's office began investigating Pattanapisarn after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Detectives found through their investigation that Pattanapisarn was uploading exploitative material to the internet.

Detectives searched the internet account in question and found several explicit images of children. The sheriff's office said Pattanapisarn admitted to detectives that he searched for child pornography online and saved the images to his account.

<https://www.wfla.com/news/pinellas-county/clearwater-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Press Releases Detective Bureau

On January 25, 2022, members of the Computer Crimes Unit/Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested Austin Coyne, age 25, of 130 Cottage Avenue, Portsmouth, Rhode Island, for Possession of Child Pornography and Child Erotica Prohibited. Mr. Coyne was transported to the Wickford Barracks, where he was processed. He was later arraigned in Second Division District Court before the Honorable Judge Hastings. Judge Hastings issued bail at twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) with surety, limited internet use and no unsupervised contact with minors.

<https://www.ri.gov/press/view/42947>

Schoolteacher in Stanislaus County is booked in jail on child pornography charge

By Ken Carlson

Updated October 06, 2022

A schoolteacher in Newman was arrested Wednesday and booked in jail on charges of possessing sexually explicit images of children. Austin Mendonca, 28, was taken into custody after Newman police served a search warrant at a residence in the 1300 block of Stephens Avenue, according to a Newman police Facebook post. Mendonca is a teacher at Yolo Middle School. Police said they immediately notified the Newman Crows Landing Unified School District about the arrest. Mendonca was in jail Thursday morning with bail set at \$25,000.

The Newman-Crows Landing Unified School District placed Mendonca on administrative leave Wednesday, Superintendent Shawn Posey said. Posey said police notified the district about the investigation at about 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and the teacher was immediately placed on leave.

"They gave us a little bit of time before they served the warrant, to be prepared for it," Posey said. "We appreciate the Newman police and their efforts to keep our children safe." The superintendent said a notification about the arrest was sent to parents Wednesday evening. The district's notice said a Yolo Middle School teacher was arrested for alleged "Internet crimes against a minor" and the school district is working with Newman police. "We are unaware of any information indicating that the crime was committed against any student of the district," the notification to parents said.

Mendonca was in his second year teaching full time at Yolo Middle School in Newman. Posey said he was a substitute teacher before that. Newman police said the investigation is ongoing. No additional information was released. Police noted that all persons arrested are considered innocent until proven guilty in court. Anyone with information regarding the investigation may contact Sgt. Jose Gomez, at jgomez@cityofnewman.com.

<https://www.modbee.com/news/local/crime/article266913571.html>

Longmont man arrested on child pornography charges

Sheriff's deputies said 40-year-old Benito Chavez-Perez possessed and distributed child pornography on a social messaging application.

Author: Nate Lynn

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LONGMONT, Colo. — Boulder County sheriff's deputies have arrested a Longmont man on child pornography charges.

The sheriff's office said in a release Saturday that 40-year-old Benito Chavez-Perez possessed and distributed child pornography on a social messaging app.

The investigation began after the Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received information about the distribution of child pornography from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Deputies said a search warrant was executed on Sept. 21 at Chavez-Perez's home on Wedgewood Avenue, where additional evidence was found.

Chavez-Perez was booked at the Boulder County Jail and is being held without bond on charges of sexual exploitation of a child - possession with intent to distribute, and two counts of sexual exploitation of a child - possession.

Anyone who suspects a child is being sexually exploited online can report it online or call 1-800-THE-LOST.

<https://www.9news.com/article/news/crime/longmont-man-child-pornography-charges/73-c6988e2f-1a59-4069-988e-57e4514f1f4d>

Houston area man sentenced to more than 30 years for sexually exploiting children

By FOX 26 Digital

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FRIENDSWOOD, Texas - Officials have sentenced a man to 35 years behind bars for sexually exploiting children, and buying and possessing child pornography.

Benjamin C. Slaughter, 24, of Friendswood, located just south of Houston, pleaded guilty to charges in August 2021, according to a press release.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigation (HSI) in Galveston, and the Houston Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force launched a joint investigation into Slaughter's crimes. Officials say Slaughter met a girl who was 15-years-old at the time through a social media website called Skout, and asked her to become engaged in sexually explicit activities.

Additionally, investigators say Slaughter demanded one victim to go out and sleep with strangers "without using protection." The press release also states "Slaughter began receiving child pornography prior to becoming an adult and created a Dropbox account to store some of his collection."

Thorough searches of his computers showed graphic photos and videos involving babies and even animals, law enforcement agencies said.

For these crimes, the 24-year-old was sentenced to 35 years in federal prison. After his sentence, we're told he will be held on supervised release "for the rest of his life," meaning he will have to adhere to certain requirements meant to "restrict his access to children and the internet."

<https://www.fox26houston.com/news/houston-area-man-sentenced-to-more-than-30-years-for-sexually-exploiting-children>

Freeland man and instructor at Delta College arrested on child pornography charges

By: Sheryl Coonan
May 17, 2022

FREELAND, Mich. (WJRT) - A Freeland man has been arrested following an investigation regarding the distribution of child sexually abusive material on the internet.

Freeland resident, 43-year-old Benjamin Michael Clore, was listed on Delta College's website as an assistant professor in the art department.

He was arrested following an investigation by the Michigan State Police.

Police say they received a tip that Clore was allegedly viewing and distributing files of child sexually abusive material on the internet.

Police say they seized digital evidence from his home.

Clore was charged with one count of child sexually abusive activity, one count of possession of child sexually abusive material, and one count of using a computer to commit a criminal offense.

ABC12 reached out to Delta College to learn the status of Clore's employment and they tell us:

"Mr. Benjamin Clore is an instructor at Delta College who was immediately placed on administrative leave when we were informed that he was the subject of a criminal investigation. Any further action is awaiting the outcome of the justice system proceedings."

We did reach out to Clore's attorney, Jim Gust, who did not want to comment on the case at this point.

https://www.abc12.com/news/freeland-man-and-instructor-at-delta-college-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/article_1044424e-d61a-11ec-b3b0-dbf921ce5621.html

Former ISU student extradited to Ames on child pornography charges

By: Natasha Keicher

Posted: Sep 2, 2022

AMES, Iowa — A former Iowa State University Student was charged with multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a minor on Wednesday.

Iowa State University Police received a tip in June 2021 from the Lafayette County Sheriff's Office in Wisconsin of an Iowa State student being a suspect in the sheriff's office investigation into the potential possession of child pornography. According to the university police, the student was in possession of sexually explicit pictures and videos of children while on Iowa State campus.

The Iowa State Police continued the investigation with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task force and confirmed that the individuals in the images and videos were underage. The student graduated while the investigation was on-going.

Benjamin Cooper, 22, was charged with six counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Investigators with the Lafayette County Sheriff's Office arrested Cooper on Aug. 31 and he will be extradited to Story County for further legal proceedings.

<https://who13.com/news/former-isu-student-extradited-to-ames-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Sheffield man arrested for possession of child sex abuse materials

Thu, 03/31/2022

Vermont Business Magazine The Attorney General's Office announced that Benjamin G Mallery, 30, of Sheffield, Vermont, was arrested and arraigned today on five felony counts of Possession of Child Sex Abuse Materials and one misdemeanor count of Possession of Child Sex Abuse Materials. The Caledonian Record([link is external](#)) is reporting that Mallery is a corrections officer at the Northeast Correctional Complex in St Johnsbury.

The charges brought against Mallery are the result of a criminal investigation – including the execution of residential and online data search warrants—conducted by the Vermont Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (VT-ICAC), including personnel from the Attorney General's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, and the Vermont State Police.

The investigation was initiated when VT-ICAC received a CyberTipline Report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual possessed what was suspected to be images of child sexual abuse material, commonly referred to as "child pornography," within that individual's Google account. Based upon the criminal investigation of this tip, Mr. Mallery, an employee and supervisor with the Vermont Department of Corrections, was identified as the source of the suspected content within the identified Google account.

Today, Mr. Mallery pleaded not guilty at his arraignment in Vermont Superior Court, Caledonia Criminal Division. After hearing the Attorney General's Office's argument for \$10,000 bail, the Court, Superior Court Judge Justin Jiron presiding, released the defendant and ordered conditions of release which restrict Mr. Mallery's access to minors, access to the internet, and access to devices capable of accessing the internet during the pendency of the case.

VT-ICAC investigates cases of child sexual exploitation occurring over the internet, including the production and online distribution of child sexual abuse materials. VT-ICAC also provides forensic examination services, technical assistance, law enforcement training, and public education and outreach. The Attorney General's Office, U.S. Attorney's Office, Vermont State Police, Homeland Security Investigations and other federal, state, county, and municipal law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies are

affiliated with VT-ICAC.

<https://vermontbiz.com/news/2022/march/31/sheffield-man-arrested-possession-child-sex-abuse-materials>

Mechanicsville man facing multiple child pornography charges

By NBC12 Newsroom

Published: Oct. 24, 2022

HANOVER, Va. (WWBT) - The Hanover County Sheriff's Office arrested a Mechanicsville man last Thursday on multiple counts of child pornography possession and distribution.

On Thursday, Oct. 20, deputies acted on a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and conducted a search on a home in the 6000 block of Turnage Lane.

After investigating and collecting evidence, police arrested 22-year-old Benjamin T. Tuomey of Mechanicsville was arrested and charged him with at least 15 counts of child pornography possession and one felony count of distribution of child pornography.

Tuomey was taken to Pamunkey Regional Jail where he is being held without bond.

Anyone with any more information about this case can call the Hanover County Sheriff's Office at 804-365-6140 or Metro Richmond Crime Stoppers at 804-780-1000.

<https://www.nbc12.com/2022/10/24/mechanicsville-man-facing-multiple-child-pornography-charges/>

HSI investigation results in life sentence for South Bay accountant who produced child sexual abuse material

OCTOBER 25, 2022 LOS ANGELES, CACHILD EXPLOITATION

LOS ANGELES – A South Bay man was sentenced Oct. 25, to life without parole in federal prison after admitting to producing thousands of sexually explicit images and videos of nearly three-dozen children – one of whom was exploited over the course of at least two years and performed sex acts online in exchange for money.

Billy Edward Frederick, 52, of Redondo Beach, California, was sentenced by United States District Judge Dale S. Fischer, who after sentencing Frederick to life, said that “to say his conduct is despicable is an understatement.”

“Our unrelenting investigative efforts of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) special agents and our federal partners resulted in this child predator going away for life in federal prison for his egregious crimes,” said Acting Special Agent in Charge Eddy Wang, HSI Long Beach. “HSI will continue to work tirelessly for the victims to identify these dangerous offenders and bring them to justice. Our efforts are vital in protecting our nation’s most vulnerable population from sexual predators.”

Judge Fischer added that “life in prison adequately reflects the seriousness of the offense,” in which Frederick “targeted” victims in a “part of the world where children are known for being sexually exploited.”

Frederick pleaded guilty in September 2021 to two felony offenses: production of child pornography for transportation into the United States and enticement of a minor to engage in criminal sexual activity.

According to court documents, Frederick obtained and stored in his Google accounts various images and videos depicting child sex abuse material. In messages sent to Frederick, several victims call Frederick “master.” Prosecutors said in a sentencing memorandum that Frederick exploited “young boys in the Philippines in need of money for food and school.”

Frederick admitted to producing more than 5,000 images and videos of child pornography involving at least 35 different children by requesting these children engage in specified sexually explicit activity in exchange for money. Some of the videos and images depicted minor victims under the age of 12 being used for sexual acts.

“Using Google Chat to bridge their geographical divide, [Frederick], while living in Los Angeles County, exploited numerous boys who lived in the Philippines,” according to the sentencing memorandum. Frederick’s “years-long conversations with these Philippine boys were not coded; they were explicit and lurid – brimming with details regarding what defendant liked, demanded, and expected from his victims, should they wish to be paid.”

In addition to the life sentence, Judge Fischer ordered Frederick to pay \$5,000 to the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015; \$5,000 to the Amy, Vicky, and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Act of 2018, and \$8,000 in restitution to one of the victims.

Assistant United States Attorney Kathy Yu of the Violent and Organized Crime Section prosecuted this case.

HSI is a directorate of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the principal investigative arm of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), responsible for investigating transnational crime and threats, specifically those criminal organizations that exploit the global infrastructure through which international trade, travel, and finance move. HSI’s workforce of over 10,400 employees consists of more than 6,800 special agents assigned to 225 cities throughout the United States, and 93 overseas locations in 56 countries. HSI’s international presence represents DHS’s largest investigative law enforcement presence abroad and one of the largest international footprints in U.S. law enforcement.

<https://www.ice.gov/news/releases/hsi-investigation-results-life-sentence-south-bay-accountant-who-produced-child#:~:text=Frederick%20pleaded%20guilty%20in%20September,engage%20in%20criminal%20sexual%20activity>

Crystal Lake man charged with multiple counts of possessing, intending to disseminate child pornography

By Sam Borcia
June 19, 2022

A Crystal Lake man is facing multiple felony charges after police found him in possession of child pornography with the intent to disseminate it, court documents allege.

Blake R. Austin, 19, of the 900 block of Camelot Drive in Crystal Lake, was charged with two counts of reproduction of child pornography, a Class X felony, and four counts of possession of child pornography, Class 2 and 3 felonies.

A criminal complaint filed in McHenry County Circuit Court alleges that investigators with the Crystal Lake Police Department found Austin in possession of at least five videos and one image.

The material showed various girls, who all appeared to be under the age of 18, engaging in an act of sexual conduct, the complaint said.

Several of the videos and the image involved children that appeared to be younger than 13, the complaint said.

With two of the videos Austin possessed, he had "the intent to disseminate" them, the complaint added.

The McHenry County State's Attorney's Office approved the charges against Austin and a McHenry County judge signed off on an arrest warrant on June 7, court records show.

Police arrested Austin on the warrant, and he was later released after posting 10% of his \$100,000 bond.

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<https://www.lakemchenryscanner.com/2022/06/19/crystal-lake-man-charged-with-multiple-counts-of-possessing-intending-to-disseminate-child-pornography/>

Seminole man jailed on multiple child pornography charges

By TAMPA BAY NEWSPAPERS STAFF

Jun 24, 2022

SEMINOLE — Pinellas County Sheriff's detectives arrested a 27-year-old Seminole man June 22 while investigating a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about child pornography being uploaded via a social media/messenger application, Kik.

Blake Allen Schmop was booked into the Pinellas County Jail on 10 counts of possession of child pornography and 10 counts of transmission of child pornography. Bail was set at \$40,000. He was released on surety bond at 10:33 a.m. June 24.

Detectives obtained a search warrant for Schomp's residence on 121st Street North in Seminole. They say several images of child pornography were found on his cell phone and laptop.

https://www.tbnweekly.com/pinellas_county/crime_crashes_fire/article_4bdb2c18-f3e4-11ec-a134-a3c46acc694c.html#:~:text=Blake%20Allen%20Schmop%20was%20booked,10%3A33%20a.m.%20June%202024

Two Defendants Are Charged With Sex Abuse Of A Minor

Ten Indictments Returned By Frederick County Grand Jury

February 25, 2022 - 8:13 pm

Frederick, Md. (KM) – The Frederick County Grand Jury returned 10 indictments on Friday. One of them was against Brad Allen Kelley of Frederick, 36, whose charged with sex abuse of a minor and sex abuse of a minor continuing course of conduct. Authorities say he sexually abused a girl between July, 2018 to November, 2021.

Also indicted was Eduardo Antonio Burgos-Ceron, 42, of Middletown, whose charged with 2nd-degree rape, sex abuse of a minor and sex abuse of a minor continuing course of conduct. The Frederick County Sheriff's Office says Brugos-Ceron sexually abused a girl repeatedly between February, 2014 to February, 2019.

<https://www.wfmd.com/2022/02/25/ten-indictments-returned-by-frederick-county-grand-jury/>

UPDATE: NORTHPORT MAN ACCUSED OF SOLICITING MINORS ON SOCIAL MEDIA FACES NEW CHARGES

By Stephen Dethrage

Published: May 3, 2022

A Northport man who was accused last week of sharing child pornography on a mobile messaging app is facing a slew of new charges Tuesday as an investigation by the West Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force continues.

Phil Simpson, the commander of the Task Force, said a multi-agency investigation into 24-year-old Bradley Edward Miller was launched in February after police received information that he was soliciting minors through social media platforms.

Simpson said Miller reached out to minors online, offered to send the money in exchange for nude pictures and asked to meet them in person for sex.

Miller is from Northport but attends school in Rock Hill, South Carolina, and Simpson said the task force worked with South Carolina police to arrest Miller in April then search his phone and other devices.

Simpson said investigators were able to use the devices to identify underage victims of sexual assault in the Tuscaloosa area and obtain new warrants against Miller.

The 24-year-old is now charged with Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act, Electronic Solicitation of a Child, second-degree rape and second-degree sodomy in addition to the single count of disseminating material containing visual depictions of persons under 17 involved in obscene acts filed against him last month.

Simpson said Miller is currently in the Bibb County Jail, where he has been charged with separate but similar crimes, and that he will be re-arrested on the new charges in Tuscaloosa County upon his release there.

The investigation is ongoing, and Simpson said more charges are likely in both Tuscaloosa County and in South Carolina.

Police believe there may be additional victims and are asking for anyone who has been targeted by Miller to please contact the task force. Simpson also said Miller has used at least one pseudonym when dealing with potential victims.

Anyone with children who have been contacted by Bradley Edward Miller is urged to call the West Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force at 205 248-4750.

<https://tuscaloosathread.com/northport-man-faces-new-charges/>

Saginaw man charged with possessing, distributing child porn

By Stephen Borowy

Published: Mar. 14, 2022

SAGINAW, Mich. (WNEM) - A man from Saginaw was arrested for allegedly possessing and distributing child pornography.

Bradley Alan Princinsky, 44, was arrested after digital evidence was seized from his home, according to Michigan State Police. The investigation started when authorities said they learned Princinsky was viewing files of child pornography on the internet.

Princinsky was charged with three counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material, five counts of using a computer to commit a crime, one count of distribution of child sexually abusive material, and one count of possession of child sexually abusive material. He was arraigned in the 70th District Court on Monday, March 14.

The MSP Computer Crimes Unit encourages parents to speak to their children about the safe use of the internet. Parents can use resources from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the MSP Internet Crime Against Children Task Force.

<https://www.wnem.com/2022/03/14/saginaw-man-charged-with-possessing-distributing-child-porn/>

71-year-old man charged with 50 counts of child pornography

By: Emily Silvi

Apr 11, 2022

JERSHEY SHORE, LYCOMING COUNTY (WBRE/WYOU) — A Lycoming County man is facing 50 counts of child pornography charges after police say they found him to be in possession of photos and videos of sex crimes against children.

According to court documents, three cyber tips were received by the Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General's Child Predator Section. All of the tips were received between February and March of 2021.

The paperwork states that three separate sexually explicit photos of children were uploaded to BingImage. Upon further investigation, officials were led to 71-year-old Bradley Thrash.

The AG's office advised that there was a search warrant for Thrash's residence and, according to paperwork, Thrash said "yeah, it's because of me."

Court documents also state Thrash told officials that he has had a pornography addiction since he was a young man and he recently had started searching for and saving child pornography. Thrash told officials that he searched for images that depict only children, police say.

Thrash told officials what search words and search engines he uses to find the explicit content. Officials asked him how many files they would find on his devices and he said "thousands," according to court paperwork.

Officials say that in a preview of Thrash's computer they found at least 50 files of apparent child pornography.

Thrash is charged with 50 counts of child pornography and one count of criminal use of a communication facility.

<https://www.pahomepage.com/news/71-year-old-man-charged-with-50-counts-of-child-pornography/>

Suspect with child porn on devices nabbed after taking his children to school bus stop

By Meta Minton
February 23, 2022

A suspect with child pornography on his electronic devices was nabbed after dropping off his children at a school bus stop.

Brandon Elledge, 36, was arrested Tuesday morning at his home in Ocklawaha on 20 counts of possession of obscene material depicting child sex.

Marion County sheriff's deputies had secured warrants for his arrest and began surveilling Elledge's home at 6 a.m. Tuesday. The deputies watched him leave to take his children to a school bus stop. When he arrived back in the driveway, deputies moved in and took him into custody.

Warrants had been obtained to access Elledge's Google and Spectrum accounts. The warrants led to the discovery of images uploaded by Elledge, including images of prepubescent girls in sexually abusive situations, including several with adult males. Google had suspended Elledge's account because the images he was uploading violated their standards. The images were found on laptops, flash drives and Elledge's phone. He admitted he viewed the images to become sexually aroused.

Elledge's wife said she was "unaware" of her husband's interest in sexual interest in children, the arrest report noted.

He was taken into custody and booked on \$100,000 bond at the Marion County Jail.

<https://www.villages-news.com/2022/02/23/suspect-with-child-porn-on-devices-nabbed-after-taking-his-children-to-school-bus-stop/>

Butler County man indicted on 19 child porn-related charges

By FOX19 Digital Staff

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BUTLER COUNTY, Ohio (WXIX) - A Butler County Grand Jury has indicted a man on 19 child porn-related charges.

In June, Brandon Marlow, 36, was arrested for three counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance, according to the Butler County Sheriff's Office.

On Monday, Marlow's list of charges grew to 19, the sheriff's office said.

He is now facing seven counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material, 12 charges for pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, and one charge for possessing drug abuse instruments, the sheriff's office said.

Some of Marlow's family members said he has struggled with addiction issues related to methamphetamines and pornography.

Marlow is still in the Butler County Jail and his next court date has not been scheduled.

<https://www.fox19.com/2022/08/08/butler-county-man-indicted-19-child-porn-related-charges/>

Florida man faces charges for possessing child pornography, sexually abusing dog

Veronica Crespo, Digital Journalist
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VOLUSIA COUNTY, Fla. – Volusia County Sheriff's deputies have charged 29-year-old Brandon Shelton with 11 counts of possessing child pornography and six counts of sexual activity involving animals.

Deputies arrested Shelton on Tuesday, after receiving a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

During the investigation, officials discovered 11 electronic files of videos and photos that portrayed children in sexually exploitative situations. The victims were estimated to range from as young as 2 or 3 years old to 7 to 9.

Detectives say Shelton told them he had downloaded and forwarded suspected child pornography. In addition, Shelton said he was the male subject wearing a gold watch in videos while having sexual contact with his wife's dog.

Last month, detectives executed a search warrant at Shelton's home, where they interviewed Shelton. They seized multiple items, electronics, his gold watch and two-family dogs. The dogs were turned over to Volusia County Animal Services.

<https://www.local10.com/news/florida/2022/02/16/florida-man-faces-charges-for-possessing-child-pornography-sexually-abusing-dog/>

Contracted worker at Putnam County Jail arrested for possession of obscene material involving minors

Author: First Coast News Staff

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A civilian employee contracted to work at the Putnam County Jail has been arrested for allegedly receiving and sharing obscene material involving children, deputies say.

The Putnam County Sheriff's Office says Brandon Smolinski, 36, was charged with multiple counts of possession of obscene material involving minors, use of a two-way communication device to commit a felony and obscene communication.

Putnam County detectives say they received a cyber-tip from KIK, a social media app, about child pornography downloaded by Smolinski.

During Smolinski's work for the contract company, deputies say he was working in a tower at the Putnam County Jail and accessed the Sheriff's Office Wi-Fi.

Detectives say they confronted Smolinski outside the jail on Aug. 11 prior to his work shift. He allegedly admitted to detectives he took his cellphone into the jail tower, violating policy, and used the social media app to access group chats.

He reportedly admitted that this included one where he was sent videos of child pornography.

Smolinski allegedly told detectives he transmitted over 100 images of child sexual abuse material through the social media app. All the images are believed to be downloads from other locations.

Putnam County deputies say Smolinski told detectives he watched the material at his Clay County home and the sheriff's office.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office is also investigating.

Smolinski was arrested and taken to the Putnam County Jail. He was later transferred to St. Johns County Jail due to his knowledge of practices used in the Putnam. He is being held on \$90,000 bond.

<https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/crime/contracted-worker-at-putnam-county-jail-arrested-for-possession-of-obscene-material-involving-minors/77-4ea7b4e8-e8ae-4f83-989a-03f4fe035bdf>

Kettering man faces 30 child porn related charges following indictment

By WHIO Staff

March 15, 2022 at 5:25 pm

KETTERING — A Kettering man is facing 30 felony charges related to child pornography after a grand jury indicted him Tuesday.

Brent Hasseman, 52, was indicted on 15 counts each of pandering obscenity involving a minor and illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material.

Prosecutors said Kettering police were contacted by the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force about Hasseman. Hasseman is accused of uploading child pornography between March and April last year.

There is no information that any of the photos involve any local victims, including anyone known to Hasseman, said Greg Flannagan, spokesman for the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.

Hasseman was not listed as an inmate in the Montgomery County Jail Tuesday afternoon.

<https://www.whio.com/news/local/kettering-man-faces-30-child-porn-related-charges-following-indictment/HMCPPCRLZBBSRK3AIT557IZLY4/>

CyberTip leads to Bismarck man's arrest in child pornography case

By Erika Craven

May. 31, 2022

BISMARCK, N.D. (KFYR) - A Bismarck man is in custody after police say he possessed and exchanged child sexual abuse materials.

Investigators say a CyberTip led them to the IP address of 36-year-old Brett Rittenbach. In a search of the home, they say they found sexually explicit images of children on his cell phone.

Rittenbach is charged with promoting or directing an obscene sexual performance by a minor among other charges.

He's held on a \$5,000 cash bond.

<https://www.kfyrtv.com/2022/05/31/cybertip-leads-bismarck-mans-arrest-child-pornography-case/>

North Bend man indicted on multiple child pornography charges involving children under 5

By: Molly Schramm
Oct 07, 2022

NORTH BEND, Ohio — A North Bend man has been indicted for owning multiple child pornography videos.

On Sept. 28, Brian Ashcraft, 38, was arrested on Mt. Nebo Road, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office said.

Ashcraft was charged with four counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor. All four charges are a felony of the second degree.

The videos he owned showed pornography involving a 2-month-old, 1-year-old and a 3- and 4-year-old, according to court documents.

Ashcraft was identified in an investigation that spurred from a March 2022 complaint sent to the Cincinnati office of Homeland Security from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. He was already incarcerated on unrelated charges when he was identified. His phone was seized and forensically analyzed, which is where investigators found the child pornography.

Ashcraft was indicted Oct. 6 and is currently being held at the Hamilton County Justice Center on a \$300,000 bond, per court documents.

The investigation into Ashcraft's activities is still ongoing, and anyone with information is asked to contact the Regional Electronics & Computer Investigations section of Homeland Security at 513-946-8338.

<https://www.wcpo.com/news/local-news/hamilton-county/north-bend/north-bend-man-indicted-on-multiple-child-pornography-charges-involving-children-under-5>

Rockford man held without bond on child pornography charges

By WIFR Newsroom

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ROCKFORD, Ill. (WIFR) - A 38-year-old Rockford man was arrested Tuesday by Illinois State Police and the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) division of the state attorney general's office.

Brian E. Broughton faces five counts each of possession and dissemination of child pornography. Court documents say the children in the photos were under age 13.

On Tuesday, authorities executed a search warrant in the 2600 block of Hooker Avenue in Rockford. During the search, numerous images of child sex abuse were recovered.

Broughton is currently lodged in the Winnebago County jail without bond.

<https://www.wifr.com/2022/09/20/rockford-man-held-without-bond-images-child-sex-abuse/>

Cullman man arrested for computer tampering; total of 21 counts of child pornography

By: Noah Galilee
March 3, 2022

CULLMAN, Ala. – On Tuesday, March 2, the Cullman County Sheriff's Office arrested 36-year-old Cullman resident Brian Thomas Kongslien on multiple warrants, including a total of 21 counts of child pornography.

Cullman Sheriff Matt Gentry said, "Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested Brian Thomas Kongslien (36) of Cullman on multiple warrants. He was arrested at the Cullman County Detention Center. The charges stem from a collaborative investigation between Cullman County Sheriff's Office Investigators and ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children)."

Gentry stated the work between investigators helped lead to the arrest of Kongslien. "Our Investigators do an outstanding job working with various agencies in order to get the job done. This arrest is a great example. Through our joint efforts, this individual was arrested for 21 sex offense charges," said Gentry.

Kongslien was charged with:

- tampering with physical evidence
- criminal computer tampering
- possession of child pornography (19 counts)

Kongslien has bonded out of the Cullman County Detention Center.

<https://www.cullmantribune.com/2022/03/03/cullman-man-arrested-for-computer-tampering-total-of-21-counts-of-child-pornography/>

Man sentenced to 25 years for child porn

By: Amanda Barber, Will Carroll

Jun 10, 2022

CHARLESTON, WV (WOWK) — A Charleston man was sentenced on Friday to 25 years in prison for producing child pornography.

In February, Brian Wayne Shaffer, 51, admitted he used his cellphone to photograph a minor's genitalia. The child was below the age of puberty.

Shaffer further confessed he used the cellphone to upload the photo and send it to someone else. Shaffer also admitted he uploaded the photo using his Gmail on Aug. 24, 2021.

The investigation was overseen by the U.S. Homeland Security, the West Virginia State Police, and the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

The case was prosecuted as part of Project Safe Childhood, an effort by the Department of Justice to fight child exploitation and abuse. The project uses federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute child predators and identify and rescue victims.

Shaffer must register as a sex offender and will have supervised release for the rest of his life after his sentence is served.

<https://www.wowktv.com/news/man-sentenced-to-25-years-for-child-porn/>

Former Polk County Firefighter arrested for possession of child pornography

Media Contact: Alicia Manautou, PIO
AUG 10, 2022

Polk County Sheriff's Office Computer Crimes detectives arrested Polk County Fire Rescue (PCFR) Captain Brian Steger (40-years-old) for 25 counts possession of child pornography - enhanced* (F2) and one count promotion of child pornography (F2), after a tip was received by PCSO detectives and they responded to Polk county Fire Station #26 in Lake Wales to investigate. Steger resigned his employment in lieu of termination.

At around 9:00 p.m. on August 7, 2022 detectives arrived at the fire station where 40-year-old Brian Steger was currently on duty. Steger told detectives he had set up an internet account in his name at the fire station for his personal use. When detectives located Steger's personal computer, it was actively downloading pornography files. During an on-scene preview of his electronic devices, detectives found 25 files of enhanced pornography, depicting children as young as five years old being sexually battered. All of his devices were seized and will be examined - if any additional files containing child pornography are found, he will be charged accordingly.

"One of the most important kinds of investigations we do is identifying those who are distributing child pornography. Those who download, view, and exchange these terrible images and videos fuel the market for exploitative images that are dependent upon the continued and ongoing sexual abuse of children. I appreciate the hard work our detectives do to locate and charge those in Polk County who download child sex abuse images and videos. The fact that the person we arrested is a public servant is especially troubling—we will make sure he is held accountable for his actions." – Grady Judd, Sheriff

Steger is currently in the Polk County Jail and has no bond. He was hired by PCFR in 2003. Please direct any inquiries about his employment to Polk County Fire Rescue.

*enhanced child pornography meets one of the following criteria:

- A child who is younger than 5 years old
- Sadomasochistic abuse involving a child
- Sexual battery of a child
- Sexual bestiality involving a child
- Any movie involving a child, regardless of length

<https://www.polksheriff.org/news-investigations/polk-county-news/2022/08/10/former-polk-county-firefighter-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography>

Republic man arrested for child pornography

JUN 16, 2022

REPUBLIC — The Michigan State Police (MSP) Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force said they have arrested Brian Albert Suomi, 60 of Republic, for child sexually abusive material.

The investigation began when a tip was received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). A search of Suomi's home netted evidence including multiple internet capable devices.

Suomi was charged with 12 counts of child sexually abusive material and 12 counts of using computers to commit a crime. Suomi was arraigned in 96th District court on June 10.

If convicted, Suomi faces up to 20 years in prison for each count of child sexually abusive activity as well as 20 years in prison for each count of using a computer to commit a crime.

The MSP Computer Crimes Unit encourages parents to speak to their children about the safe use of the internet. There are many resources available to parents to assist in keeping children safe online. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a comprehensive list of resources on their website at [HYPERLINK "http://www.missingkids.org"](http://www.missingkids.org) <http://www.missingkids.org>. The MSP ICAC Task

<https://www.dailypress.net/news/local-news/2022/06/republic-man-arrested-for-child-pornography/>

Fairfield County Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson
September 07, 2022

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Brian Duncan Welsh, 36, of Ridgeway, SC, on two charges connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Attorney General's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office, U.S. Secret Service, and Homeland Security Investigations, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with this investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Welsh. Investigators state Welsh distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Welsh was arrested on August 31, 2022. He is charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

<https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/fairfield-county-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-1/>

Decatur man charged with having obscene material

Michael Wetzel, The Decatur Daily, Ala.
January 28, 2022

Decatur man is in Morgan County Jail after being charged with five counts of possession of obscene matter, according to Decatur police.

The Decatur Police Department's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit began an investigation on Jan. 20 and developed Brian Young Jr., 23, as a suspect.

A search of his residence uncovered the obscene matter on an electronic device, according to police.

According to a Decatur police affidavit, Detective Jodi Fuller received a Cyber-Tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that child pornography videos were stored in a Dropbox account. Dropbox provided the IP address used to open the account. Charter, responding to a subpoena, identified Young as the account owner.

His bail has been set at \$12,500.

<https://sports.yahoo.com/decaturn-man-charged-having-obscene-000600585.html>

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Chambersburg man charged with possession of child pornography

By: George Stockburger

Jun 27, 2022

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa. (WHTM) – A Chambersburg man has been charged with possessing child pornography after an investigation by the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office.

According to a criminal complaint obtained from the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office, in May 2020 a special agent with the Attorney General's Child Predator Section received a tip that 76 sexually explicit child pornography films were uploaded to Dropbox by user "Ana D."

The special agent reported that 49 of the files depicted children under the age of 18 engaging in sexual acts and or poses. Additional files were received after being uploaded by the same user in June, July, and December 2020.

A search warrant was approved in September 2020 and 135 files of child pornography were reported by Dropbox in the user's account.

The IP address and emails from Dropbox, Comcast, and Google were traced to the home of Brice Williams of Chambersburg.

On May 21, 2022, the Attorney General's office received updated intel on the residence and said, according to the social media, Williams performed as a drag queen using the name "Anastasia Diamond," which was consistent with the emails used.

On June 22, 2022, a search warrant was executed at Williams' home in Chambersburg. According to the criminal complaint, Williams initially told officials they had viewed child pornography but had never downloaded, uploaded, or sought it.

Law enforcement reviewed a cellphone found in Williams' bedroom and recovered at least 25 video files of child pornography "depicting indecent contact and/or prepubescent." Additional files were located on an older cellphone.

After being confronted with the evidence located on the devices, the special agent says Williams "admitted that he searched for, possessed, and shared child

pornography” after first seeing it on a messaging app in 2014. Williams stated using cloud-based storage applications to send and receive files and links with other individuals online, according to the criminal complaint.

Additional electronic items were transported for a complete forensic analysis.

Williams was charged with 25 counts of sexual abuse of children (possession of child pornography) and one count of criminal use of a communication facility.

Williams was transported to the Franklin County Prison on June 23 and held on \$100,000 bail.

Williams is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on July 5 in Franklin County Central Court.

<https://www.abc27.com/news/local/chambersburg-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/#:~:text=Williams%20was%20charged%20with%2025,and%20held%20on%20%24100%2C000%20bail.>

POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ARREST

PRESS RELEASE

Monday September 26, 2022

(Etowah County, Alabama), According to Sheriff Jonathon Horton 3 men were arrested on Possession of Child Pornography on Thursday September 22, 2022 from the result of a round up.

Etowah County, Leesburg, and Cedar Bluff, Rainbow City Investigators which are on the State of Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) performed a round up and search warrants of 3 different homes and suspects on September 22, 2022.

Logan Lee Jolley, 25 of Gadsden was arrested and charged with 11 counts of Possession of Child pornography and Dissemination of obscene matter. Several devices were searched during the search warrant with only his phone being taken. Jolley admitted to receiving and sending child pornography. Jolley is being held on a \$270,000 cash bond.

Christopher Jay Dowdy, 55 of Gadsden was arrested and charged with 10 counts of Possession of Child Pornography. Several devices were taken from his residence with the possibility of child pornography. Dowdy is being held on a \$200,000 cash bond.

Bruce Alan Mize, 18 of Stevenson Al, was arrested and charged with 11 counts of Possession of Child Pornography. Mize admitted to downloading, sending, and selling child pornography on the internet. Mize is being held on a \$220,000 property bond. Jolley, Dowdy, and Mize have the same bond conditions which consist of no internet, smart phones, no contact with anyone under 18 years old, and to be supervised by Etowah County Community Corrections once released. There will possibly be more charges on all 3 suspects.

https://www.etowahcountysheriff.com/press_view.php?id=46

Jefferson City man charged with possession of child pornography

By Gloria Enloe

Jun 27, 2022

A Jefferson City man is charged with possession of child pornography after investigators received a tip about images saved on his Cloud account.

Bruno Puleo, 20, is charged with one count of possession of child pornography. He's scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon.

According to court records, the Boone County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Task Force received information from Verizon in February that a user had apparent child sexual abuse material on their account. Investigators say they found more than 20 still images of girls between the ages of 8 and 12 on the account.

On Thursday, members of the Task Force and the Cole County Sheriff's Office searched Puleo's home. Investigators say Puleo admitted that he had pornography files on his phone but wouldn't allow access to his phone. Several items were seized from the home and will be examined.

http://www.kjluradio.com/newsroom/jefferson-city-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/article_b6a26a0a-f634-11ec-ba3c-5bc50610e6b7.html

State police arrest Rockford man on child pornography charges

By: John Clark

Feb 15, 2022

ROCKFORD, Ill. (WTVO) — The Illinois State Police have arrested Bryan Gilson, 36, on 10 counts of child pornography.

According to the ISP, officers from multiple law enforcement agencies raided Gilson's home in the 1500 block of Barton Boulevard on Tuesday, following an investigation into child pornography.

Police said investigators seized evidence at Gilson's home that included images of children under 13 years of age.

Gilson is being held at the Winnebago County Jail.

[https://www.mystateline.com/news/local-news/state-police-arrest-rockford-man-on-child-pornography-charges/#:~:text=\(WTVO\)%20%E2%80%94%20The%20Illinois%20State,an%20investigation%20into%20child%20pornography](https://www.mystateline.com/news/local-news/state-police-arrest-rockford-man-on-child-pornography-charges/#:~:text=(WTVO)%20%E2%80%94%20The%20Illinois%20State,an%20investigation%20into%20child%20pornography)

Flowery Branch man arrested on child pornography charges

By Austin Eller News Director

Thursday 28th July 2022

A man from Flowery Branch was arrested Wednesday on a series of charges related to child pornography.

B.J. Williams, public information officer with the Hall County Sheriff's Office, said Bryan Keith Turner, 22, was charged with four felony counts of sexual exploitation of children.

Turner is accused of uploading multiple sexually explicit photos of children to his Google Photos account. He also allegedly shared the photos.

The crimes reportedly happened on Jan. 27, 2022, and Feb. 23, 2022.

Turner remained in the Hall County Jail as of Thursday morning.

<https://accesswdun.com/article/2022/7/1120187/flowery-branch-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-1>

Chandlerville man arrested for distributing child porn

By WICS Staff

Tuesday, March 22nd 2022

CHANDLERVILLE, Ill. (WICS) — A man from Chandlerville is facing criminal charges after investigators said they discovered the suspect was reportedly distributing child pornography.

Bryce A. Eilers, 20, is charged with one count of dissemination of child pornography (Class 1 Felony, and one count of possession of child pornography (Class 2 Felony).

In May 2021, agents in the criminal division of the Illinois State Police began an investigation after learning a Eilers was reportedly distributing child pornography through social media.

On Monday, Eilers was arrested and taken to the Morgan County Jail. His bond is set at \$100,000 with 10% to apply.

Anyone with information concerning this case is asked to contact ISP Zone 4 Investigations at (217) 782-4750. Anonymous tips of child pornography can also be reported through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) cyber tip line at www.cybertipline.com.

<https://newschannel20.com/news/local/chandlerville-man-arrested-for-distributing-child-porn>

Police: Mooresville man used Snapchat to distribute child porn

By: Matt Christy

Jan 13, 2022

MOORESVILLE, Ind. — A Mooresville man is under arrest for possession and distribution of child pornography.

Bryson Morris, 20, faces multiple felony charges and has been booked into the Morgan County Jail.

According to Indiana State Police, Morris was arrested on Thursday morning by state troopers and the Internet Crimes Against Children task force.

Police said the investigation that led to Morris's arrest began in October 2021 when police received a cyber tip about suspected child pornography being sent from one Snapchat account to another. A search of the Snapchat account uncovered four more instances where child pornography had been sent, police said.

Morris was identified as the suspect in the case and a search warrant was obtained for his electronics. This led to investigators uncovering more images of child pornography.

<https://cbs4indy.com/news/indycrime/police-mooresville-man-used-snapchat-to-distribute-child-porn/>

ALMA MAN ARRESTED ON CHILD PORN CHARGES

By Randy Kirby Published: September 9, 2022

The Missouri State Highway Patrol arrested 20-year-old **Caedon T. Bergman** of Alma at 4:13 p.m. Thursday in Johnson County.

He was arrested on suspicion of felony 1st degree promoting child pornography, felony possession of child pornography (video), second offense.

Bergman was taken to the Johnson County Jail, where he was booked at 8:27 p.m., on a 24-hour hold with no bond.

[https://ksisradio.com/alma-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/#:~:text=The%20Missouri%20State%20Highway%20Patrol,\(video\)%2C%20second%20offense](https://ksisradio.com/alma-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/#:~:text=The%20Missouri%20State%20Highway%20Patrol,(video)%2C%20second%20offense)

19-Year-Old Gaston County Man Charged For Possession Of Child Porn

By Brittney Melton

May 17, 2022

GASTON COUNTY, N.C. — A 19-year-old Lowell man is facing multiple charges for possession of child pornography, according to police.

A cyber-crime tip received from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force initiated the investigation.

Gaston County Police, assisted by Homeland Security Investigations and the NC State Bureau of Investigation, served a search warrant at Caleb Keaton's residence and seized electronic devices belonging to him on Tuesday. Through an examination of the devices, authorities discovered hundreds of images and videos of child pornography.

Keaton was arrested and charged with six felony counts of 2nd degree sexual exploitation of a child and six felony counts of 3rd degree sexual exploitation of a child, police say.

He is currently incarcerated in the Gaston County Jail and being held on a \$250,000 secured bond.

The investigation continues and anyone with any further information is asked to contact Det. M. Rheinson at 704-866-3320 or Crimestoppers at 704-861-8000.

<https://www.wccbcharlotte.com/2022/05/17/19-year-old-gaston-county-man-charged-for-possession-of-child-porn/>

Man accused of sex crimes involving children in High Point Walmart faces new charges by Randolph County Sheriff's Office

By: Dolan Reynolds

Posted: Oct 10, 2022

RANDOLPH COUNTY, N.C. (WGHP) — A man has been charged with multiple felony counts of sexually exploiting a minor, according to a Randolph County Sheriff's Office news release.

On Aug. 2, detectives with the RCSO received a cyber-tip that a registered sex offender, Caleb Michael Bowers, 24, had accessed pornography online.

RCSO detectives worked with a Sex Offender Registry detective and made inquiries about Bowers' registered online identifiers.

Detectives tried to find Bowers at his home multiple times but were unsuccessful. He was eventually found on Aug, 11 by detectives and probation officers.

Bowers' electronic devices were seized, and additional unregistered online identifiers were located on the devices.

A warrant for Bowers was issued for five counts of felony failing to inform the sheriff of online identifiers as required by law.

Bowers was served without incident and also served with a warrant for felony probation violation.

He received a \$95,000 total secured bond.

On Friday, additional charges were issued against Bowers for ten counts of felony sexual exploitation of a minor/second-degree.

The magistrate issued an additional \$150,000 secured bond.

In 2018, Bowers, a former Walmart employee, was accused of sex crimes at the store involving children.

The suspect first approached a 12-year-old boy in the electronics section of the Walmart at 2628 South Main St. on Jan. 27, 2018, according to a High Point police press release.

On March 31, police said the suspect approached a 10-year-old boy in the same store's toy section.

Police said the suspect approached both children while they were unattended, talked to them and then the criminal acts occurred.

<https://myfox8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/man-accused-of-sexually-assaulting-children-in-high-point-walmart-faces-new-charges-by-randolph-county-sheriffs-office/>

Two Florida Men Busted By Computer Crimes Detectives For Child Porn

Local - Liz Shultz
April 21, 2022

POLK COUNTY, FL. – Detectives from the Polk County Sheriff’s Office Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) arrested two suspects for possession of child pornography after receiving tips from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children (NCMEC) that the suspects were possibly transmitting or downloading the harmful images and videos.

Detectives served search warrants at the suspects’ houses and seized all of their digital devices for further analysis. The images did not appear to depict local Polk County children, but the investigation is ongoing to identify them.

During the more extensive forensic analysis of their devices, it’s possible the suspects will be additionally charged if more images and/or videos are found.

“We partner with NCMEC to keep children safe, but it’s those who are online, who see something and say something, who are the real front line of defense. We rely on you to send tips to law enforcement and NCMEC so that we can follow up and conduct an investigation. Please, if you see something while you are online or on mobile apps, say something. Contact your local law enforcement agency or go to NCMEC’s CyberTipline at <https://report.cybertip.org/> to report suspicious online activity” said Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd.

60-year-old Kenneth Lester Kaufman of Lake Wales was arrested and charged with two counts possession of child pornography (F3) after detectives served a search warrant at his home following up on a NCMEC tip.

During a preview of his electronic devices, detectives found two images depicting child pornography of females between the ages of 9 and 12 years old. He told detectives he is an IT manager for Auvidatel, Inc. in Winter Haven.

He was booked into the Polk County Jail on April 18, 2022 and is being held in lieu of \$30,000 bond (\$15,000 per charge). His criminal history includes previous arrests for burglary with assault, and non-payment of child support.

18-year-old Calvert Green of Mulberry was arrested and charged with one count possession of child pornography (F3) after detectives served a search warrant at his home following up on a NCMEC tip.

During a preview of his electronic devices, detectives found a video depicting a child between the ages of 10 and 12 years old being sexually battered by an adult. He was booked into the Polk County Jail on April 20, 2022 and is awaiting a first appearance hearing.

<https://www.tampafp.com/two-florida-men-busted-by-computer-crimes-detectives-for-child-porn/>

Oglesby man arrested for dissemination of child pornography

By: Sean Lisitza

Jan 25, 2022

LASALLE COUNTY, Ill. (WMBD) — An Oglesby man was arrested for child pornography charges Tuesday.

According to a press release from the LaSalle County Sheriff, Adam Diss, 22-year-old Carl C. Coriell was arrested in his residence after a several-month child pornography investigation.

Coriell was found to be in possession of child pornography files that he disseminated to others on the internet.

He will be charged with possession and dissemination of child pornography, and a charge of criminal damage to state-supported property from an incident in the jail upon intake.

Coriell will go before a judge Wednesday morning, where his bond will be set.

<https://www.centralillinoisproud.com/news/local-news/oglesby-man-arrested-for-dissemination-of-child-pornography/>

Man arrested on child porn possession charges in Farmington, Mo.

By Marsha Heller

Jul. 1, 2022

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (KFVS) - An investigation by the Missouri State Highway Patrol Division of Drug and Crime Control's Digital Forensics Investigative Unit leads to the arrest of a Farmington man.

Investigators said they found and seized child pornography and a cell phone when they searched a home on the 100 block of Garson Lane in Farmington on Wednesday, June 29.

MSHP said Carl Hart, 36, was arrested at the home.

Hart was charged with three counts of possession of child pornography.

<https://www.kfvs12.com/2022/07/01/man-arrested-child-porn-possession-charges-farmington-mo/>

Montco Man Previously Convicted Of Child Porn Arrested Again

Carl Wisniewski, 33, is charged with possessing child pornography. He was previously convicted in Bucks County of the same crime.

By Jon Campisi
April 28, 2022

HATBORO, PA — A Montgomery County man who was convicted a decade ago on charges of possessing child pornography was arrested again this month and charged with similar counts.

Carl Wisniewski, 33, of Hatboro, was arrested on suspicion of child pornography charges more than 10 years after he pleaded guilty to similar crimes in neighboring Bucks County.

Wisniewski was arrested on April 6 and charged with 100 felony child pornography counts as well as additional felony counts of disseminating photos and videos of children in sexual acts and criminal use of communications facility, court records and police charging documents said.

Wisniewski was arraigned on April 13 before Magisterial District Judge Maurice Saylor, who set bail at \$50,000 cash.

Bail review subsequently reduced bail to \$25,000, and Wisniewski was released from custody after he posted 10 percent of the bail, according to the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office.

Conditions of bail were that Wisniewski agreed to refrain from using the internet and that he surrender all computers.

Wisniewski pleaded guilty to two felony child porn possession counts in 2011 in Bucks County, according to court records. Bucks County Common Pleas Court Judge Jeffrey Finley sentenced Wisniewski to up to 36 months of probation, which was satisfied by the summer of 2013, a docket sheet said.

In the most recent case, authorities were tipped off to Wisniewski via a cybertip from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children, according to the criminal complaint filed by investigator Rick Beaghley, who is an Abington Township police

detective sworn as a special county detective with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The center said it received a report from the electronic service provider Discord Inc. that an image file was shared by a Discord user on its chat platform that purported to show child pornography.

Police subsequently traced the IP address of the internet user to Wisniewski.

Beagley said in the criminal complaint that he reviewed the digital file and determined that it was child pornography, as it depicted a female child approximately 8 years of age naked and in a sexual pose.

A second digital file associated with Wisniewski's IP address showed two underage girls around 11 years old, naked and in sexual situations, the complaint said.

Police searched Wisniewski's house on March 3, police said. He was subsequently interviewed and said he uploaded the images of child pornography to the internet, according to the criminal complaint.

Police found 146 image files and 15 video files depicting children under the age of 18 engaged in various sexual acts on Wisniewski's computer, the complaint said.

<https://patch.com/pennsylvania/horsham/montco-man-previously-convicted-child-porn-re-arrested-same>

Hialeah Man Arrested on Multiple Counts of Child Pornography Possession

According to an arrest report, police went to Carlos Gacita's home following an investigation involving child porn being downloaded from the internet

By NBC 6 • Published
January 21, 2022

Police arrested a Hialeah man for allegedly possessing over a dozen images of child pornography, with some images of girls under the age of six.

33-year-old Carlos Gacita was arrested Thursday and charged with 14 counts of possession of child pornography.

According to an arrest report, police went to Gacita's home following an investigation involving child porn being downloaded from the internet.

Police found 14 separate videos on Gacita's computer, including two showing a girl under the age of six being sexually assaulted by an adult man.

Gacita was taken into custody and later released on bond. Police did not say if any children were in his home at the time of the arrest.

<https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/hialeah-man-arrested-on-multiple-counts-of-child-pornography-possession/2666062/>

Providence man charged with 14 felonies in child pornography case

By Jacob Scholl, KSL.com

Jan. 26, 2022

LOGAN — A Cache County man faces over a dozen felonies accusing him of possessing child pornography.

Chad Hubbard, 38, of Providence, was charged Wednesday with 14 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony.

An investigation began in April 2021 when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a tip from Yahoo that a suspected child pornography file was shared on an email account. Logan police later began an investigation, with police viewing the files and confirming it was child pornography.

The name on the email account was Hubbard's, and investigators later found that a Utah phone number was listed in the Yahoo email account, according to a police booking affidavit, and an IP address listed in the email account was registered to Hubbard. Yahoo later provided investigators access to the email account, where they reported finding child porn files.

Investigators served a search warrant on Hubbard's home Tuesday, where they allegedly found a USB drive containing some of Hubbard's personal information which police say was found on the email account with the illegal material. Police also reported finding dozens of child porn videos on the drive, the affidavit states.

Police searched Hubbard's phone and discovered "over 800 images" of children in minimal clothing, with many of the images containing nudity, according to charging documents.

Hubbard later spoke to police and said he had been locked out of his Yahoo email account, and he denied being in possession of child pornography, the affidavit says.

Hubbard was booked into the Cache County Jail where he is being held without bail.

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50335850/providence-man-charged-with-14-felonies-in-child-pornography-case>

Naples man arrested on multiple counts of possessing child porn

By NBC2 News
Fri August 12, 2022

NAPLES, Fla. – The Florida Department of Law Enforcement arrested a Naples man after he was found in possession of child pornography.

Chandler Christian Jones, 26, faces ten counts of possession of child sexual abuse material. The charges were enhanced from third-degree to second-degree felony charges due to the number of images and the actions depicted in those images.

FDLE agents made the arrest following forensic examinations of Jones' smartphone led to the discovery of images and videos of children involved in sex acts. Jones turned himself in at the Collier County Jail, where he was subsequently booked. His bond was set at \$100,000.

<https://nbc-2.com/news/crime/2022/08/10/naples-man-arrested-on-multiple-counts-of-possessing-child-porn/>

Man arrested on 'sexual exploitation of a minor' charges in Summerville

By: Tim Renaud

Jan 28, 2022

SUMMERVILLE, S.C. (WCBD) – A 46-year-old man has been arrested for possessing child pornography.

Charles Dale Decker was arrested after detectives with the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at his home Thursday morning in Summerville.

Decker has been charged with three counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, according to the sheriff's office.

Bond was set at \$75,000. He remains in custody at the Dorchester County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the South Carolina Attorney General's Office.

<https://www.counton2.com/news/local-news/man-arrested-on-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor-charges-in-summerville/>

50+ Sexual Exploitation Charges Lodged against Taylorsville Man

Rob Eastwood NEWS

May 9, 2022

56-year-old Charles Henson Gates of Taylorsville has been arrested by Alexander County Sheriff's Officers. He's charged with 50 felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and one felony count of first-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. The charges were filed last Thursday and Friday (May 5 & 6).

Events leading to Gates' arrest began on March 28 when the Sheriff's Office took a report regarding possible child pornography that had been uploaded from an I.P. address in the northeastern part of Alexander County. The tip was received from the Internet Crimes Against Children (I.C.A.C.) task-force.

A search warrant was executed on the online account. Investigators learned that Charles Henson Gates was uploading the videos. On May 5, the Sheriff's Office, the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation (S.B.I.), and Taylorsville Police executed a search warrant at Gates' residence. Several electronic devices were seized. Gates was interviewed by Sheriff's Detectives and Investigators with the S.B.I. He was charged and placed under arrest following his interview.

Bond for Gates was initially set at \$1,000,000, secured. On Friday, bond was increased to \$2,500,000, secured. He remained in jail as of earlier today (May 9). An appearance in Alexander County District Court was scheduled today in Taylorsville.

<https://whky.com/more-than-50-sexual-exploitation-charges-lodged-against-taylorsville-man/>

74-year-old Norwood man arrested on child porn charges

by WKRC

Friday, June 24th, 2022

CINCINNATI (WKRC) - A 74-year-old Norwood man was arraigned Friday on child pornography charges.

Charles Williams was targeted by the Regional Electronics and Computer Investigations Unit, according to court papers.

He's accused of possessing pictures or video involving 4-year-old girls.

His attorney said there's no reports of any actual contact with a child and asked for a low bond.

Assistant prosecutor David Wood disagreed, calling details of the "deviant" material "too graphic to read out loud".

A judge set bond at \$300,000. Williams is not allowed to have any internet capabilities if he posts 10 percent bond to get out of jail. He'll also have to wear an electronic monitoring device.

<https://local12.com/news/local/74-year-old-norwood-man-arrested-child-porn-charges-cincinnati-ohio-regional-electronics-computer-internet-charles-williams-arrest-crime>

Corning man charged with 20 child porn felonies

by: Carl Aldinger
Oct 21, 2022

CORNING, N.Y. (WETM) – A Corning man is facing 20 felony charges in connection to a child pornography investigation last spring, according to police.

Charles Woodrow, 47, was arrested by New York State Police on October 20, 2022 in connection to the case. NYSP said that Troopers received a cyber tip in April 2022 that Woodrow was downloading and uploading sex acts of children.

After issuing a warrant, police scanned Woodrow's computer and other devices for obscene material.

Woodrow was then indicted by a Steuben County Grand Jury on October 10, police said. He was charged with 10 counts of Promoting Obscene Sexual Performance of a Child under 17 and 10 counts of Possession of Obscene Sexual Performance of a Child. He is currently in the Steuben County Jail.

<https://www.mytwintiers.com/crime/corning-man-charged-with-20-child-porn-felonies/>

Fort Myers police arrest man accused of possessing, transmitting child pornography

Updated: September 11, 2022

FORT MYERS

Fort Myers police have arrested a man they say was sharing child porn on the Kik app. Charles David Hughes faces 10 counts of possession of child pornography and two counts of transmission of child pornography. He was arrested on Thursday, according to the Fort Myers Police Department.

Police said they received a tip from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children concerning the distribution and possession of child porn that was discovered by the Kik application regarding one of their subscribers.

The account belonged to Hughes, police said.

Search warrants for the various Kik accounts were obtained, which resulted in the execution of a residential search warrant, police said. Multiple electronic devices were seized during the residential search warrant. Homeland Security Investigations provided forensic support with the examination of the seized devices.

Police said Hughes has numerous images and videos depicting child pornography on his electronic devices. Some video files included children younger than five years old. Hughes remains in Lee County Jail.

In the spirit of transparency, Hughes worked briefly at WINK nearly two years ago.

<https://www.winknews.com/2022/09/09/fort-myers-police-arrest-man-accused-of-possessing-transmitting-child-pornography/>

Nazareth area man shared images, videos of child porn, state police say

By Pamela Sroka-Holzmann
Feb. 21, 2022

An 18-year-old Bushkill Township man is facing child pornography possession charges after a months-long investigation by the Pennsylvania State Police.

Chase Lee Shoemaker, of Orville Road, is charged with dissemination of photos of child sex acts, possessing child pornography, and criminal use of a communication facility, all felonies, police say.

State police on Feb. 1 received eight cybertips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children indicating someone was uploading child pornography to a Google Photos server, court records say. Google additionally made eight reports from Jan. 18 to Jan. 20 indicating 371 videos and images were being uploaded by a user named "Chas Shoemaker" and included a cellphone number, email address, and birth date of the user, according to court records.

Google provided in its cybertips the user's log-in information and upload IP address, as well as the dates of the time of the log-ins, uploaded files, and copies of the files, court records state.

In July 2020, state police also received a cybertip report from Snapchat for images being uploaded by a user named "chasheshoemaker1" with the same email address, phone number, and birthdate, according to court records. An interview was conducted in September 2020 with Shoemaker and his father on the same cellphone, court records say.

Authorities served a search warrant Feb. 8 on Shoemaker's home, in which they seized an iPhone 13, according to court records. Investigators found on Shoemaker's iPhone allegedly contained 1,870 files of "age difficult" individuals involved in sex acts and 1,929 apparent child pornography images and videos, according to court records.

Shoemaker in an interview with police allegedly admitted to viewing child pornography for about a year and stated after watching it once, it became a "habit," court records show.

Shoemaker was arraigned this past Friday before District Judge Douglas Schlegel, who set bail at \$50,000 unsecured. Shoemaker is due back in court for a preliminary hearing tentatively scheduled for 9 a.m. March 10.

Thomas Michael Joachim, the attorney listed as representing Shoemaker, could not immediately reached for comment Monday evening.

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/news/2022/02/nazareth-area-man-shared-images-videos-of-child-porn-state-police-say.html#:~:text=Chase%20Lee%20Shoemaker%2C%20of%20Orville,%2C%20all%20felonies%2C%20police%20say>

McClure gets 15-year sentence for possessing child sexual abuse materials, weapon under disability

Zanesville Times Recorder
July 5, 2022

ZANESVILLE — A 35-year-old Zanesville man was sentenced to 15 to 18-and-a-half years in prison last week for possessing child sexual abuse materials and a weapon while under disability.

Child sexual abuse materials includes any type of image or video showing a child being sexually abused, according to a press release from the Muskingum County Prosecutor's Office.

Chaz McClure pleaded guilty to a prosecutor's bill of information containing a pair of second-degree felony counts of pandering obscenity involving a child.

He also pleaded guilty to additional charges filed as a result of the child sexual abuse materials investigation, including one third-degree felony count of having a weapon under disability, one first-degree misdemeanor count of falsification and one minor misdemeanor count of possession of marijuana.

Child sexual abuse materials is the term replacing child pornography. Child protection organizations, abuse survivors, prosecutors, law enforcement and child advocates all agree that the use of the term pornography implies consent, and a child cannot consent to being used in the production of child sexual abuse materials. Child sexual abuse materials includes any type of image or video showing a child being sexually abused, the release stated.

According to detectives from the Zanesville Police Department, the investigation into McClure began with information from Snap Inc. and the Internet Crimes Against Children taskforce that child sexual abuse materials were uploaded publicly on Snapchat from a user account on two separate occasions.

Both videos were uploaded in December 2021.

Investigators traced the Snapchat account back to McClure in Zanesville through a series of search warrants.

During a traffic stop made by the Zanesville Police Department in May for a traffic violation, McClure informed police he moved to a new address in Dresden. Two days later, officers executed a search warrant at McClure's home where they seized the defendant's electronic devices. These electronic devices contained the two videos of children under the age of 10 being sexually assaulted that resulted in these charges and sentence.

Police also located drugs, drug paraphernalia and a firearm in the home.

"The videos that the defendant possessed are not just videos of some unknown child. The videos are lasting recordings of children being raped that will exist forever on the internet. Some people argue that the child sexual abuse materials are just pictures or videos of someone else violating a child, but the person that seeks out this material creates a market for the images and needs punished just like the person making the materials," Muskingum County Prosecutor Ron Welch said in the press release.

In addition to McClure's prison sentence, he must also register as a Tier II sex offender every 180 days for a period of 25 years.

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/mcclure-gets-15-sentence-possessing-223703972.html>

Cheyenne Burke arrested for multiple counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child

By (Cristian Sida) Sheriff's Office

May. 4, 2022

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. (KJCT) - On May 3, Cheyenne Burke, 25, of Clifton, was arrested for multiple counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child.

Mesa County Sheriff's Office states Burke is accused of possessing child pornography, including pictures and videos, and distributing the material on social media platforms.

According to MCSO, Burke was arrested on the following charges:

Sexual Exploitation of a Child- Distributing Sexual Exploitative Material (F3)

Sexual Exploitation of a Child- Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material (F4)

Sexual Exploitation of a Child- Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material (F5)

Deputies located Burke, arrested and booked him into the Mesa County Detention Facility.

<https://www.kjct8.com/2022/05/04/clifton-man-charged-multiple-counts-sexual-exploitation-child/>

PC man facing 50-plus child pornography charges

January 9, 2022 at 12:00 a.m.

A Union County man faces more than 50 counts of child pornography possession charges in an ongoing investigation by the El Dorado Police Department.

Within the past several days, Chris W. Husbands, 41, of Parkers Chapel, has been arrested twice and had two appearances in 35th Judicial District Court on two rounds of felony charges -- 13 counts each for a total of 52 -- for allegedly possessing child porn.

During first appearance hearings on Jan. 5 and Jan. 7 in district court, Husbands was issued and subsequently released on two cash or corporate surety bonds of \$50,000 each.

He was initially arrested Dec. 28 for computer exploitation of a child, computer child pornography, transmitting/distributing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, and distribution, possession and viewing of matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

The Union County Sheriff's Office assisted with the arrest.

A bond hearing was held at some point following the arrest and Husbands was released from the Union County Jail.

He appeared in district court on Jan. 5 to face the charges stemming from the Dec. 28 arrest and was issued a \$50,000 bond and a daily curfew of 7 p.m. until 7 a.m.

Following his first appearance in district court, Husbands was again taken into custody, this time on 12 counts each of the same charges that were levied during his initial arrest.

He was brought back before district court Judge Jack Barker on Jan. 7 on the second batch of charges.

Barker issued another \$50,000, cash or corporate surety bond, maintained the daily curfew and ordered Husbands to wear a GPS ankle monitor at the defendant's own expense.

Husbands was also barred from possessing or using any devices with access to the Internet or Wi-Fi service.

Husbands was accompanied by his attorney, Gary McDonald, during his district court appearances. McDonald declined to comment on the case.

El Dorado police have released few details about the case, citing the ongoing investigation and saying that the probe into the matter is fluid.

Police also declined to answer questions about what sparked the investigation or how Husbands was developed as a suspect.

Homicide investigation

Police are still working to identify a suspect the murder of an El Dorado woman whose body was found inside her apartment last month.

Capt. Scott Harwell said a preliminary report from the Arkansas State Crime Laboratory in Little Rock confirmed what investigators already knew: that the manner of death was homicide for 57-year-old Carolyn Richards.

Harwell said investigators are awaiting a full autopsy report to determine the cause of death.

Richards was found dead on the morning of Dec. 8 inside her residence at Haygood-Neal Garden Apartments, 1315 W. First St., Apt. 47.

At 7:53 a.m., officers responded to a report of a possible homicide at the residence and discovered a macabre and "brutal" crime scene.

Police have said a relative called 911, noting that the family had been unable to reach Richards and had gone to Richards's apartment to conduct a welfare check.

Harwell said it appeared that Richards had been dead for several hours and that she had last spoken to a relative by phone at approximately 7 p.m. Dec. 7.

<https://www.eldoradonews.com/news/2022/jan/09/pc-man-facing-50-plus-child-pornography-charges/>

Arizona man accused of having child porn on his phone, police investigators say

By Kenneth Wong

May 18, 2022

PHOENIX - Phoenix Police investigators say they have arrested a 39-year-old man for allegedly having explicit material showing sexual activities involving children.

According to court documents, **Christian Paul Lacheta** was arrested on May 17.

Investigators say an investigation into Lacheta began in late January, when an electronic service provider reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a user with the name Christian Lacheta uploaded several images of child sexual exploitation, using a residential IP address.

Subsequently, investigators say search warrants were served on the electronic service provider and the IP address, and a search warrant was served at Lacheta's home on May 17.

"Post Miranda, Christian admitted having the account that was originally reported," read a portion of the court documents. "He admitted that the e-mail associated with the account is his only e-mail and stated that no one else uses the Wi-Fi at their residence except for him and his wife. Christian did not answer any questions regarding the child sexual exploitation images within the account."

Court documents included graphic descriptions of at least some of the materials in question, which were found on his cell phone.

Lacheta, according to investigators, is facing multiple counts of sexual exploitations of minor. A judge has set a \$75,000 secured appearance bond for Lacheta. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 26.

<https://www.fox10phoenix.com/news/arizona-man-accused-of-having-sexually-explicit-material-that-feature-children>

Hialeah Woman's Distinctive Nails Assisted in Child Porn Arrest: Cops

Christina Marie Hernandez, 29, was arrested Thursday on 13 counts of possession of images of sexual performance by a child

By Ari Odzer • Published June 10, 2022 • Updated on June 11, 2022 at 10:54 am

A Hialeah woman's distinctive nail designs helped detectives bust her for uploading child pornography videos on an internet messenger, officials said.

Christina Marie Hernandez, 29, was arrested Thursday on 13 counts of possession of images of sexual performance by a child.

According to an arrest report, the investigation into Hernandez began after some 20 child pornography video files were uploaded to Kik Messenger.

Hialeah Police Lt. Eddie Rodriguez said Hernandez's elaborate fingernails, which she showcased on TikTok and Instagram, helped detectives identify her.

"During the investigation, we were trying to identify who the person was, we did have a lead and the lead was the person's fingernails," Rodriguez said. "Through the unusualness of her nails, the way she would have them paired and colored and things of that sort, they were able to confirm that it was her in the video, they were able to match that hand, those fingernails, with that design to other pictures she had on her homepage."

The report details the video files that were uploaded and which involve very young children.

Rodriguez said it's rare for a woman to be suspected in a child pornography case.

"The most interesting part about this case is that I believe this is the very first time in Miami-Dade County that a female was arrested for child pornography," he said. "She was downloading it, sharing it and receiving it."

Hernandez was booked into the Miami-Dade jail. Attorney information wasn't available.

<https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/hialeah-womans-distinctive-nails-assisted-in-child-porn-arrest-cops/2781893/>

County man charged with aggravated possession of child porn

Max Bryan, The Norman Transcript, Okla.
September 21, 2022

Sep. 21—A search warrant executed at a Lexington residence in July allegedly yielded more than 800 child exploitative images.

Christopher Lee Barger, 38, was arrested Sept. 6 and charged with aggravated possession of child pornography in connection with the images.

Cleveland County sheriff's investigators allegedly found three computers and two cellphones containing the images, according to statements from Lt. John Szymanski.

Barger is set to appear in Cleveland County District Court Oct. 11 in connection with the charge, according to court records.

The sheriff's office in June received multiple tips about Barger's devices. In July, it seized the devices from his residence in the 10300 block of U.S. Highway 77, according to the probable cause affidavit.

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/county-man-charged-aggravated-possession-135300299.html>

Twice Convicted Sex-Offender Arrested with Child Sexual Abuse Material

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 27, 2022

INDIANAPOLIS – A Crawfordsville man was arrested Tuesday on criminal charges related to his alleged possession of child sexual abuse material.

According to court documents, an investigation into Christopher Gene Beke, Sr., 43, began with a report by Google LLC, after the company determined a Google user uploaded sexually explicit images of minors to Google servers in 2021. The Indiana Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force received these reports, and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office identified the Google user as Beke, Sr., who had prior convictions for Child Molesting and Possession of Child Pornography. Upon execution of a search warrant, and with the assistance of "Hunter", IMPD's Electronic Detection K-9, Beke was found to be in possession of devices that contained sexually explicit images of minors. Beke admitted to police that his phone would contain illegal images.

"This case is a great example of how an international corporate giant like Google can use technology to detect child sexual abuse images being stored online and then quickly get that information into the hands of local law enforcement officers," said United States Attorney Zachary A. Myers. "Using these internationally generated leads, our ICAC Task Force can put local boots on the ground to stop people who traffic in sexually explicit images of children. And a special thanks for the incredible work of our law enforcement partners in Montgomery County."

"Detective French and Detective Kirby have worked tirelessly on these cases, and we are grateful for our partnerships with the ICAC Task Force," said Montgomery County Sheriff Ryan Needham. "We will continue to commit all of our resources to these types of crimes and work with our partners to ensure we do our part in keeping children safe."

Beke, Sr. is charged with Possession of a Visual Depiction of a Minor Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct (with a Prior Conviction). The defendant made his initial court appearance today, before U.S. Magistrate Judge Doris L. Pryor of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana and was ordered detained pending trial. If

convicted, Beke, Sr. faces a sentence of at least 10 years in federal prison. A federal district court judge will determine any sentence after considering the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is investigating the case. The Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, the Indiana State Police, the Crawfordsville Police Department, the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office (including the County Sex Offender Registrar), and the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office also provided valuable assistance.

U.S. Attorney Myers thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Kristina Korobov who is prosecuting the case.

This investigation was conducted by the Indiana Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, a partnership of federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies led by the Indiana State Police. The Task Force is dedicated to investigating and prosecuting crimes involving the technology-facilitated sexual exploitation of children and the trafficking of child sexual abuse material. Each year, Indiana ICAC investigators evaluate thousands of tips, investigate hundreds of cases, and rescue dozens of children from ongoing sexual abuse. In fiscal year 2019, the Southern District of Indiana was second out of the 94 federal districts in the country for the number of child sexual exploitation cases prosecuted.

Additionally, this case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/pr/twice-convicted-sex-offender-arrested-child-sexual-abuse-material>

LOGAN COUNTY COUPLE ARRESTED, ACCUSED OF MANUFACTURING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

By: News 9

Saturday, June 25th, 2022

OKLAHOMA CITY –

Logan County deputies said a couple was arrested and accused of manufacturing child pornography.

According to jail records, Christopher and Evelyn Chang were arrested last week.

They were booked in on complaints of manufacturing child porn and engaging in child abuse.

Children belonging to the couple were removed from the home.

<https://www.news9.com/story/62b7d74183de68070e0216e8/logan-county-couple-arrested-accused-of-manufacturing-child-pornography>

Man accused of disseminating child pornography in Reidsville

By: Dolan Reynolds
Apr 19, 2022

REIDSVILLE, N.C. (WGHP) — A man was arrested by Reidsville police on Tuesday and charged with second-degree exploitation of a minor, according to a Reidsville Police Department news release.

Around 1:20 p.m., investigators with the RPD, assisted by the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office and US Department of Homeland Security, executed a search warrant at Belmont Drive for disseminating child pornography.

Reidsville investigators and special agents with homeland security recovered related evidence from the home.

Christopher Weldon Cobb, 26, was arrested for second-degree exploitation of a minor. Cobb was given a \$100,000 secured bond.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with any information is asked to contact Investigator Menard at (336) 347-2305 or anonymously contact Rockingham County Crime Stoppers at (336) 349-9683.

<https://myfox8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/man-accused-of-disseminating-child-pornography-in-reidsville/>

KERSHAW COUNTY, SC (WACH) -- A judge at the Kershaw County Detention Center has set the bond for Christopher Gambrell, 23, at \$100,000

by Kelsey Sanchez
Thu, January 20th 2022

Gambrell is charged with 23 counts of criminal sexual misconduct with a minor.

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His bond is set for 10 of the 23 charges along with no computer access and no unsupervised contact with any minor.
Bond was denied for the other 13 charges.

Kershaw county deputies, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the Secret Service were all involved in his arrest after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

Investigators say not only did Christopher Gambrell admit to the crimes he's accused of but admitted to having a problem.

"Through the investigation, Christopher Gambrell admitted to committing criminal sexual convict with a minor in the third degree and taking two photos of a juvenile in a sexually explicit manner. Gambrell admitted to distributing, receiving, and or possessing approximately 1,000 images of child pornography. Christopher Gambrell has proven through his acts that he's a danger to society and the children of Kershaw County," said Kershaw County Sheriff's Office Investigator, Carol Tarte.

The images and videos of the minors were said to be between the ages of five to 18-years-old.

One of the victim's families was at Thursday's bond hearing.

The judge asked if they had anything to say, but they declined to speak.

Kershaw County investigators explained with cases such as Gambrell's the best thing to do is if you suspect something is to report it.

"Proactively check your children's devices. You're going to know -- you're going to get that gut feeling that this person that they're talking to might not be their friend.

Sending inappropriate messages with strangers online report that stuff to us, report it to NCMEC because you're not supposed to be having these conversations anyways at a minor age."

Gambrell was already free on bail on two counts of sexual conduct with a minor in Kershaw County dating back to 2019, however, those cases are still pending.

Kershaw County investigators said they are still looking at other potential victims in the area.

Gambrell is expected to be in court again on March 22.

<https://abcnews4.com/news/crime-news/bond-set-for-kershaw-county-man-accused-of-sex-crimes-with-children>

Prineville youth pastor faces federal child porn charges

By GARRETT ANDREWS The Bulletin
Mar 4, 2022

A Prineville youth pastor is on house arrest while awaiting trial in a federal child pornography case.

Christopher David Goodman was arrested in January as part of a larger effort by federal agents taking on a national child-porn distribution ring based on the East Coast.

Though police found no incriminating images on his phone or computer, Goodman allegedly admitted to sending and receiving child pornography via the Mega app and Kik messenger, according to court records.

At the time of his arrest, Goodman, 36, was employed as a youth minister at Redmond Church of Christ.

Goodman now faces two charges in U.S. District Court in Eugene: distributing child pornography and accessing child pornography with intent to view. Both counts call for prison terms of five to 10 years.

A search warrant request and statement of probable cause outline the government's case against Goodman.

On Nov. 5, the Randolph County (North Carolina) Sheriff's Office raided the home of Kevin Lee Nunn, now charged with 10 counts of child exploitation.

Searches of Nunn's cellphone and hard drives revealed he was active trading images he produced using the Kik messenger app and the cloud storage provider Mega.

For several days, police monitored a chatroom titled, "Trade links," which they say, "served no other purpose than distributing child pornography."

"In one instance, a user posted a photograph of a naked baby and claimed that the baby was his 'niece,'" wrote special agent Clinton Lindsly in a search warrant request.

Federal officials identified 63 users in the "Trade links" message board, including one, "Eli Yensid," whose IP address traced to a one-story duplex in Prineville. "Eli Yensid" traded links almost daily since creating his account in February 2021 until it was decommissioned in November, according to court records.

Federal agents in Oregon learned the occupant of the duplex was a youth pastor named Chris Goodman, who lived with his wife and young child.

A judge signed a request to search the duplex and Goodman's phone and computers on Jan. 12. The next day, detectives with the Prineville Police Department used a ruse to get Goodman to the police station. But they didn't lie to him; they asked if he'd come in to help with an investigation.

Once at the station, detectives told Goodman the investigation's true purpose. He handed them his house keys and other officers drove to search his residence.

In an interrogation room, Goodman was read his Miranda rights but agreed to be interviewed and submit to a polygraph exam about whether he'd ever had sexual contact with children, which he denied.

He allegedly told police that after viewing child pornography, he would delete the apps from his phone because he felt ashamed. He allegedly said he preferred girls around 14 years old.

"Further questioning revealed that Goodman admitted to sexually lusting after young children in his position as a Youth Minister," wrote special agent Lindsly.

Goodman explained that he received sexual gratification from touching children on parts of their body that were not explicitly sexual, such as their arm or shoulder. He also admitted to feeling sexual gratification at least once while with a child younger than 5.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, Goodman was the director of his church's annual Rally at the Rock, a three-day bible camp at Smith Rock for children in grades 7-12. A cached page from the church website reads, "He has provided a wonderful environment for the youth to grow and be encouraged."

https://www.bendbulletin.com/localstate/crimeandjustice/prineville-youth-pastor-faces-federal-child-porn-charges/article_8b9b912c-9be6-11ec-b9d7-83b892418097.html

Floyd County man charged in child sex abuse case

By Evan Hatter

Jun. 28, 2022

FLOYD COUNTY, Ky. (WYMT) - A Floyd County man was arrested Tuesday, charged with child sexual exploitation offenses.

24-year-old Christopher Jacob Hall was found, interviewed and arrested after an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation. The investigation started after the Kentucky State Police Electronic Crime Branch discovered Hall sharing sexually explicit images online.

Hall's home in Harold, Ky. was searched Tuesday, with computer equipment used in the crime taken and sent to KSP's forensic lab.

Hall is charged with 20 counts of possessing child pornography and one count of distributing child pornography. The charges carry with them five to ten year prison sentences. He was taken to the Floyd County Detention Center.

<https://www.wymt.com/2022/06/29/floyd-county-man-charged-child-sex-abuse-case/>

Virginia man arrested for possession of child pornography

by: Dina Weinstein

Posted: Sep 21, 2022

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, Va. (WRIC) — A Virginia man has been arrested on child pornography charges.

On Thursday, Sept. 8, Prince William County Police investigators issued an arrest warrant for Christopher Alexis Hernandez, a resident of Manassas.

Hernandez turned himself into the police and was arrested on Tuesday, Sept. 20, according to the release.

Police had been investigating Hernandez since March 31.

The result of the investigation by the Northern Virginia/DC Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force showed that Hernandez possessed and distributed child pornography through social media networks via a mobile device between February and June 2022.

His bond was set at \$5,000 in the case and Hernandez's court date is pending.

<https://www.wric.com/news/northern-virginia/virginia-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Florida sex offender accused of sharing child porn with others online, report states

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LAKE MARY, Fla. - A registered sex offender in Lake County is accused of sharing child pornography with others online, according to an arrest affidavit obtained by FOX 35.

The report stated Christopher Kinney, 35, of Leesburg, was arrested Tuesday morning outside his place of employment in Mount Dora.

The affidavit revealed Kinney had social media profiles on Wik-r and Grindr that officers said he did not register to his sex offender registry.

On the Wik-r account, the report stated he shared at least four files of child pornography during online conversation with two users.

On the Grindr app, the affidavit said Kinney tried to meet up with people for sex, and based on online conversations, police believe he was successful. It's unknown whether the conversations or encounters were with kids, the report stated.

On Kinney's cell phone, officers also found at least 20 files of child porn, the report stated.

Kinney is being held without bond on charges of possessing and sharing child porn, sharing harmful material to a child, solicitation of a child, as well as failing to register his online accounts, which is required by law by all Florida sex offenders, the report stated.

<https://www.fox35orlando.com/news/lake-county-sex-offender-arrested-on-child-porn-charges-report-states>

Fontana teenager is arrested on child pornography charges on April 6

Apr 29, 2022

An 18-year-old Fontana man was arrested on child pornography charges, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Christopher Lopez was allegedly downloading child pornography over the internet.

On April 6, a search warrant was served at Lopez's residence in the 11700 block of Puerto Real Road, where detectives seized electronic devices. The suspect booked at West Valley Detention Center.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-teenager-is-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-on-april-6/article_0cb03b62-b6a6-11ec-8bcf-278803a42d7e.html

5 arrested in Polk County on child porn charges

By: Zachary Winiecki

Jul 8, 2022

POLK COUNTY, Fla. (WFLA) — Polk County detectives announced Friday they arrested five people on hundreds of combined child phonography charges at the end of June.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office said they arrested Jerry Wilson, 59, of Mulberry, Christopher Montalvo, 26, of Lakeland, Shane Dugan, 21, of Lakeland, Demian Veliz, 55, of Davenport and Bryant Whatley, 19, of Lake Alfred.

The arrests were made after PCSO said they got tips from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children about suspects possibly transmitting or downloading harmful images.

Deputies said they found child porn on each of the suspects' devices after serving search warrants at each of their homes. Some images were of children as young as six months old being sexually battered, according to PCSO.

"Through our partnership with NCMEC and concerned citizens who saw something and said something, we are able to take criminals who engage in the child pornography trade off the street," Polk County Grady Judd said. "Those who buy, sell, trade, and download child sex abuse images support lead to further child abuse and create more child victims. Please, if you see something while you are online or on mobile apps, say something. Contact your local law enforcement agency or go to NCMEC's CyberTipline at <https://report.cybertip.org/> to report suspicious online activity."

Detectives said Wilson was actively downloading child pornography when they served a search warrant on his home. He faces 330 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography. He also allegedly told detectives he'd been watching child pornography his whole life.

He was taken to the Polk County Jail on July 1 and is being held on a \$4.9 million bond. Montalvo faces 120 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography and one count promoting a sexual performance by a child. He was taken to the Polk County Jail on June 27 on a \$1.2 million bond.

Dugan faces 10 possession of child pornography charges. Veliz was charged with seven counts of possession of child pornography and one count promoting a sexual

performance by a child. Whatley faces possession of child pornography and promoting a sexual performance by a child charges.

Detectives said none of the images found appear to be of Polk County children and they are working to identify them. More charges could be filed if more images are found. The investigation is ongoing.

<https://www.wfla.com/news/polk-county/5-arrested-in-polk-county-on-child-porn-charges/>

Dennison Township man charged with sharing child sexual abuse materials

By Ed Lewis

July 13, 2022

DENNISON TWP. — A Dennison Township man was arrested Wednesday on allegations he downloaded and shared child sexual abuse materials with others.

Christopher Patrick O'Connor, 30, of East Nescopeck Creek Lane, was jailed for lack of \$150,000 bail following his arraignment by District Judge Ferris Webby in Wright Township on charges of child pornography, dissemination of picture or film involving children engaged in sex acts and criminal use of communication facility.

O'Connor was arrested when Luzerne County detectives and West Hazleton police, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, found him at a garage on Barrys Road in White Haven. White Haven police assisted in O'Connor's arrest.

According to the criminal complaint:

Detectives received several Cyber tips involving the uploading of 65 suspected images of child sexual abuse materials in March.

Emails and phone numbers used to upload the images were linked to O'Connor.

When detectives executed a search warrant at O'Connor's residence, they learned he was staying at a friend's garage on Barrys Road in White Haven.

O'Connor was found at the garage and detained on an unrelated DUI warrant. He spoke with detectives after he waived his right to remain silent.

During the interview, O'Connor admitted to viewing child sexual abuse materials for two years, the complaint says.

O'Connor claimed he would chat with others online using his cellular phone receiving and sharing images of children involved in sex acts, according to the complaint.

O'Connor said he was under the influence of methamphetamine when he would get into chat rooms and likely performed self-sex acts only later to feel awful about it as he knew it was wrong, the complaint says.

Detectives in the complaint reported O'Connor admitted to using his friends and a local restaurant's WIFI to access the internet.

<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1565306/dennison-township-man-charged-with-sharing-child-sexual-abuse-materials>

Bedford County man Arrested for Sexual Exploitation of a Minor

October 25, 2022

A Bedford County resident is in custody after an ongoing investigation from an Internet Crimes Against Children cyber tip in reference to alleged child pornography images.

As a result of this investigation by Bedford County Sheriff's Department Criminal Investigation Division, Christopher Reinhardt has been charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor.

<https://ontargetnews.com/bedford-county-man-arrested-for-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor/>

Utah man arrested after police follow tip for child pornography

BY LARRY D. CURTIS, KSL TV

Feb 3, 2022

FARMINGTON, Utah — A Utah man was arrested on suspicion of eight counts of sexual exploitation of a minor after police said they found videos in his home and on his Dropbox account of child sexual abuse, including rape.

On Wednesday, 42-year-old Christopher Mark Taylor of Farmington, Utah, was arrested for eight counts of exploitation, each a second degree felony. Farmington police, acting on a tip, obtained a warrant to search Taylor's Dropbox storage account. Investigators found tax records and financial statements for Taylor, photos of his family and his driver license along with illegal files of graphic child pornography.

Police, in probable cause court documents, said they located 582 individual files of child sexual abuse. In the documents, police described some of the shocking video files that KSL TV has chosen not to detail, but that included sexual assault and rape of children estimated to be as young as 2 or 3. The names of the files made it clear what content would be included.

On Jan 5, police stood on the sidewalk in front of what was believed to be Taylor's home and marked the digital networks available, all secured by passwords. Police also confirmed Taylor's registration of the home's utilities and found a car parked in the driveway was also registered in Taylor's name at the same address. With the information, police obtained a warrant to search Taylor's house.

On Tuesday, Jan. 12, a task force officer along with assistance from the FBI's human trafficking division, executed a search warrant on Taylor, his car and his home in Farmington. Part of the search included a home office.

"An encrypted thumb-drive/external hard drive was also found hidden in a picture frame of a painting hanging on the wall of this office. This device was able to be decrypted, and it was observed that it contained videos of child pornography," that includes at least one more video of child rape. In a "tub" underneath the office desk, a search found sex toys for men. Police said because of the "large amount" of electronics taken, the items are still being processed.

Investigators said the electronic storage previously searched had been accessed from the office computer.

Police also interviewed Taylor's wife and searched her electronics and found no child pornography. She told police she wasn't aware of his electronic storage and didn't know how to use his Dropbox.

Taylor, according to police, would not give a statement or answer questions related to the case.

Court documents claim that with "substantial" evidence of the crimes, Taylor would be a danger to the community. Police observed "numerous children" playing outside his home.

<https://ksltv.com/481419/utah-man-arrested-after-police-follow-tip-for-child-pornography/>

Haughton man arrested on child pornography charges

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BENTON, La. -- A cyber tip leads to the arrest of a Haughton man on child pornography charges, Bossier sheriff's detectives said Friday.

Christopher Watson, 24, was arrested Thursday after detectives searched his home based the tip. Watson was also charged with possessing drugs and drug paraphernalia.

Detectives said during the investigation Watson confessed to possessing and distributing child pornography involving prepubescent juveniles under the age of 13.

Watson was charged with six counts of distribution of pornography involving juveniles, one count each of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. He was booked into the Bossier Max with a \$120,000 bond.

This investigation is ongoing and anyone with any information regarding crimes against children is encouraged to contact the Bossier Sheriff's Office at (318) 965-2203.

https://www.kpvi.com/news/national_news/haughton-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/article_e783453a-b914-53bd-b508-201711e9fa68.html

Russellville man facing six felonies in child pornography case

By JARED JERNAGAN, Editor

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

A Russellville man is facing six felony counts relating to child pornography found on his person computer.

Clayton Osterhoudt, 68, was charged in Putnam Superior Court with Level 4 felony dissemination of child pornography and five counts of Level 5 felony possession of child pornography.

The Hamilton County Metro Child Exploitation Task Force first became aware of Osterhoudt through five different reports associated with Osterhoudt's telephone number to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children cybertipline in August and September of 2019. The case was assigned to Hamilton County based on the prefix of Osterhoudt's mobile phone number.

Det. Sgt. Keith Weesner of the Fishers Police Department investigated the allegations.

Through the course of the investigation, Weesner and other investigators found multiple images or videos of young females in sexual or suggestive poses both on email accounts associated with Osterhoudt's number as well as on his computer.

A search warrant was executed at Osterhoudt's Russellville home in September 2020, at which time court records indicate he told officers they would find illegal pornography on his computer.

Osterhoudt further told officers that he had exchanged images and videos with others via the internet. He also indicated that all of the images were obtained on the internet and not made locally.

A Level 4 felony carries with it a sentencing range of 2-12 years, while Level 5 felonies can range from 1-6 years.

Following the issuance of a warrant for Osterhoudt's arrest, he was booked in the Putnam County Jail at 2:22 p.m. on Tuesday.

<https://www.bannergraphic.com/story/2927922.html#:~:text=Clayton%20Osterhoudt%2C%2068%2C%20was%20charged,felony%20possession%20of%20child%20pornography>

Child pornography arrest in Sunset: 800 images, dark notes

By Mark Shenefelt

Oct 11, 2022

SUNSET — Prosecutors on Tuesday filed eight child pornography charges against a Sunset man accused of uploading about 800 explicit photos, including images of toddler rape, to the internet.

The Davis County Attorney's Bureau of Investigations found that Clinton Chipp, 45, allegedly uploaded the images to his Google account from May 25 to June 3, according to a probable cause statement.

Agents of the Utah Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force served a search warrant at Chipp's home on Oct. 5. The arrest affidavit said agents found notes listing Chipp's Google user name and password; many articles of children's clothing; and handwritten notes in which Chipp allegedly fantasized about violently raping children in the neighborhood.

Chipp was ordered held without bail in the Davis County Jail in Farmington. He is charged with eight counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor.

<https://www.standard.net/police-fire/2022/oct/11/child-pornography-arrest-in-sunset-800-images-dark-notes/>

Anson County teacher charged for child pornography

After an investigation, the SBI and ACSO identified the suspect as 41-year-old Clinton Jones and served a search warrant at his Wadesboro home.

Author: Emma Korynta

January 4, 2022

ANSON COUNTY, N.C. — An Anson County teacher has been charged with 18 counts of 3rd-degree sexual exploitation, the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation confirms.

On Dec. 28, the SBI was requested to assist the Anson County Sheriff's Office on an investigation following CyberTips by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NMEC) regarding child sexual exploitation material.

After an investigation, the SBI and ACSO identified the suspect as 41-year-old Clinton Jones and served a search warrant at his Wadesboro home. The SBI found hundreds of child sexual exploitation images and videos on smartphones, computers and media storage devices in his home.

After being charged, he received a \$150,000 bond. The SBI's investigation remains active and ongoing.

The SBI confirmed Jones was a teacher at Ansonville Elementary School. WCNC Charlotte has reached out to both the Anson County Sheriff's Office and Anson County Schools. At this time, WCNC Charlotte is awaiting responses.

<https://www.wcnc.com/article/news/crime/anson-county-teacher-child-pornography/275-4b771c43-c795-490e-ae2c-f1454fbf2e21>

Sandy Fire Captain arrested after hiding cameras to record teens undressing according to police

BY ELIZA PACE, KSL TV

Mar 11, 2022

SANDY, Utah— Sandy Fire Captain Clinton McKee was arrested Thursday for child pornography after an investigation into a tip given to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to court documents, McKee, 44, admitted to using and distributing child pornography and searching terms “such as teen and voyeur” when seeking out child pornography. In addition, McKee said he had hidden cameras within a business in the home where his wife offers tanning services to clients including teenage girls.

McKee said he had hid the cameras where teenage girls would undress. “He said that teenage girls were video recorded nude,” according to court documents.

A search warrant was carried out at the home and police located those digital files.

McKee will be booked into Salt Lake County Jail on seven counts of exploitation of a minor.

Sandy City Police Department announced McKee was no longer an employee with Sandy City Friday afternoon and stated, “Sandy City Officials were deeply troubled to learn Sandy City Fire Department Captain Clinton McKee was the subject of a criminal investigation by the Utah Attorney General’s office. Captain McKee was immediately placed on administrative leave pending an administrative investigation into the allegation of criminal conduct.”

McKee has been with Sandy City since 2007.

<https://ksltv.com/486612/sandy-fire-captain-arrested-for-child-pornography-hid-cameras-to-record-teens-undressing/>

Saginaw man arrested on child pornography charges

Angela Mulka, Staff writer

Aug. 12, 2022

A 32-year-old Saginaw man is facing several felonies involving the possession and distribution of child pornography.

Michigan State Police said Clinton Lee Wilson Jr. appeared in the 70th District Court on July 21 where he was arraigned on two counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material, four counts of using a computer to commit a crime, one count of aggravated distribution or promoting of child sexually abusive material and one count of possession of child sexually abusive material.

Police began investigating Wilson Jr. when it was learned that he was viewing files of child sexually abusive material on the internet, according to MSP in a recent press release.

Police searched his home and digital evidence was reportedly seized.

In light of the crime, the MSP Computer Crimes Unit encourages parents to speak to their children about the safe use of the internet.

There are many resources available to parents to assist in keeping children safe online. The MSP Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force provides resources at michiganicac.com.

Anyone with information regarding possible child sexual exploitation should report it to the CyberTipLine at missingkids.org/cybertipline.

The CyberTipLine, run by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, has helped solve cases in Michigan.

For instance, Michigan State Police began investigating a Rogers City man after a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children said he possessed child sexually abusive material. MSP searched his home and found more than 100 images of child sexually abusive material on his internet-capable devices. He is facing several felonies.

<https://www.michiganstthumb.com/news/article/Saginaw-man-arrested-child-pornography-17369698.php>

Perryville man accused of promoting child pornography

By Amber Ruch

May. 12, 2022

PERRYVILLE, Mo. (KFVS) - A man was charged with promoting and possessing child pornography.

Cody Christopher French, 37, of Perryville, was charged with four counts of promoting child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography.

He is in the Perry County Jail on a \$100,000 bond.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, French was arrested on Tuesday, May 10 after investigators executed a search warrant at his home on Trishia Street.

They said investigators seized child pornography and computer equipment.

He was formally charged by the Perry County Prosecuting Attorney's Office on Wednesday, May 11.

The highway patrol's Division of Drug and Crime Control encouraged internet users to report anyone who tries to engage in unwanted, inappropriate or sexualized communications with children.

<https://www.kfvs12.com/2022/05/12/perryville-man-accused-promoting-child-pornography/>

Bismarck man in custody after police say he sent/received child porn on Snapchat

By Erika Craven

Jan. 5, 2022

BISMARCK, N.D. (KFYR) - Police arrested a Bismarck man they say used Snapchat to upload child sexual abuse materials (CSAM).

Bismarck police say a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led them to the IP address of 19-year-old Cody Yoder.

Court documents report that Yoder admitted to receiving and possessing explicit videos and photographs of prepubescent children performing sexual acts with adults. He told police he took some of the photos and videos and exchanged them with other users on the internet throughout 2021.

Yoder is charged with possession of certain materials prohibited and distribution of intimate images without consent.

<https://www.kfyrtv.com/2022/01/05/bismarck-man-custody-after-police-say-he-sentreceived-child-porn-snapchat/>

FDLE arrests Blountstown man for sexual battery on a child and related offenses

For Immediate Release

February 9, 2022

BLOUNTSTOWN, Fla. – FDLE agents arrested Colby Matthew Godwin, 28, of Blountstown, on four counts of sexual battery on a child 12 years of age but less than 18, two counts of lewd and lascivious molestation, 12 counts of promoting the sexual performance of a child, and one count of possession of child sexual abuse material.

The investigation began after FDLE agents received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). The tip alerted agents to an online address being used to share files depicting the sexual abuse of children via a popular mobile application.

On February 4, agents conducted an interview with Godwin and seized his cellular telephone. A preliminary forensic examination of his phone located images depicting child sexual abuse, and he was arrested that day for promoting and possessing child sexual abuse material.

Agents continued the investigation, which included interviewing two juvenile victims. Based on evidence and victim testimony, Godwin was arrested on additional charges for sexual battery on a child and lewd and lascivious battery on a child.

FDLE Pensacola Special Agent in Charge Chris Williams said, "I am thankful for law enforcement's partnership with NCMEC, whose tip, combined with our agents' thorough investigation, resulted in the quick identification and arrest of a child predator."

Calhoun County Sheriff's Office assisted FDLE in this case.

Godwin was booked into the Calhoun County Jail. Additional charges are dependent upon completion of forensic exams. The case will be prosecuted by the Office of the State Attorney, 14th Judicial Circuit.

This investigation is active. If you have information about Colby Godwin that may help investigators, please contact FDLE Panama City Field Office at (850) 595-2100.

<https://capitalsoup.com/2022/02/09/fdle-arrests-blountstown-man-for-sexual-battery-on-a-child-and-related-offenses/>

Myrtle Beach man accused of uploading child porn using Snapchat

By: Kaitlyn Luna

Feb 3, 2022

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (WBTW) — A Myrtle Beach man has been arrested after Horry County Police say he uploaded child pornography using Snapchat.

On September 6, 2021, Connor Anuszkiewicz, 20, was arrested for uploading six videos of child pornography through Snapchat.

He was charged with two counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and eight counts of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor. He was released on a \$50,000 bond.

No other information is available at this time. Count on News13 for updates.

<https://www.wbtw.com/news/grand-strand/horry-county/myrtle-beach-man-accused-of-uploading-child-porn-using-snapchat/#:~:text=On%20September%206%2C%202021%2C%20Connor,released%20on%20a%20%2450%2C000%20bond.>

Roundup: T.O. man charged with child porn, sex crimes; murder suspect denied bail, more **Cytlalli Salgado Ventura County Star**

June 25, 2022

Newbury Park man, 19, charged with child porn and sex crimes

THOUSAND OAKS — A 19-year-old Newbury Park man has been arrested and charged with multiple felony offenses involving child pornography and sex acts involving two minors, one from Ojai.

Authorities believe there may be even more victims.

Connor Joseph Kerns was arrested Tuesday after detectives served a search warrant at his home in the 400 block of Fallbrook Avenue, according to the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. The sheriff's office is contracted to provide police services in Thousand Oaks.

The arrest followed an initial investigation into Kerns' alleged interactions last July with a girl in Ojai, where the sheriff's office also provides police services.

Authorities say Kerns tricked the minor into sending child sexual abuse material over social media. The girl sent nude images and sex videos, according to sheriff's officials. The suspect offered to pay for the material and also allegedly blackmailed the girl into sending more by threatening to make public the images he'd received.

He then reportedly posed as a hacker, claiming through a fictitious account he'd hacked into Kerns' account. As the phony hacker, he coerced the girl to take part in sex acts with Kerns by threatening to leak the nude photos and other material, according to the sheriff's account.

Kerns eventually convinced the girl to meet him in person, when officials say he "extorted" her for sex acts and more pornographic material.

Kerns was interviewed by sheriff's detectives during the initial investigation. As the probe was underway, authorities received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about two other possible victims. Both are juvenile females, one in Los Angeles County and one in Tennessee, who were reportedly contacted by Kerns under circumstances similar to the Ojai case.

Sheriff's Detective Rosalio Cobian said Wednesday evening that after investigators learned of the other potential victims, they moved quickly to make an arrest. On Thursday, the Ventura County District Attorney's Office filed eight felony charges against Kerns involving two victims. Charges include forcible rape, using a minor for sex acts and forcible penetration of a victim younger than 14. Prosecutors also filed special enhancements for a vulnerable victim and a victim younger than 14, among others, court records show. One victim was younger than 14 and the other 14 or older, the filings indicate.

An arraignment hearing in Ventura County Superior Court Thursday afternoon was continued without a plea being entered. Kerns appeared via Zoom. The arraignment will resume on the afternoon of July 6 in courtroom 13.

Two protective orders barring contact with the victims were also filed Thursday. The DA's complaint alleges Kerns used duress to get the two girls to engage in commercial sex acts and also alleges he forcibly raped one and forcibly digitally penetrated both, prosecutors said in a release Friday.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department and the Department of Homeland Security along with the Ventura County Sheriff's agency, prosecutors said.

A bail review hearing was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon in courtroom 13. As of Saturday evening, Kerns remained in Ventura County jail in lieu of \$1.1 million bail.

Sheriff's officials said Wednesday they believe there could be additional victims. They asked anyone with information to call Detective Cobian with the major crimes unit at 805-384-4723.

<https://www.vcstar.com/story/news/local/communities/county/2022/06/22/newbury-park-man-arrested-suspicion-child-porn-more-county-news/7703550001/>

Logan man arrested for allegedly sharing child pornography on Snapchat

Written by Will Feelright

May 28, 2022

LOGAN — A 21-year-old Logan man has been arrested after police allegedly tracked him sharing child pornography through a social media account. Corban J. Bindrup was booked Thursday into the Cache County Jail.

According to an arrest report, Logan City Police officers received a cybertip in April from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. It claimed Bindrup had used a Snapchat group to exchange a video, depicting a young boy being raped.

Police obtained a subpoena and tracked the IP address to Bindrup's residence in Logan. They also tracked an email address, associated with the Snapchat username to the suspect, the report detailed.

Officers served a search warrant to Bindrup's residence on Thursday. They allegedly seized several electronic devices.

The report explained that when police searched the devices they located several images of child pornography. They also discovered an "extremely large quantity" of pornographic cartoon images of children that appeared to be computer generated.

Jail records show Bindrup was booked on five offenses of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony. He is being held without bail, pending arraignment on formal charges in 1st District Court.

<https://www.cachevalleydaily.com/news/archive/2022/05/28/logan-man-arrested-for-allegedly-sharing-child-pornography-on-snapchat/#.YqNmTKjMKUk>

Wagner High School teacher arrested on child pornography charges

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Corey Davidson, 50, taught art at the Judson ISD school

SAN ANTONIO – A Wagner High School teacher was arrested Wednesday on a child pornography charge, according to an arrest warrant affidavit.

Corey Davidson, 50, is charged with possession of child pornography, a third-degree felony. He was arrested at his home on Lincoln Creek on the city's far Northwest Side.

The Office of the Texas Attorney General was notified by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about a tip that Davidson had uploaded eight files of child pornography onto his Yahoo account. The tip was escalated because Davidson posed a risk to children because he is a teacher, the affidavit states.

Investigators say Davidson sent three images of child pornography over email in February. Email folders named "soccer shots" and "school stuff" contained multiple videos and still images of adult pornography in addition to the child pornography, the affidavit states.

The affidavit states that the Teachers Art Education Association confirmed that Davidson is employed with Judson ISD and teaches at Wagner High School. The school's website lists Davidson as an art teacher on campus.

KSAT received a copy of an email sent by JISD to parents on Wednesday alerting them to the arrest of a teacher, but the email did not name Davidson.

According to that district email, Davidson has been placed on administrative leave.

<https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2022/04/27/wagner-high-school-teacher-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

40+ tips lead to arrest of 2 North Carolina men on child porn charges

By: Mike Andrews

May 6, 2022

GASTON COUNTY, N.C. (QUEEN CITY NEWS) — More than 40 cyber tips led to a child pornography investigation and the arrests of two men in Gaston County, according to the Gaston County Police Department.

Police said that on May 2 and 3, investigators from various agencies conducted an operation after they received tips through the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Authorities said the investigation consisted of three search warrants on homes in the county, 39 home visits conducted by eight teams of investigators and certified forensic analysts, and interviews with children at the Gaston County Child Advocacy Center, also called The Lighthouse.

After the investigation, police arrested and charged 25-year-old Joshua Kenyon, of Stanley, and 28-year-old, Corey Swim, of Mount Holly.

Kenyon was charged with three felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a child and three felony counts of third-degree exploitation. He was issued a \$250,000 secured bond.

Swim was charged with six felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a child and six felony counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a child. He was issued a \$150,000 secured bond.

<https://www.wbtw.com/news/state-regional-news/40-tips-lead-to-arrest-of-2-north-carolina-men-on-child-porn-charges/>

Menomonie man facing 10 charges of possession of child porn

By Samantha Nitz

Apr. 8, 2022

Authorities were made aware of two Cyber Tipline reports from National Center for Missing and Exploited children submitted by Snapchat that reported activity involving at least one image suspected to be child sexual assault material occurring on March 18, 2021(MGN)

EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (WEAU) -A Menomonie, Wis. man is suspected of possessing child pornography.

According to a criminal complaint, 32-year-old Cory Christian is facing 10 charges of possession of child pornography.

According to the criminal complaint, authorities were made aware of multiple Cyber Tipline reports from National Center for Missing and Exploited children submitted by Snapchat that reported activity involving at least one image suspected to be child sexual assault material occurring on March 18, 2021. Authorities found that the IP address associated with this activity was registered to Christian at an address in Menomonie.

The criminal complaint says on July 1, 2021 a search warrant was executed by Eau Claire Area Regional SWAT team at Christian's home. Christian said he had Snapchat in the past but got rid of it. Authorities found three cellphones and a computer in his bedroom.

Upon a download completed of one of the cellphones found during the search warrant, an investigator found about 2502 images and 19 videos on it. Of those images, an investigator found about 128 images of prepubescent and pubescent females that appeared to be under the age of 18. Authorities discovered a Kik application that contained the same username from the Cyber Tips. On Christian's computer, authorities found multiple search history results for pornographic related websites.

An initial court appearance for Christian is scheduled for May 17, 2022.

<https://www.weau.com/2022/04/08/menomonie-man-facing-10-charges-possession-child-porn/>

Southern Indiana man arrested for possession of child pornography

Matthew Keck

Sep 5, 2022

SCOTT COUNTY, Ind. —

A southern Indiana man has been arrested after a month-long investigation revealed he was in possession of child pornography.

Craig Winchester, 27, of Austin, Indiana, is being charged with three counts of child exploitation and one count of possession of child pornography. Both of these offenses are felonies.

Indiana State Police said that a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led to Winchester's arrest.

ISP said they received the tip in early August and that it indicated an account that was potentially being used to transmit child pornography images or video files.

Based on information investigators gathered, they requested a search warrant for what ended up being Winchester's address. After searching the address, police located Winchester on Sept. 2 and arrested him on the charges above.

Winchester is currently being held in the Scott County jail.

<https://www.wlky.com/article/southern-indiana-man-arrested-possession-child-pornography-craig-winchester/41084475#>

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MAKE ARREST FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

On March 15, 2022, Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 3 officials arrested Creighton R. Boswell, a 19-year-old male of Bourbonnais, IL, for Possession of Child Pornography (Class 2 Felony).

Following an extensive investigation, ISP Investigators made contact with Boswell in the 100 block of N. Kinzie Avenue in Bradley, IL. Several child pornography files were located on an electronic device belonging to Boswell.

Boswell is currently being held at the Jerome Combs Detention Center pending a bond hearing. The investigation remains open and on-going. No further information will be disseminated at this time.

<https://wiqiradio.com/wiqi-news/624743>

Janesville man charged with possession of child pornography

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A 58-year-old Janesville man is accused of downloading naked photos of children and claiming he thought it was legal because the victim's in the photos were not engaging in sexual acts.

Curt D. Hollis is charged in Rock County Court with three counts of possession of child pornography.

Police executed a search warrant on Hollis' residence on July 14th after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in February.

According to the criminal complaint, at least 200 images of nude pre-pubescent children were found in Hollis' Google account.

Hollis told police he likes looking at naked people of all ages and that he thought the photos were legal because of a disclaimer on the website.

Hollis is due back in court for his adjourned initial appearance on July 28th.

<https://www.wclo.com/2022/07/21/janesville-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography-2/>

Lula man charged with uploading child pornography to mobile app

By Joy Purcell
August 24, 2022

A 57-year-old Lula man was arrested and jailed for allegedly possessing pornographic images of children.

Hall County Sheriff's Office investigators say Curtis Alan Haynie uploaded sexually lewd images of young children to Kik Messenger on April 5, 2022. At this time, Haynie has been charged with two felony counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Investigators say more charges are possible once forensic processing of Haynie's electronic devices is complete.

Haynie remained in the Hall County Jail Wednesday night on a \$16,900 bond.

<https://nowhabersham.com/lula-man-charged-with-uploading-child-pornography-to-mobile-app/>

Woodbine, Iowa Man Sentenced for Child Pornography Offense

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA – A Woodbine man, Curtis Lee Jensen, age 47, was sentenced on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, to twelve years in prison for Receipt of Child Pornography.

In January of 2021, a cyber tip was sent to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding child pornography being uploaded to a KIK Messenger account. The email address was traced to Jensen and law enforcement obtained and executed a search warrant for Jensen's email and KIK account. The investigation revealed that Jensen received and distributed child pornography using his KIK account.

Jensen was sentenced to 144 months in prison. He must also serve an eight-year term of supervised release after the prison term and register as a sex offender. There is no parole in the federal system.

United States Attorney Richard D. Westphal of the Southern District of Iowa made the announcement. The Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, Internet Crimes Against Children Unit investigated the case. This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Offices for the Southern District of Iowa.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. For more information about Project Safe Childhood and resources about internet safety, please visit www.usdoj.gov/psc.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdia/pr/woodbine-iowa-man-sentenced-child-pornography-offense>

Curtis Schmitt: Tony Evers' Appointee in Jail on Child Porn Accusation

By Jim Piwowarczyk
January 20, 2022

Curtis Schmitt, a Tony Evers' appointee, is in the Milwaukee County Jail, records show, and a source tells Wisconsin Right Now he was arrested on an accusation of possessing child pornography.

Curtis Schmitt was appointed by Evers to the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs in May 2019, according to his LinkedIn page, which says he's the chairman.

Our source told Wisconsin Right Now that Schmitt brought his association with Evers up to authorities after his arrest, saying he'd met with the governor recently. The state Department of Justice's Division of Criminal Investigation was involved in the arrest. A page about the governor appointing Schmitt has been removed from the website of the Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce.

According to his LinkedIn profile, Curtis Schmitt has worked as a banker for Wells Fargo since September 2021. He is also a mayoral appointee to the Franklin, Wisconsin, Community Development Authority and Finance Committee, according to his LinkedIn page. A former combat medic in Afghanistan and Iraq, he has extensive volunteer activities. At the time of his appointment by Evers, he was membership Director of the Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce.

Milwaukee County Jail records said on January 20, 2022, that Schmitt was in custody. They list him as being held with "pending charges." His custody date is listed as January 19, 2022, and he's 39-years-old. The page includes a mugshot for Schmitt.

It's the second time in recent years that a Milwaukee-area Democrat-affiliated official has been accused of child porn allegations. Milwaukee Circuit Court Judge Brett Blomme received nine years in prison for distributing child pornography.

The "executive appointment" of Schmitt to the Board was approved on an unanimous vote. The Wisconsin legislative document on his appointment says he was named as "Congressional District 1 Representative on the Board of Veterans Affairs, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2023."

Joplin man arrested on child porn charges

By: Gretchen Bolander, Luke Sachetta

Jan 27, 2022

Said to have used Kik to stay in touch with "at least 50 child pornography groups"

JOPLIN, Mo. — A Joplin man is arrested on accusation of child pornography.

31-year-old Dakotah Gilmore was taken into custody in connection to child porn which appears to involve children ages five and under.

The charges reach back to March 27th, 2020 when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) was first tipped off about a Kik user uploading child porn.

Under the screen name "kirito13_13," an anonymous user attempted to send the illicit files to the email "codygilmore49@yahoo.com" on February 2nd.

Within these files, it was determined that nine of them contained child pornography.

Fourteen more files containing suspected child pornography were later discovered by NCMEC on November 21st, 2020. These files originated from discussions earlier that month (1st, 6th) this time from a different anonymous user but sent to a similar email "codygilmore45@yahoo.com."

NCMEC was also tipped off by Dropbox (May 27th, 2021) that child pornography was uploaded to their servers. They reported the suspect's name was Cody Gilmore with an email at "codygilmore98@gmail.com."

After they responded to the Investigative Subpoena, Medicacom supplied the subscriber information for the IP address that belonged to Gilmore, as well as geographical location of the address: 1503 S. Murphy Ln., in Joplin, Missouri.

On January 21st, after obtaining a search warrant, the southwest Missouri Cyber Crimes Task Force entered the home and arrested Gilmore.

During his interview with law enforcement, Gilmore admitted to viewing and distributing child pornography for at least two years across multiple Kik accounts. When Kik deleted these accounts for illicit use, Gilmore stated he would simply create a new Gmail address and start again; as seen in his changing Gmail names earlier.

Furthermore, Gilmore told investigators he was a member of at least 50 groups on Kik dedicated to child pornography. These groups typically only allow members access if they have distributed child pornography before.

Gilmore's mother and 12-year-old sister lived at the residence but were not present during the raid by police.

Gilmore is being held at the Greene County Jail in Springfield.

<https://fox2now.com/news/missouri/joplin-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/>

Teenager faces more than 70 counts of child pornography charges

By Paul Dolan
June 15, 2022

A teenager was arrested on more than 70 child pornography charges on Tuesday.

According to the Collier County Sheriff's Office, Daniel Delaar, 17, of Golden Gate faces 35 counts of transmission of child pornography, 35 counts of possession of child pornography, and one count of possession of child pornography with intent to promote three or more images.

The CCSO Special Crimes Bureau Exploitation Section began investigating after they got three cyber tips. Those tips came from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The tips were about transmitting dozens of files of child pornography on a Google Drive account.

Children aged from 1 to 13 were depicted in the files engaging in sex acts with adults and other children. The transmissions occurred from August 30, 2021 to September 12, 2021.

The investigation uncovered the transmissions occurred at Delaar's residence and were connected to a student email address he created. The investigation also showed Delaar logged into the Google account from devices at his residence.

Detectives got a search warrant at Delaar's residence on Tuesday and took him into custody.

<https://www.winknews.com/2022/06/14/teenager-faces-more-than-70-counts-of-child-pornography/>

Former Blair High School vice principal federally indicted on child pornography charges

Joey Safchik

Jul 22, 2022

BLAIR, Neb. —

The former vice principal and athletic director at Blair High School was federally indicted on child pornography charges on Friday.

Daniel Hutsell, 41, is charged with three counts of possession of child pornography and three counts of distribution of child pornography in federal court.

On multiple occasions in 2021, the 41-year-old is alleged to have possessed and distributed "visual depiction" of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Hutsell was released by the court, but is not allowed to have contact with anyone under the age of 18, except supervised visits with his own children. He is no longer employed by Blair Community Schools.

According to court documents, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a tip of 19 uploaded files to Stelivo, a company that runs real-time chat websites.

The Nebraska State Patrol, which began investigating Hutsell in November 2021, linked the user name that uploaded the files to his IP address, according to court documents.

Investigators described two of the uploads — one involved a girl between the ages of 8 and 10 and the other involved a boy between ages 10 and 12 with an older girl, according to court documents. In both images, the children were pictured in lewd poses, and partially or completely naked.

On Nov. 30, state and federal authorities executed a search warrant on Hutsell's home, according to court documents.

According to investigators, Hutsell admitted to using freechatnow.com to trade pornography, but he denied any involvement with child sexual abuse material.

However, when asked if he remembered seeing the image of the girl, Hutsell recalled seeing it but he advised that he "thought the girl appeared to be of age."

When an investigator asked if he thought his wife, who is a physician's assistant, would think the photo is of a child under the age of 18, Hutsell stated that "his wife would think the child is too young."

According to the search warrant, Hutsell told investigators there were "somewhere around 100 to 800" pornographic images on his laptop that he used to trade for other images on freechatnow.com.

According to court documents, state patrol investigators later obtained a second search warrant to examine Hutsell's laptop, phones and other devices, as well as cloud and social media accounts linked to his Gmail address.

About six hours after investigators left his home in November 2021, Hutsell was found seated in his car in the garage with the vehicle's engine running and he was hospitalized for several days, according to court documents.

<https://www.ketv.com/article/nebraska-former-blair-high-school-vice-principal-indicted-child-pornography-charges/40692453>

Brunswick County man accused of possessing child pornography

WWAY News
April 12, 2022

BRUNSWICK COUNTY, NC (WWAY) — A Leland man faces charges after he was allegedly caught with video and photos of children performing sexual acts.

Daniel Adam Ingram, 34, of Leland, was arrested on Monday and charged with six counts of third degree sexual exploitation of a minor and one count of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

According to warrants, the images and videos involve children whose identities are not known.

Ingram was booked into the Brunswick County Detention Facility under a \$40,000 bond.

<https://www.wwaytv3.com/brunswick-county-man-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/>

Delhi Township man arrested on child pornography charges

By WKRC

August 3rd 2022

DELHI TOWNSHIP, Ohio (WKRC) - Deputies arrested a Delhi Township man on child porn charges.

Daniel Levan faces seven counts of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor. Court documents say investigators found graphic images of young girls in Levan's possession.

Levan was arraigned Thursday morning. A judge set bond at \$700,000.

<https://local12.com/newsletter-daily/daniel-levan-child-pornography-charges-graphic-images-found-possession-cincinnati-local-12-wkrc-tristate-ohio-kentucky-indiana-news>

Brownsville man charged with possessing pornographic material of infants

By Nathaniel Puente Valley Central
2022-02-01

BROWNSVILLE (ValleyCentral) — Federal authorities have arrested a man accused of uploading hundreds of files of child pornography.

A criminal complaint was filed against Daniel Molstad, a 26-year-old Brownsville resident, on Jan. 28 after an investigation by the Rio Grande Valley Child Exploitation Investigations Task Force revealed he was uploading files of child exploitation to a Dropbox account.

On Jan. 27, investigators met with Molstad where he admitted to receiving, distributing, and possessing child pornography for around two years through online chat groups. The complaint states that child porn videos were found on the Telegram app on Molstad's phone.

Investigators determined Molstad received and/or distributed more than 200 videos of child pornography containing prepubescent children and even some instances of infants between the ages of three to six months old.

Molstad was arrested on Jan. 27. He is being held without bond.

<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/2503107620011/brownsville-man-charged-with-possessing-pornographic-material-of-infants>

16-Year-Old Hernando County Boy Charged With Possession Of Child Porn

HERNANDO COUNTY, Fla. – On Tuesday, May 25, 2022, the Hernando County Sheriff's Office received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in reference to electronic correspondence containing child pornography originating out of Hernando County.

The offense originally occurred on April 18, 2022, according to deputies.

On Tuesday, detectives identified the suspect as 16-year-old Daniel Verrier.

When investigators questioned Verrier, he told detectives he did not remember sending or viewing any online child pornography.

Through the investigation, detectives were able to confirm Verrier was in possession of the images. He was arrested on two counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

After processing at the Hernando County Detention Center, Verrier was transported to the Department of Juvenile Justice facility in Ocala.

<https://www.tampafp.com/16-year-old-hernando-county-teen-charged-with-possession-of-child-porn/>

Shreveport man charged with 1,695 counts of child porn, animal sexual abuse

By Daffney Dawson

Updated: Sep. 8, 2022

SHREVEPORT, La. (KSLA) - According to the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office, a Shreveport man has been arrested in Ohio after detectives reportedly found over 1,000 images/videos of child pornography and animal sexual abuse in his possession.

During a forensic investigation, detectives discovered Darren Dew, 32, had downloaded, saved and uploaded pornography involving children as young as three years old. A detective also found evidence of a dog being sexually abused.

Officials say Dew fled to Ohio after finding out about the investigation. He was arrested on Tuesday, Aug. 30.

Dew has been extradited back to Caddo Correctional Center and charged with 1,694 counts of child pornography and one count of animal sexual abuse.

<https://www.ksla.com/2022/08/31/shreveport-man-charged-with-1694-counts-child-porn-animal-sexual-abuse/>

Whiting man federally sentenced for child pornography

by: Ariel Pokett

Aug 3, 2022

SIOUX CITY, Iowa (KCAU) — A Siouxland man received a prison sentence on Tuesday due to receiving child pornography.

According to a release from the United States Attorney's Office, Dason Ku, 42, of Whiting, pleaded guilty after he admitted during his plea hearing to receiving visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Ku was sentenced to 5 years (60 months) in prison, and he will have to serve a five-year term of supervised release after completing his sentence. Additionally, he was ordered to pay \$15,000 in restitution to the victims, according to the release.

This case was part of Project Safe Childhood and led by the United States Attorney's office, Criminal Division's Child Exploitation, and Obscenity Section.

<https://www.siouxlandproud.com/news/local-news/whiting-man-federally-sentenced-for-child-pornography/>

Earlville Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

By David

August 22nd, 2022

An Earlville man is arrested after state police say he possessed and promoted child pornography.

28-year-old Davaun J. Chandler was arrested after an investigation by state police revealed he was in possession of and promoted images consistent with child sexual exploitation.

Chandler was charged with Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child and Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child.

He was arraigned and remanded to the Chenango County Correctional Facility on \$5,000 cash, \$10,000 bond and \$15,000 credit bail.

<https://www.wicz.com/story/47136214/earlville-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges>

Sylvania man charged with 19 counts of possession of child pornography

By: Josh Rayburn

March 15, 2022

A Sylvania man is in the DeKalb County Jail facing 19 charges of possession of child pornography.

David Bailey, 60, was arrested by the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday.

He's being held on a \$71,250 bond, according to the sheriff's office.

Details on his alleged crimes have not been released.

https://www.waaytv.com/news/sylvania-man-charged-with-19-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography/article_a10be3ee-a4ac-11ec-ac38-17a42ed90e04.html

Police: Two arrested for sexual exploitation of children

By Mike Chapman Redding Record Searchlight
Feb 12, 2022

Redding police detectives arrested a registered sex offender Friday following a five-month investigation into child pornography.

Police said they concluded their investigation into 53-year-old David Baker by obtaining an arrest warrant, interviewing him and arresting him.

The case dates back to September 2021 when detectives served a search warrant in the 600 block of Hilltop Drive where police said, "several digital media devices were seized and searched for any child pornography material."

Baker was arrested on suspicion of possessing child pornography by a registered sex offender, police said.

The Redding Police Department is part of the Sacramento Valley Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and local detectives work in cooperation with the Redding-area office of the U.S. Homeland Security Investigation to investigate tips.

"The detective division receives and investigates several cyber tips a week from various online companies throughout the United States. These tips are regarding the online sexual exploitation of children," Redding police said.

In a related case, detectives served a search warrant Jan. 31 in the 3600 block of Churn Creek Road.

Their investigation found 37-year-old Clifton Wessels of Redding in possession of child pornography and manufacturing child pornography, police said.

Detectives said they arrested and booked Wessels into Shasta County Jail.

Police say if you believe you or someone you know is being sexually exploited online, it can be reported as a cyber tip to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children website [missingkids.org](https://www.missingkids.org).

<https://www.redding.com/story/news/2022/02/12/redding-police-two-arrested-sexual-exploitation-children/6765870001/>

MIAMI (CBSMiami) – A Miami-Dade Police Officer Facing 19 Charges Related To Possession Of Child Pornography Was Arraigned In Court Friday.

April 9, 2022/CBS MIAMI

Officer David Behney, 33, was brought to TGK on Thursday night, following a weekslong investigation between the State Attorney's Office and Miami-Dade Police Department.

Floridian Spends Retirement Capturing Invasive Lizards That Threaten Native Wildlife
In court Friday, Behney's attorney asked the presiding judge, Gisela Cardonne Ely, to amend the conditions of his release by reducing his bond and allowing him to have contact with his three children, who are all under the age of 8.

Judge Cardonne Ely denied both requests and set a \$95,000 bond.

Behney, who posted bond, was also told he could not have access to weapons or the internet unless it is to contact his attorney through a Zoom call.

"In the charges there aren't any allegations related to his own children, said attorney Diego Weiner, who is representing Behney.

"I know what the charges are, and I'm not allowing any contact at this time," said Judge Cardonne Ely.

According to his arrest warrant, the investigation began back in November of last year through a cyber tip received by MDPD that was "based on a report by Kik messenger who observed child pornography being uploaded to the service," involving eleven young girls engaged in sexual acts.

On April 6 of this year, a body warrant was obtained, and his iPhone was reviewed where police "discovered eight additional videos containing child pornography." Police said some of the girls in those videos appeared to be less than eight years old.

Police began an investigation not knowing who the individual was but as they traced the IP address for the downloads, they discovered it was Behney, a Miami-Dade police officer who has been with the department for six years.

Investigators say they found 19 videos on the officer's cell phone. They were described as hardcore, explicit videos of children, believed to be between the ages of 8 and 13.

Detectives have also seized the officer's home computer and all other electronic devices and if they find additional images and videos, additional charges will be filed.

CBS4 News was told Behney was cooperating with detectives then suddenly stopped.

Miami-Dade Police Director George Perez sent out a statement that read, "Our children trust us to keep them safe and out of harm's way. Not only as law enforcement, but as a father, a crime against a child is intolerable — and will never be accepted. It sickens me to learn that one of our law enforcement officers is involved in betraying that trust. We will ensure transparency to our community and will provide an update as this investigation continues."

Steadman Stahl, the President of the South Florida PBA, told CBS4's Peter D'Oench, "It's disappointing when any police officer gets arrested. We don't have much information and we are not representing the officer in this case. It is certainly not something that any police officer would condone but we will have to see how this plays out."

"It is a little bit shocking and disappointing. We are going to have to see the evidence and how this proceeds."

<https://miami.cbslocal.com/2022/04/09/miami-dade-officer-david-behney-arrest-child-porn-charges/>

TCSO's Child Predator Unit arrests man accused of possessing child pornography

FOX23.com News Staff
September 8, 2022

The Tulsa County Sheriff's Office has arrested a 61-year-old man on child pornography charges.

Investigators with the Child Predator Unit arrested David Carter on Wednesday. Deputies received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, leading them to Carter.

Carter admitted to acting as an underage girl online so he could possess child pornography from other users online. Investigators found several child pornography images in Carter's possession when he was arrested.

Carter remains in the Tulsa County jail on a \$50,000 bond.

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/tcso-child-predator-unit-arrests-205634977.html#:~:text=Investigators%20with%20the%20Child%20Predator,pornography%20from%20other%20users%20online>

Deerfield Beach Man Accused of Storing Child Porn on College Online Account

by Wayne Roustan

Published August 15, 2022

David Anthony Caruso, 39, is accused of possessing more than 1,000 child pornography pictures and videos

A Deerfield Beach man is facing charges for allegedly storing over 1,000 child pornography files on his own Google Drive accounts and one supplied by a college in Fort Myers.

In December, Google reported 13 child pornography files had been uploaded and/or transmitted to an account belonging to a David Caruso and it was reported to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, according to the arrest report.

During the investigation, seven more Google CyberTips were linked to other Caruso accounts containing more than 200 child porn files, the report stated.

In June, the IT staff at Florida SouthWestern State College was auditing accounts it provided to current and former students. A large file with more than 25 gigabytes of child sexual abuse material was discovered in one account, and it was reported to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

The files contained pictures and videos of children ranging in age from infants to teenagers engaged in various sex acts with adults, other children and alone, the report stated.

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Investigators said they traced the account addresses to David Anthony Caruso, 39, in Deerfield Beach.

The Broward Sheriff's Office served a search warrant at his home about 6:30 a.m. Thursday. Detectives said they examined his electronic devices and found he could access the sex files in three accounts through his cellphone.

He was arrested and charged with 11 child pornography counts. He remains in the Broward County Jail on bonds totaling \$55,000.

<https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/deerfield-beach-man-accused-of-storing-child-porn-on-college-online-account/2836113/>

Red Bank 'Upskirting' Charge Leads To Indictment

A Somerset County man accused of taking lewd photos of a juvenile at a car dealership has been indicted by a Monmouth County grand jury.

Pat McDaniel, Patch Staff Posted
Jun 8, 2022 at 5:20

David M. Chapinski, 41, of the Somerset section of Franklin Township, who was accused of taking lewd photos of a juvenile female in an 'upskirting' incident, has now been indicted by a Monmouth County grand jury. (Photo courtesy Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office)

FREEHOLD, N.J.—A Monmouth County Grand Jury has indicted a Somerset County man accused of taking lewd photographs of a juvenile female at a local car dealership last year, in an incident described as "upskirting," authorities said.

David M. Chapinski, 41, of the Somerset section of Franklin Township was named in a five-count indictment, charged with first-degree manufacturing of child sexual abuse materials, second-degree manufacturing of child sexual abuse materials, third-degree invasion of privacy, and two counts of third-degree endangering the welfare of a child, Acting Monmouth County Prosecutor Lori Linskey said Wednesday.

The incident took place shortly after 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 2, 2021, at the Auto Exotica car dealership on Newman Springs Road in Red Bank, according to an investigation by members of the Red Bank Police Department, assisted by members of the Prosecutor's Office, authorities said.

The investigation showed that, while at the dealership, a man later identified as Chapinski approached a teenage girl wearing a dress, who was on site looking at vehicles with her parents and two siblings. He placed his cell phone flat in the palm of his hand, and surreptitiously positioned it between the girl's legs from behind in order to record photographs, according to the prosecutor's office.

Chapinski was arrested without incident and criminally charged in August 2021. "The act of 'upskirting' isn't just disturbing, degrading and demeaning – it's illegal," Linskey said.

She urged anyone who may have been victimized in this way to contact Monmouth County Prosecutor Sgt. Shawn Murphy at 800-533-7443 or Red Bank Police Department Detective Sean Hauschildt at 732-530-2700.

If convicted of the first-degree crime he is charged with, Chapinski would face up to 20 years in state prison, with the possibility of up to 10 years for a conviction on the second-degree charge.

The case was assigned to Monmouth County Assistant Prosecutor Ryan Lavender. Chapinski is represented by Richard G. Potter of Hackensack.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/redbank/red-bank-upskirting-charge-results-indictment>

Snyder County man had hundreds of child porn images, police say

Marcia Moore, The Daily Item, Sunbury, Pa.
February 1, 2022

Feb. 1—MIDDLEBURG — A Mount Pleasant Mills man already facing trial on five counts of child pornography has been charged with 160 additional counts of possessing sexually explicit images of children.

David R. Cool, 42, waived a preliminary hearing and the 160 felony charges of child porn have been transferred to Snyder County Court.

He was first arrested last May following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children which led state police at Selinsgrove to execute a search warrant at Cool's Perry Township home.

A computer owned by Cool contained images of child pornography, said police who initially charged him with five counts of child pornography. An omnibus hearing is scheduled for March 10 in county court.

More charges have since been filed after experts found 160 additional sexually explicit images of minors on two of Cool's email accounts.

Cool admitted to possessing the images, court records said.

<https://sports.yahoo.com/snyder-county-man-had-hundreds-181700294.html#:~:text=David%20R.,transferred%20to%20Snyder%20County%20Court.&text=A%20computer%20owned%20by%20Cool,five%20counts%20of%20child%20pornography>

Winooski man faces child porn charges, pleads not guilty

By WCAX News Team

Mar. 19, 2022

BURLINGTON, Vt. (WCAX) - A Winooski man is facing child pornography charges, according to the State's Attorney General's Office.

The AG says David Donaldson, 50, of Winooski had images of child pornography within his Google account. Investigators say they received a tip.

Donaldson is facing two felony counts of child sex abuse materials.

He pleaded not guilty in court Thursday and the Judge set a \$75,000 bail and ordered Donaldson has no access to the internet, minors, or devices capable of connecting to the internet.

<https://www.wcax.com/2022/03/19/winooski-man-faces-child-porn-charges-pleads-not-guilty/>

Panama City Beach man arrested on child porn charges

By: S. Brady Calhoun

Mar 16, 2022

PANAMA CITY BEACH, Fla. (WMBB) — A Panama City Beach man was arrested after investigators said they found multiple videos and images of child pornography on his phone.

Florida Department of Law Enforcement agents confronted 53-year-old David Scott Foster in January after getting a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. According to court records he confessed to possessing the illegal material.

Foster was arrested Tuesday. He is charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography. He is being held in the Bay County Jail on a \$150,000 bond.

<https://www.mypanhandle.com/news/local-news/panama-city-beach-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/>

Two arrested after child pornography investigation

By: K. Query-
Thompson/KFOR

Feb 8, 2022

OKLAHOMA CITY (KFOR) – Investigators have arrested two people in Oklahoma City following a child pornography case.

In November of 2021, Oklahoma City detectives received a tip about possible child pornography.

Following a thorough investigation, authorities arrested two people on Feb. 7 in the 1100 block of S.E. 44th St.

Police arrested 42-year-old David Clinton Holden on two counts of forcible oral sodomy, two counts of production of child pornography, and two counts of aggravated possession of child pornography.

Authorities also arrested 43-year-old Traci Brianna Valair on one count of lewd acts with a child.

<https://kfor.com/news/local/two-arrested-after-child-pornography-investigation/>

Centralia man charged with more child porn-related crimes

By Matthew
Sanders

August 24, 2022

COLUMBIA, Mo. (KMIZ)

A Centralia man charged last week with trying to get explicit photos of a girl was charged Tuesday with possessing and promoting child pornography.

David L. Hoppock, 33, was charged earlier this month with attempted child enticement for allegedly sending sexual photos to a young girl and asking her to send photos back. On Tuesday, prosecutors added a charge of child porn possession and two charges of promoting child pornography based on evidence found in the initial investigation.

Investigators found videos on Hoppock's cellphone after they seized it in relation to his arrest earlier this month, according to a probable cause statement. They also connected Hoppock to messages sent last year on the Kik app that contained child pornography, the statement says.

Hoppock was in the Boone County Jail on Wednesday with no bond. An initial appearance in his newest case is set for Thursday morning.

<https://abc17news.com/news/crime/2022/08/24/centralia-man-charged-with-more-child-porn-related-crimes/>

UVA doctor enters guilty pleas in child pornography case

By NBC29 Newsroom

Jan. 19, 2022

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (WVIR) - The University of Virginia Medical Center is reviewing the employment status of one of its neurologists who has admitted to child pornography charges.

The Daily Progress reports 37-year-old Doctor David Lapedes enter guilty pleas Tuesday, January 18, to two felony charges of possession, reproduction, distribution, solicitation and facilitation of child pornography. The charges each carry a maximum prison term of 20 years.

UVA Medical Center says Lapedes is currently on unpaid administrative leave.

Lapedes has been held at the Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail since his arrest back on July 22, 2021. He is set to be sentenced May 17 in Charlottesville Circuit Court.

<https://www.nbc29.com/2022/01/19/uva-doctor-enters-guilty-pleas-child-pornography-case/>

Terre Haute man arrested on charges of possession of child pornography

VIGO CO.-The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force arrested an 18-year-old man from Terre Haute Wednesday.

The investigation began in June 2022, when a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) was received by the ICAC Task Force.

As a result of the investigation, a search warrant was obtained by Vigo County Division 6 Court and served yesterday at 1506 South 10th Street, in Terre Haute. Based on preliminary findings as a result of the search warrant, David E. Pasko Jr., of Terre Haute was interviewed and subsequently taken into custody. He is currently being held in the Vigo County Jail on felony charges of child exploitation and five counts of possession of child pornography.

Anyone having any information related to crimes against children is encouraged to contact their local law enforcement agency or visit the NCMEC website at <http://www.missingkids.com/hom> and find the link to make a CYBERTIPLINE report.

<https://www.wbiw.com/2022/08/31/terre-haute-man-arrested-on-charges-of-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Greentown man charged with possession of child porn

Kim Dunlap, Kokomo Tribune, Ind.
August 16, 2022

Aug. 16—A Greentown man is now under arrest after police removed several devices from his home that they say contained images of children as young as 4 years old engaging in sexual activity.

David R. Petty, 47, Greentown, is facing seven counts of possession of child pornography with an aggravating factor, all Level 5 felonies, and three counts of possession of child pornography, all Level 6 felonies, for his alleged role in the investigation, according to a Kokomo Police Department media release.

The investigation into Petty's alleged actions began on Sept. 9, 2021.

That's when members of the KPD's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

That tip was generated by Twitter and included two images depicting child sexual abuse material, per the release.

Investigators say the account determined to be transmitting that content was reportedly Petty's.

Back in May, a search warrant was obtained for Petty's residence in the 200 block of South Howard Street in Greentown.

During that search, four cell phones, two tablets, one hard drive, one laptop and one all-in-one computer were seized, according to court records, and they were taken into evidence for further evaluation.

And what authorities reportedly discovered on some of those devices, per the affidavit, were images or videos of children — mostly between the ages of four to 16 — engaged in sexually explicit activity, either with each other or with other adult men.

On Aug. 11, a warrant was issued for Petty's arrest, and police say he turned himself into the Howard County Jail the next day without incident.

After being booked into the jail, Petty was sent to work release, and he has a status hearing at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 4 inside Howard Superior Court 2.

<https://news.yahoo.com/greentown-man-charged-possession-child-222300842.html>

Schaumburg man facing child pornography charges

By Fox 32 Digital Staff
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Crime and Public Safety
FOX 32 Chicago

David Prince, 24, was arrested Monday in the 1500 block of Somerset Lane in Schaumburg and charged with possession of child pornography, according to a statement from the Cook County Sheriff's Office.

Acting on a cyber tip, investigators executed a search warrant for Prince's residence where they seized his cell phone and other electronic devices, the sheriff's office said.

Prince reportedly told investigators he used social media apps to share more than two dozen pornographic images and videos of children under the age of 13, the statement said. Prince appeared Wednesday in the Rolling Meadows Courthouse where he was issued a \$30,000 bail, the sheriff's office said. He was released after he paid 10% of his bond.

<https://www.fox32chicago.com/news/schaumburg-man-facing-child-pornography-charges>

Gadsden man arrested for possessing, distributing child porn

By: Phil Pinarski

Mar 22, 2022

ETOWAH COUNTY, Ala. (WIAT) — Authorities in Etowah County arrested a man last week after he was allegedly found in possession of child pornography.

David Elijah Trimble, 44, was charged with 30 counts of possessing child pornography and one count of intent to distribute the obscene material on March 17.

According to the Etowah County Sheriff's Office, Trimble was arrested after deputies received a tip from the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The Rainbow City Police Department assisted ECSO in taking Trimble into custody.

During a search of Trimble's residence, police were able to discover an electronic device that contained images of child pornography.

Trimble was being held at the Etowah County Detention Center, but was released Tuesday after posting a \$630,000 bond. ECSO says more charges against Trimble are expected to come.

While out on bond, Trimble is to have no internet access, no smartphone or electronic devices and no unsupervised contact with anyone under the age of 18.

<https://www.cbs42.com/news/crime/gadsden-man-arrested-for-possessing-distributing-child-porn/>

Attorney General Paxton's Law Enforcement Round Up

September 15, 2022 | Press Release | Criminal Justice/Prosecution

CHILD EXPLOITATION UNIT

In Bastrop County, David Michael Vocal was arrested on August 24 for one count of possession of child pornography. Child Exploitation Unit investigators executed a search warrant at Vocal's residence, where he was located and arrested. Investigators seized multiple digital media devices to be examined by the Digital Forensics Unit. Vocal admitted ownership of the accounts and the existence of contraband material on his tablet and cell phone when being interviewed by investigators. This case was received as a NCMEC CyberTipline report involving the upload of child pornography to a DropBox account.

<https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/news/releases/attorney-general-paxtons-law-enforcement-round>

South Carolina
Attorney General
Alan Wilson

Sumter Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

AUG 23, 2022

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of David Wayne Crouse, 37, of Sumter, S.C., on five charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Attorney General's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Shaw Air Force Base Office of Special Investigations and Sumter Police Department, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Crouse. Investigators state Crouse possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Crouse was arrested on August 22, 2022. He is charged with five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

<https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/sumter-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/>

APSO: Registered sex offender arrested for 100 counts of child pornography

By KALB Digital
Team

Mar. 28, 2022

AVOYELLES PARISH, La. (KALB) - According to the Avoyelles Parish Sheriff's Office, a Cottonport man has been arrested for 100 counts of child pornography.

Deadrick Taylor, 41, is a convicted sex offender registered in Avoyelles Parish from charges back in January 2007 for molestation of a juvenile.

Following an investigation by APSO and the Louisiana Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Taylor was arrested on March 23 on the above charge. Taylor was booked into the Avoyelles Parish Sheriff's Office DC-1 Jail Facility. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Taylor remains in jail at this time. APSO said the investigation is ongoing and there may be more charges.

<https://www.kalb.com/2022/03/28/apso-registered-sex-offender-arrested-100-counts-child-pornography/>

Shreveport man arrested for allegedly possessing child porn now faces 132 more charges

By Daffney Dawson and Alex Onken

Published: Jul. 26, 2022

SHREVEPORT, La. (KSLA) - A Shreveport man now faces a new slew of charges following his initial arrest, according to authorities.

Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office detectives arrested a Shreveport man Tuesday, July 26 after allegedly finding child porn on his electronic devices.

Deaundrick Fuller, 22, was booked into Caddo Correctional Center and charged with 16 counts of pornography involving juveniles.

Officials say a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led detectives to discover four videos posted on Fuller's social media account, along with two videos and 10 images in his electronic devices.

In a news release sent Aug. 1, CPSO said Fuller faces 132 more charges:

"Further investigation led detectives to 128 more files of child pornography and four files of sexual acts involving horses and a dog. This brings the total charges to 144 counts of pornography involving juveniles and four counts of sexual abuse of an animal."

CPSO

The investigation is ongoing, and more charges may be added in the future, authorities said.

<https://www.ksla.com/2022/07/26/shreveport-man-arrested-allegedly-possessing-child-porn/>

Roy man arrested on child pornography charges

By Mark Shenefelt

Jun 10, 2022

OGDEN — Prosecutors filed charges Friday against a Roy man who was arrested on allegations that he uploaded videos depicting the sexual abuse of a female toddler.

Demontrel Vernon, 29, faces 10 counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor after his arrest Thursday by Roy police.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on Wednesday alerted the Roy Police Department that a Google user had uploaded explicit sexual abuse videos. Charging documents by the Weber County Attorney's Office said police traced the uploads to an account allegedly belonging to Vernon.

Two videos showed a man raping or otherwise sexually abusing a toddler, the arrest affidavit said. Vernon also allegedly possessed dozens of similar videos and photos.

Vernon was detained in Utah County and taken to Roy for a police interview. The arrest affidavit said Vernon waived his Miranda rights and agreed to speak with detectives. He allegedly admitted that he was the man shown in the two videos, according to the arrest affidavit. Vernon allegedly told police he wanted to "feel the power" he had over the victim.

Vernon was held at the Weber County Jail. He did not have an attorney of record as of Friday afternoon.

<https://www.standard.net/police-fire/2022/jun/10/roy-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Four men charged with sexual abuse of children

by: Vivian Muniz

Posted: Apr 13, 2022

ILFORD, PIKE COUNTY (WBRE/WYOU) — The Pike County District Attorney's Office is teaming up with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to get child predators off the street.

Officials announced the arrest of four men who were recently charged with sexual abuse of children, the official crime defining child pornography offenses.

According to Pike County District Attorney Ray Tonkin, the men accused are Jason Hook, 34, of Dingmans Ferry, Eric Davis, 38, of Shohola, Matthew Kidd, 26, of Matamoras, and Dennis Kelly, 74, of Milford.

Officials stated each investigation started with a cyber tip that a person was interacting with apparent child pornography online.

Investigators say they received a cyber tip for Jason Hook that led to police finding he was sexually abusing a child. Hook is charged with rape of a child, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, statutory sexual assault, aggravated indecent assault, corruption of minors, and unlawful contact or communication with a minor.

Mathew Kidd, Eric Davis, and Dennis Kelly were located by investigators and charged with dissemination- photo/video of child sex acts, criminal use of communication facility, and child pornography.

<https://www.pahomepage.com/news/crime-courts/four-men-charged-with-sexual-abuse-of-children/>

Menlo Park resident arrested on suspicion of possessing child pornography

by Cameron Rebosio / Almanac
Sep 15, 2022

Menlo Park Police said they arrested 77-year-old Menlo Park resident Dennis Davis Terry in connection with an ongoing child pornography case.

In July, the Menlo Park Police Department Investigations Division received a tip from the Silicon Valley Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force that led them to view Terry as a suspect. Terry was taken into custody Sept. 14 and served with three search warrants that led to the recovery of evidence, police said in a press release.

Dennis Terry's wife, Juliet Terry, denies the allegations against her husband and says he is seeking immediate mental health care.

He was booked into San Mateo County Main Jail on suspicion of felony possession of obscene matter. Police said they are working to identify other individuals involved.

<https://www.almanacnews.com/news/2022/09/15/menlo-park-resident-arrested-on-suspicion-of-possessing-child-pornography>

Child Pornography Arrest

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BULLHEAD CITY, Ariz. – October 28, 2022 – Bullhead City Police detectives arrested Derek John Hemond, 40, for sexual exploitation of a minor.

Bullhead City Police received information from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) of an unknown person in the Bullhead City area in possession of images and videos of child pornography.

After further investigation by Bullhead City detectives, Derek Hemond was identified as the suspect. On October 26, a search warrant was served at his residence in the 400 block of Moser Avenue. He was arrested and booked into the Mohave County Jail in Kingman.

<https://www.thebee.news/child-pornography-arrest-2/>

Rock County man faces child porn charges

By WIFR Newsroom

Jul. 12, 2022

ROCK COUNTY, Wis. (WIFR) - A search warrant for a man in Rock Township, Wis. resulted in his arrest on Tuesday.

Derek M. Miller, 36, faces five counts of possession of child pornography.

Rock County Sheriff's SWAT deputies, detectives and digital forensics investigators executed the search warrant in the 1700 block of W. Happy Hollow Rd. where law enforcement says they found evidence that Miller was in violation of WI State Statute Chapter 948, Crimes Against Children.

Miller is being held at the Rock County jail and is due in court Wednesday, July 123 at 3 p.m.

<https://www.wifr.com/2022/07/12/rock-county-man-faces-child-porn-charges/>

Summerfield man arrested for child pornography

By WCJB Staff

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SUMMERFIELD, Fla. (WCJB) - Marion County Sheriff's Deputies arrested a Summerfield man on more than two dozen charges related to child pornography.

Deputies say Derek Rummel, 38, uploaded multiple files depicting child sex abuse to a social media account.

Detectives interviewed Rummel who admitted to sending child porn to other users online.

Due to the nature of the files, detectives suspect he may have victimized children.

<https://www.wcjb.com/2022/08/02/summerfield-man-arrested-child-pornography/>

Hancock sheriff's deputy fired, arrested after tip leads to child sex crime charges

By Justin Mitchell
February 11, 2022

A Hancock County sheriff's deputy was arrested on two counts of exploitation of children and access child pornography Friday after a tip was submitted to the National Center for Missing and Exploited children, the sheriff's department said in a press release. The cyber-crime tip was forwarded to the sheriff's office on Tuesday. Hancock County immediately turned over the investigation to the Cyber Crimes Division of the Mississippi Attorney General's office.

The AG's office executed warrants and arrested deputy Derrick Flanagan in Gulfport. He was terminated from his employment with the Hancock County Sheriff's Office.

Flanagan is held without bond and is awaiting an initial court appearance, according to court records. The FBI is also working with the Cyber Crimes Division of the AG's office in the ongoing investigation.

<https://www.sunherald.com/news/local/crime/article258300143.html>

State agents make child pornography arrest in Plain City

By Staff

Mar 25, 2022

PLAIN CITY — A Plain City man on probation for a sex offense has been arrested for allegedly uploading child sexual abuse imagery to a social media application and possessing dozens of similar files.

The Utah Attorney General's Office on Thursday filed 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony, against Derrick Manley, 20.

A probable cause statement said the social media company reported someone uploaded 22 explicit child sexual abuse images in October and investigators traced them to Manley. Detectives said a records check showed Manley was on probation in 2nd District Court on a conviction of attempted sexual exploitation of a minor.

Investigators served a search warrant at Manley's address on Tuesday and arrested him, the affidavit said. Agents seized electronic devices, one that contained 69 more explicit child abuse images, the affidavit said.

Manley was ordered held without bail in the Weber County Jail.

The case was investigated by the attorney general's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

<https://www.standard.net/police-fire/2022/mar/25/state-agents-make-child-pornography-arrest-in-plain-city/>

18-Year Old Arrested For Pornography Involving Juveniles

July 12, 2022

Destany Ann Marie Amburgey, 18, Berwick, LA, was arrested on July 11, 2022, at 11:05 am for pornography involving juveniles under the age of thirteen and pornography involving juveniles under the age of thirteen-distribution.

On April 8, 2022, a detective with the Investigations Division of the SMPSO met with a detective with the MCPD regarding a case of child pornography that had been sent by the ICAC Task Force with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office.

The investigation was turned over to the SMPSO Investigations Division and through the investigation, photographic evidence was obtained from Amburgey's possession which led to the charges and arrest. Amburgey was transported to the St. Mary Parish Law Enforcement Center for booking.

Bail has not been set at this time.

<https://kqknews.com/18-year-old-arrested-for-pornography-involving-juveniles/#:~:text=Destany%20Ann%20Marie%20Amburgey%2C%2018,the%20age%20of%20thirteen%2Ddistribution>

Internet Crimes Against Children: Etowah, RBC investigations lead to 22 arrests this year

Donna Thornton The Gadsden Times
May 2, 2022

Investigators with the Etowah County Sheriff's Office and Rainbow City Police Department conducted four warranted searches Thursday, and made four arrests for child pornography and other charges.

Sheriff Jonathon Horton and RBC Chief John Bryant said the investigators, who are part of the state's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, have made 22 arrests since the first of the year in connection with pornography investigations.

Arrests Thursday included a father and son, Horton said, who were charged with possession of child pornography.

Bryant said since the end of February, two of the department's detectives have been conducting online chats that have resulted in seven arrests, on charges ranging from sending explicit images to minors to traveling to meet a minor for sex.

Arrests have been made in Alabama, and in other states as well. Some offenders are awaiting extradition to Alabama.

Both Bryant and Horton expressed appreciation for the investigative team's efforts. "We understand it takes dedication and long hours working the cases mentioned," they said in a joint statement, "but the investigators work tirelessly to help ensure children are being protected."

Other agencies were involved as well: Jacksonville and Leesburg police in Alabama; Houston, El Paso, Louisville, New Albany (Indiana), Grand Rapids (Michigan) and Colorado Springs police departments elsewhere in the U.S.; Harris County (Texas), Ottawa County (Michigan) and El Paso County (Colorado) sheriff's offices; and the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles.

Arrests made since Jan. 1 included:

- Travis Lynn Butler II, 52, arrested Thursday, charged with 20 counts of possession of child pornography;
- Travis Lynn Bulter III, 25, arrested Thursday, charged with nine counts of possession of child pornography;
- Devin Wayne Lankford, 19, arrested Thursday, charged with 11 counts of possession of child pornography;

- Aaron Vandebout, 46, arrested April 20, charged with 10 counts of transmitting obscene material to a child;
- Kevin Swiderski, 44, arrested March 7, charged with two counts of traveling to meet a child for sex;
- Kyle Cain, 37, arrested March 15, charged with transmitting obscene material to a child.

The 22 arrests cited included other cases previously reported, and some arrested in other locations, awaiting extradition.

Another arrest was for drug possession, and seven were arrested on charges of chemical endangerment of a child.

<https://www.gadsdentimes.com/story/news/2022/05/02/authorities-make-child-porn-arrests/9614224002/>

Fontana man is arrested on child pornography charges on April 26

May 2, 2022

A 35-year-old Fontana man was arrested on child pornography charges, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Devon Alanis was allegedly downloading and distributing child pornography over the internet.

On April 26, a search warrant was served at the suspect's residence in the 14600 block of Woodland Drive. During the search warrant, detectives seized multiple electronic devices.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-man-is-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-on-april-26/article_60399586-c695-11ec-baf9-7b3a7b3a8cef.html

Watertown man charged with possession of child pornography after Thursday arrest, police say

Watertown Public Opinion USA TODAY Network

July 14, 2022

A Watertown man has been arrested and charged with two counts of possession of child pornography, according to a news release from the Watertown Police Department.

Devon Vandebroke, 29, was arrested after police searched a home in the 300 block of Fifth Avenue Southwest, according to the release.

The search warrant was executed as part of an ongoing investigation into the possession and distribution of child pornography, according to police.

Vandebroke is in custody at the Codington County Detention Center on a \$5,000 cash bond. He is on parole in connection to prior charges of child pornography possession, according to the release. That charge is from 2017.

The Watertown Police Department was assisted by the Codington County Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

<https://www.thepublicopinion.com/story/news/courts/2022/07/14/watertown-man-charged-possession-child-pornography/10063786002/>

Sonora Man Arrested For Having Obscene Material

By Tracey Peterson

Published Oct 6, 2022

Sonora, CA — A tip recently from a national network devoted to crimes against children led to the arrest of a Sonora man.

Tuolumne County Sheriff's officials received word from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force regarding the possession of child pornography by an internet user within Tuolumne County. Throughout the investigation, detectives served several search warrants, including one at a home on Creekside Drive in Sonora that turned up several items of evidence related to obscene material involving minors that were seized.

Detectives questioned an individual, 41-year-old Donald Gorgas, regarding the material evidence. He was subsequently arrested for possession of child pornography and placed on \$10,000 bail. It is unclear whether any local children were found in any of the confiscated materials or exactly what items were taken from the home. Sheriff's spokesperson Ashley Boujikian advised, "This investigation is ongoing and no further information will be released at this time."

<https://www.mymotherlode.com/news/local/2781408/sonora-man-arrested-for-having-obscene-material.html>

Lakeland man, 71, charged with child pornography, deputies say

by: Dylan Abad

Posted: May 25, 2022

POLK COUNTY, Fla. (WFLA) — A 71-year-old Lakeland man was arrested Tuesday after deputies said he pretended to be a 17-year-old girl online to “engage in explicit sexual conversations” with a minor.

Deputies said Donald McClendon, Jr., 71, was charged with two counts of possession of child pornography after authorities found flash drives that belonged to him containing two images of children as young as 5-years-old being sexually battered.

According to a news release, McClendon told detectives he pretended to be a 16 or 17-year-old girl online and used a photo of a minor as his profile picture. McClendon also admitted the flash drives that contained the child pornography were his.

McClendon’s devices were seized and are pending examination. He faces more charges pending the discovery of additional child pornography content.

“This investigation is still ongoing – more charges related to the felony possession and distribution of images and videos of children being sexually battered are possible after we do a complete forensic analysis on his devices,” Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd said.

McClendon is currently in the Volusia County Jail being held with no bond on the Polk County warrant. He will be transferred to the Polk County Jail.

He was previously charged with aggravated battery and domestic violence battery, according to the Polk County Sheriff’s Office.

<https://www.wfla.com/news/polk-county/lakeland-man-71-charged-with-child-pornography-deputies-say/>

Horry County Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

AUG 30, 2021

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Donovan Taylor Kifer, 23, of Conway, S.C., on 10 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Horry County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the S.C. Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Kifer. Investigators state Kifer distributed multiple files of child sexual abuse material.

Kifer was arrested on August 27, 2021. He is charged with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

<https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/horry-county-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-8/>

Man arrested for child pornography in Wakulla County

By Raghad Hamad
Mar. 23, 2022

WAKULLA COUNTY, Fla. (WCTV) - A man was arrested in Wakulla County on charges including possession of child pornography and possession of child-like sex dolls, according to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office.

Donovan Sauleda, 35, was caught on Tuesday during a search warrant executed by Criminal Investigations Division Detectives and Special Agents of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, said the WCSO.

During the search, numerous electronic devices were found and seized from the convicted sex offender's bedroom for further investigation. Investigators found four childlike sex dolls with children's-sized clothing, with three of the dolls that appeared to be true to life, according to WCSO.

It was discovered, according to authorities, that Sauleda was profiting from manufacturing and distributing child pornography.

Sauleda has been a registered sex offender since 2013 when he was found guilty of using a computer to solicit or lure a child to engage in sexual conduct and traveling to meet a minor to commit unlawful sexual offense, WCSO said.

Investigators found two telephone numbers and six social media accounts that were linked to the physical address of 87 Brown Boulevard, Crawfordville, Fla and Sauleda.

Sauleda is currently on probation with a stipulation prohibiting him from utilizing or accessing the internet, according to WCSO.

Sauleda was arrested with numerous charges including possession of computer child pornography, possession of a childlike sex doll, and failure to register internet identifiers and telephone numbers, according to WCSO.

Sauleda was transported and booked into the Wakulla County Jail on Tuesday.

<https://www.wctv.tv/2022/03/23/man-arrested-child-pornography-wakulla-county/>

Peoria man facing Child Porn charges

Peoria, IL, USA 1470 & 100.3 WMBD Will Stevenson
2022

Mar 16,

PEORIA, Ill. – Not much is known, but a Peoria man is facing child pornography charges.

Court records indicate a grand jury has indicted Dontorrion Stuckey, 30, with a count of Child Pornography.

He allegedly had a photo in his possession that he knew to be of a minor, when he was originally arrested March fourth.

Stuckey is jailed on \$40,000 bond and will be in court for arraignment Thursday.

<https://www.1470wmbd.com/2022/03/16/peoria-man-facing-child-porn-charges/>

WYCKOFF, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTION AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD, AND IMPERSONATION

For Immediate Release:
May 6, 2022

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of DOUGLAS HOEHN (DOB: 9/05/1947; single; retired) of 435 Carlton Road, Wyckoff, NJ on charges of distribution and possession of child pornography, endangering the welfare of a child, and impersonation. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Wednesday, May 4, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of DOUGLAS HOEHN during the course of a months-long Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that HOEHN used the Internet to view, download, possess, and distribute files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit pubescent children. In addition, detectives uncovered multiple fraudulent ID cards and also discovered that HOEHN assumed the identity of a child on the Internet while having online conversations with others.

As a result of the investigation, DOUGLAS HOEHN was arrested on Wednesday, May 4, 2021 in Paramus, NJ and charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(a)i; third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii), third-degree endangering the welfare of a child, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4a(1); and third degree impersonation, N.J.S.A. 2C:21-17a(1). HOEHN was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

This investigation, led by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit, is continuing. Any parent or guardian who determines that their child received inappropriate communications from social media accounts using the name "Brady Johnson" may contact the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Tips Line at (201) 226-5532.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Wyckoff Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Saddle Brook Police Department, Lyndhurst Police Department, and the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, which all participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.bcpo.net/wyckoff-nj-man-charged-with-distribution-and-possession-of-child-pornography-endangering-the-welfare-of-a-child-and-impersonation/>

Valley Head man arrested, charged with 106 counts of child pornography

By Javon Williams

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FORT PAYNE, Ala. (WAFF) - A Valley Head man was arrested on 106 child pornography charges on Friday.

The DeKalb County Investigations Division had been investigating a case regarding child pornography. An investigator with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that someone in DeKalb County had been involved in sharing and downloading child pornography on a social media platform.

Dustin Blake Burt, 27 was questioned and found to be in possession of illegal images and videos containing child pornography. Burt was charged with 77 counts of possession of child pornography and 29 counts of dissemination of child pornography.

This is what DeKalb County Sheriff Nick Welden said about the arrest:

“Every child is a gift from God, and all deserve unconditional love and protection. Our children are the innocent victims and will be affected by this for the rest of their lives. They deserve carefree days full o[f] love, laughter and new adventures, not the pain crimes like this will bring. Any crime of this nature will not be tolerated.”

<https://www.waff.com/2022/10/28/valley-head-man-arrested-charged-with-106-counts-child-pornography/>

Hickory man faces child pornography charges

WSOCTV.com News Staff
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A Newton man was arrested in connection with an investigation into allegations of uploading and downloading images and videos containing child pornography.

Investigators searched a home in the 3600 block of 33rd Avenue NE in Hickory and seized electronic devices that had media suspected to show child abuse.

Resident Dwyane Mark Duncan, of Hickory, was arrested and has been charged with one count of second-degree exploitation of a minor and one count of third-degree exploitation of a minor.

Duncan received a \$100,000 secured bond and had a first appearance in Catawba County District Court on Thursday.

This investigation is ongoing, and additional charges are pending.

https://sports.yahoo.com/hickory-man-faces-child-pornography-235416851.html?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xlLmNvbS8&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAA Hd0MaYtEKasleH0L85nK2XTtePfCniuta18AeMZ6WmrCuhvJynRjddbEMO34WRMGxRiO88OuAQQBjvdOtAHiwB9S WvsPx-dni9JIMZFDIuAYc3imqUj3Zfk3dd5BTsmZel-bwWKZMYmO5V19Pof9QgawEQTrA_GzIOcLNx_7vNi#:~:text=Resident%20Dwyane%20Mark%20Duncan%2C%20o f,degree%20exploitation%20of%20a%20minor.&text=Duncan%20received%20a%20%24100%2C000%20secured,Co unty%20District%20Court%20on%20Thursday

US Attorney's Office recommends Jefferson City man get 10 years in prison for child porn possession as part of a plea agreement

By Karl Wehmhoener
April 12, 2022

Dylan Applegate Cole County JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (KMIZ)

A Jefferson City man has reached a plea agreement with the United States Attorney's Office to plead guilty to one count of possession of child pornography.

Prosecutors will recommend Dylan Applegate, 26, get a 10 year sentence.

The Boone County Cyber Crime Taskforce received an online tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on Sept. 1, 2021, about a Snapchat user "uglybeardgod" who had uploaded two videos to Snapchat believed to be child porn. A detective viewed the videos showing two prepubescent females engaging in sexual conduct.

According to court documents, Snapchat gave information regarding the user to investigators and determined the suspect lived at the apartment on the 100 block of Venture Avenue in Jefferson City. Detectives identified Applegate as a potential suspect after getting his name from Google who confirmed the email was registered to him.

A detective on the case reported finding Applegate with a possible address in Linn.

Detectives located Applegate in Jefferson City after confirming he registered a vehicle that was at the Jefferson City apartment.

On Feb. 16, law enforcement executed a search warrant at Applegate's Jefferson City apartment and seized numerous electronic devices.

During a post-Miranda interview, Applegate admitted to downloading and uploading child porn to the internet.

<https://abc17news.com/news/crime/court-and-trials/2022/04/12/us-attorneys-office-recommends-jefferson-city-man-get-10-years-in-prison-for-child-porn-possession-as-part-of-a-plea-agreement/>

Redding man caught uploading child porn, arrested on Wednesday

by Adam Robinson
August 24th 2022

Wednesday,

REDDING, Calif. — A Redding man was arrested on Wednesday after being found with child porn and a concealed firearm.

In May and June of this year, the Redding Police Department (RPD) was contacted by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) about child porn being uploaded to a Google account in the Redding area.

Detectives investigated the tips from the ICAC and learned the account belonged to 25-year-old Eduardo Esquivel.

The RPD said their detectives obtained search warrants for multiple cloud accounts belonging to Esquivel, as well as his electronics devices, home and vehicle. The search confirmed Esquivel was in possession of child porn.

At around 2 p.m. on Wednesday, officers arrested Esquivel at his home in Redding. During his arrest, police said they found a handgun inside his backpack and no permit. Ultimately, Esquivel was booked into the Shasta County Jail for the possession of child porn and possession of a concealed handgun.

<https://krctv.com/news/local/redding-man-caught-uploading-child-porn-arrested-on-wednesday>

Man jailed in Florida to be extradited back to Fayette on child porn charges

By Ben Nelms

May 2, 2022

Former Fayette County man jailed in Florida on charges of possessing and distributing child abuse material.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) on April 27 announced that former Fayette County resident Elan Ben-Hanania, 30, was arrested and charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of children-possession of child sexual abuse material and three counts sexual exploitation of children-distribution of child sexual abuse material by the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit.

Ben-Hanania currently resides in Orlando, Fla., where he is in custody and awaiting extradition, the GBI press release said.

The GBI CEACC Unit began an investigation into Ben-Hanania's online activity after receiving cybertips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the online possession and distribution of images depicting child sexual abuse material (CSAM), according to GBI.

"The investigation revealed the identity of the subject, Ben-Hanania, and that the possession and distribution of the CSAM occurred within Fayette County, Ga.," the GBI press release said. "At the time that arrest warrants were obtained for Ben-Hanania, he had relocated to Orlando, Fla. The GBI obtained assistance from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) in locating and arresting Ben-Hanania on the criminal charges from Georgia."

This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the child pornography trade, according to the press release.

The ICAC Program, created by the U.S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the internet, the proliferation of child sexual abuse material and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims.

<https://thecitizen.com/2022/05/02/man-jailed-in-florida-to-be-extradited-back-to-fayette-on-child-porn-charges/>

Child Pornography Charges Filed Against Enfield Resident

More than 140 videos were discovered on a man's cell phone, depicting pornography involving children as young as 6 months old.

Tim Jensen, Patch Staff
Aug 12, 2022

Updated Fri,

ENFIELD, CT — An Enfield resident turned himself in at police headquarters Thursday afternoon after learning of a warrant for his arrest on charges of possessing child pornography.

Elinilton DeOliveira, 27, was charged with first-degree illegal possession of child pornography, and was held on a \$75,000 cash bond. He was slated to be arraigned Friday, Police Chief Alaric Fox said.

In June 2021, Enfield police received a tip from the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children. An IP address revealed during an investigation yielded two pornographic images of girls appearing to be between the ages of 2 and 4, Fox said.

A search warrant was obtained for a house in the Green Manorville section of Enfield. In the course of questioning several people at the house, DeOliveira acknowledged he was the person of interest, and told police he visits adult websites. His cell phone was seized, Fox said.

A second search warrant was obtained for the phone, where investigators found 4,693 images, of which 27 appeared to be pornography involving children ranging from 6 months to 13 years.

An additional 258 videos were found on the phone, with 144 of them containing footage of children in that same age range, Fox said.

<https://patch.com/connecticut/enfield/child-pornography-charges-filed-against-enfield-resident>

Jupiter Teen Arrested For Child Pornography

Enzo Colas Charged With Two Counts Of Possession Of Child Pornography

Originally reported By News Desk
14, 2022

Modified date: August

JUPITER, FL – Boca Post (BocaPost.com) — Enzo Colas of Jupiter has been arrested and charged with two counts of possession of child pornography, according to jail records released to Boca Post by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office.

Enzo Daniel Bernard Colas, 19, of the 500 block of Rookery Place in the Egret Landing community of Jupiter, has been arrested Tuesday evening by the Jupiter Police Department. Boca Post has been notified that Colas is charged with two counts of "OBSCENE MATERIAL-POSSESS – POSS CONTROL VIEW DEPICTION CHILD SEX CONDUCT".

According to the probable cause affidavit submitted by the Jupiter Police Department, an investigation was initiated in January of 2022 following a Cyber TIP from the NCMEC (National Center of Missing and Exploited Children).

Detectives received information originating from SnapChat that an account, which they later determined to belong to Colas, was transferring what was determined to be child sexual abuse material (CSAM) to and from other Snapchat accounts. Detectives identified at least 12 articles of CSAM saved under Colas' "Chat Media".

When officers asked Enzo about the suspected CSAM, he stated that was a dark time in his life, and he was exploring his sexuality. He advised that he was searching a Snapchat for gays website and joined a group with other people. He advised they shared a link with him and told him to download Mega to get photos, which he did. He advised that the photos and videos were bad. Enzo advised that he deleted the images from the Mega account shortly after.

Jupiter Police executed a search warrant at the home in Egret Landing where they spoke to Enzo about their suspicions. During the search of the home, they located one device with multiple articles of CSAM. The content on that device was in addition to what was originally reported on Snapchat. Officers say they never did find the images that were originally reported on Snapchat.

Colas was booked into the Palm Beach County Jail at 6:39 on Tuesday evening. Colas appeared in court on Wednesday morning where the judge ordered that he has no contact with anyone under the age of 18, and no access to a computer, a smart device,

a storage device, or the internet. The judge set Colas' bond at \$20,000 and he was released from Jail later that evening.

[https://bocapost.com/news/florida/palm-beach-county/jupiter-news/jupiter-teen-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/#:~:text=Enzo%20Colas%20Charged%20With%20Two%20Counts%20Of%20Possession%20Of%20Child%20Pornography&text=JUPITER%2C%20FL%20%E2%80%93%20Boca%20Post%20\(Palm%20Beach%20County%20Sheriff's%20Office](https://bocapost.com/news/florida/palm-beach-county/jupiter-news/jupiter-teen-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/#:~:text=Enzo%20Colas%20Charged%20With%20Two%20Counts%20Of%20Possession%20Of%20Child%20Pornography&text=JUPITER%2C%20FL%20%E2%80%93%20Boca%20Post%20(Palm%20Beach%20County%20Sheriff's%20Office)

Four men charged with sexual abuse of children

By: Vivian Muniz
Apr 13, 2022

MILFORD, PIKE COUNTY (WBRE/WYOU) — The Pike County District Attorney's Office is teaming up with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to get child predators off the street.

Officials announced the arrest of four men who were recently charged with sexual abuse of children, the official crime defining child pornography offenses.

According to Pike County District Attorney Ray Tonkin, the men accused are Jason Hook, 34, of Dingmans Ferry, Eric Davis, 38, of Shohola, Matthew Kidd, 26, of Matamoras, and Dennis Kelly, 74, of Milford.

Officials stated each investigation started with a cyber tip that a person was interacting with apparent child pornography online.

Investigators say they received a cyber tip for Jason Hook that led to police finding he was sexually abusing a child. Hook is charged with rape of a child, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, statutory sexual assault, aggravated indecent assault, corruption of minors, and unlawful contact or communication with a minor.

Mathew Kidd, Eric Davis, and Dennis Kelly were located by investigators and charged with dissemination- photo/video of child sex acts, criminal use of communication facility, and child pornography.

<https://www.pahomepage.com/news/crime-courts/four-men-charged-with-sexual-abuse-of-children/>

Le Sueur man arrested on child pornography charge

Carson Hughes

Updated Oct 24, 2022

A Le Sueur man is accused of possessing multiple pictures and videos of child pornography.

Eric Reed Mitchell, 59, was charged with one felony count of possession of pornographic work involving minors on July 27. Mitchell's next court appearance is Oct. 4.

According to the complaint, Reed was the subject of three separate investigations into internet crimes against children by the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

Mitchell was believed to be behind an email address linked to multiple works depicting prepubescent girls involved in various sex acts.

https://www.southernminn.com/le_sueur_county_news/news/le-sueur-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charge/article_c58f8452-1b60-11ed-bff0-c395b5f77acf.html

DeFuniak Springs registered sex offender accused of possessing explicit videos of children

Sierra Rains Northwest Florida Daily News

May 24, 2022

DeFUNIAK SPRINGS — A registered sex offender was arrested Monday after he was reportedly found to be in possession of sexually explicit videos involving children under the age of 13.

Eric Michael Soles, 43, of DeFuniak Springs, is charged with four counts of possession of child pornography, according to a Walton County Sheriff's Office news release.

A search warrant was executed at Soles' residence on South 19th Street on May 10. Numerous electronic devices were seized and brought to the Sheriff's Office for forensic processing.

Investigators found Soles to be in possession of multiple explicit videos involving young children, according to the WCSO. He was arrested May 23 and booked into the Walton County Jail, where he was being held without bond.

Soles was convicted of lewd or lascivious conduct with a victim under 16 years old by an offender 18 years or older in Okaloosa County in 2008. According to his arrest report, he inappropriately touched a juvenile multiple times while she was sleeping.

He was sentenced to two years in prison and was arrested for violation of his probation in 2010 after having unsupervised contact with the victim's family and a child under 18.

According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Soles failed to register as a sex offender in Okaloosa County in 2015 and failed to comply with registration again in 2018 in Escambia County.

The DeFuniak Springs Police Department and Homeland Security assisted with the investigation.

<https://www.nwfdailynews.com/story/news/crime/2022/05/24/defuniak-springs-sex-offender-charged-possession-child-porn/9907735002/>

Lakeland woman charged with possessing, selling child pornography

Rebecca Lee The Ledger
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LAKELAND — A Lakeland woman was arrested this week and charged with the production of distribution of child pornography, officials with the Polk County Sheriff's Office said.

According to officials 38-year-old Erica Larrow of Lakeland was arrested on 22 counts of transmission of child pornography, 17 counts of possession of enhanced child pornography and 11 counts of use of a child for sexual performance.

Acting on a tip, detectives said they went to Larrow's home in Lakeland, but learned she was staying with a friend in St. Petersburg. Accompanied by officers with the St. Pete Police Department, they caught up with Larrow Wednesday and spoke to her about the allegations.

Detectives said Larrow admitted selling explicit photos and videos of herself online and was recently asked to take and sell naked photos and videos of a child she had access to. A check of Larrow's electronic devices allegedly turned up 17 files of children as young as 4-years-old being used for sexual acts. Detectives said they also found 11 files Larrow created herself with a child.

"Sexually exploiting children is one of the vilest crimes we deal with in law enforcement," Grady Judd said in a prepared statement. "Thanks to a tip and the great work of my detectives, a child victim has been rescued and a sexual deviant is behind bars."

Officials said the Department of Children and Families has been notified as the investigation is ongoing.

Larrow was booked in the Pinellas County Jail with no bond and was later transferred to the Polk County Jail.

<https://www.theledger.com/story/news/crime/2022/01/21/erica-larrow-lakeland-florida-charged-22-counts-transmission-child-pornography-possession/6606135001/>

Who is Erich Kroll? KidsMatter Vice President Arrested Over Child Porn

BY GERRARD
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The vice president of an Illinois young people's charity faces multiple child pornography charges after being arrested on Wednesday.

The accused, Erich Kroll, 49, is vice president of the Naperville-based KidsMatter human services non-profit organization as well as a senior business banker, the DuPage County Sheriff's Office, based in Wheaton, Illinois, said in a press release.

Kroll, of the 18W000 block of Holly Drive in unincorporated DuPage County, is being held on a \$150,000 bond following a bond hearing Wednesday afternoon.

Authorities were able to gather enough evidence online to execute a search warrant at Kroll's residence before he was arrested.

"Sheriff's Office investigators executed a search warrant at Kroll's residence on Wednesday following an internet investigation into the possession and distribution of child pornography files," the press statement said.

"A forensic examination [of] Kroll's digital electronics revealed the presence of child pornography files."

Sheriff James Mendrick said on Wednesday that the police are committed to protecting children from potential predators.

"I'm so thankful that we have our Digital Forensic Investigation Unit out there working cases like this and getting these predators off the street.

"Crimes against children are crimes against our future and that will be not be tolerated in DuPage County."

DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin said the allegations against Kroll were very disturbing. "What I find particularly troubling about these allegations is the fact that Mr. Kroll currently serves as Vice President of the Board for KidsMatter," he said.

"I would like to stress however, that the allegations against Mr. Kroll are in no way affiliated with KidsMatter.

"I thank DuPage County Sheriff James Mendrick and his office for their work not only in this case, but for their ongoing efforts to protect our children from sexual predators.

"I also thank Assistant State's Attorneys Denis Cahill and Helen Kapas for their work in preparing a strong case against this defendant," Berlin added.

The DuPage County Sheriff's Office statement closed by reminding the public that the charges were not proof of a defendant's guilt. "A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the government's burden to prove his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt," it said.

Kroll's next court date is scheduled for 9 a.m. on June 18.

<https://www.newsweek.com/child-pornography-arrest-erich-kroll-dupage-county-illinois-kidsmatter-charity-abuse-1708026>

Boynton Beach Man Who Works In Boca Raton Arrested For Child Pornography

July 8, 2022

Erick Nevarez Arrested On Child Pornography Charges.

BOYNTON BEACH, FL – Boca Post (BocaPost.com) — A Boynton Beach man has been arrested for being in possession of a large amount of child pornography.

Erick Nevarez, 26, of Boynton Beach, was the subject of an investigation that was initiated in November 2021 from a Cyber Tip report provided to law enforcement by the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

The cyber tip originated with images of child pornography being transferred on Snapchat. Additional cyber tips were submitted from Kik which depicted more child pornography. The investigation led detectives to Erick Nevarez when they discovered his email addresses and IP addresses being used.

The investigation identified several files being transferred on different social media accounts from different locations including his home in Boynton Beach and his place of employment in Boca Raton. The investigation identified several IP addresses linked to the address where Erick Nevarez lives in Boynton Beach and where he works in Boca Raton.

According to law enforcement investigative databases, Alicia Nevarez Montelongo and her adult son, Erick G Corral Nevarez live at the address with Ernesto Santillanes Sanchez. Ernesto Santillanes Sanchez purchased the home in 2018.

Erick G Corral Nevarez works for Global Wholesale Art Corporation, which is located at 10058 Spanish Isles Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33498.

The pornographic material is too graphic to describe on Boca Post; however, we can tell you that the content is of girls as young as 4 years old to 14 years of age being sexually exploited.

When detectives went to interview Nevarez in May of 2022, his parents told them he was in Mexico for a family emergency.

On May 20, 2022, Erick Nevarez was detained by Homeland Security Investigations in

Atlanta, where he first re-entered the United States from Mexico. HSI detained Nevarez's cellphone, which was subsequently sent via FedEx to HSI in West Palm Beach. Detective Wildove, who is an HSI TFO, conducted a border search on the phone and found several images of child sexual abuse material (CSAM). The phone was then seized by HSI and turned over to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's office as evidence.

Nevarez was charged with 17 counts of 775.0847(23) POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY (MORE THAN 10 IMAGES/VIDEOS), meaning he was in possession of at least 170 images/videos of child pornography.

Erick Nevarez was arrested on a warrant and is currently in the custody of the PBSO jail.

<https://bocapost.com/news/boynton-beach-man-who-works-in-boca-raton-arrested-for-child-pornography/>

Erik Ekstrom, Bend-La Pine Schools elementary music teacher accused of possessing explicit child images

By Naughty Teacher List Reporter
September 16, 2022

A music instructor at Bend-La Pine Schools was detained during a raid on his house on Thursday morning on suspicion of having graphic pictures of children and posting a film online showing child sex abuse.

According to police communications manager Sheila Miller, Bend police learned about a film showing child sexual crimes that had been published and connected to Erik Duane Ekstrom, 35, of Bend, on August 11 from the U.S. Department of Justice's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to Miller, further inquiry turned up further task force tips that were found on Ekstrom's electronic equipment.

According to Miller, Bend police carried out a search warrant at Ekstrom's residence on Northeast Viking Avenue at around 7 a.m. on Thursday.

Ekstrom was detained and booked into the Deschutes County Jail on two counts of first-degree inciting child sexual assault, a Class C felony, and several electronic devices were seized. On Friday in the afternoon, he is due to be arraigned on the initial allegations.

In addition to working at Cascade Middle School in February, Ekstrom was recruited by Bend-La Pine Schools in August of last year to work at Highland Magnet School in Kenwood. According to Julianne Repman, the director of communication and safety for Bend-La Pine, he was given the current academic year's assignments to Summit High School, Cascade Middle School, and Pacific Crest Middle School.

"These photographs are not believed to be of children in the local region," Summit Principal Michael McDonald wrote in a letter to parents. "There is no present information that Ekstrom's offenses have a nexus to our students, staff, or schools."

Ekstrom's father was a former principal of Highland Elementary School, according to a welcome letter from the school's principal in August 2021. It stated that he had spent ten years in Minnesota teaching music.

Ekstrom has no criminal history according to online sources in Minnesota or Oregon.

Ekstrom claimed to have been born and reared in Bend until relocating to Minnesota in 2006 to attend St. Olaf College.

Ekstrom also holds the position of music director at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Central Oregon. According to his biography, he also graduated from Summit High School in 2006 among other accomplishments. Later, it was changed to reflect that he was on administrative leave.

<https://naughtyteacherlist.com/2022/09/16/erik-ekstrom-bend-la-pine-schools-elementary-music-teacher-accused-of-possessing-explicit-child-images/>

AdventHealth employee arrested over possession of child pornography, Seminole County deputies say

Erik Hernandez, 37, charged with 10 felony counts

Brandon Hogan, Digital Editor
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SEMINOLE COUNTY, Fla. – A man who investigators said is employed at AdventHealth was arrested Thursday, accused of possessing child pornography, according to the Seminole County Sheriff's Office.

A judge signed a search warrant for the Altamonte Springs home of Erik Hernandez, 37, after investigators linked it to an IP address that was seen to have recently searched for and downloaded multiple child pornography images, deputies said.

After deputies executed the warrant and arrested Hernandez, he told investigators that he had collected the images for years and possessed at least 100 such files on his portable electronic devices, according to his arrest report.

Ten files containing child porn were found on one of Hernandez's hard drives, an arrest report shows.

Several other devices were also seized from the property as deputies investigate further, according to the sheriff's office.

Hernandez faces 10 counts of possession of a depiction of child sex conduct charges, a third-degree felony, records show.

News 6 has reached out to AdventHealth for a statement.

<https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2022/02/11/adventhealth-employee-arrested-over-possession-of-child-pornography-seminole-county-deputies-say/>

Maryland State Police Arrest Man On Child Pornography Charges In Prince George's County

August 16, 2022

(HYATTSVILLE, MD) – Troopers arrested a Prince George's County man Friday morning after a Maryland State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Investigation developed evidence of distribution and possession of child pornography.

The suspect is identified as Eryln Matta Jimenez, 24, of Hyattsville, Maryland. Matta Jimenez is charged with seven counts of possession of child pornography and one count of distribution of child pornography. He was transported to the Prince George's County Detention Center, where he is being held without bail.

Beginning in July 2022, the Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit initiated an investigation into the distribution and possession of child pornography online. At about 9:20 a.m. Friday, Maryland State Police, along with Homeland Security Investigations, served a search warrant at the identified residence of the suspect. A preliminary forensic review of the suspect's electronic devices revealed multiple child pornography files. Matta Jimenez was arrested at the scene.

The Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit coordinates the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. This is a combined law enforcement effort involving police departments across Maryland that is made possible in part due to grant funds provided by the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services and by a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. Task force investigators focus on identifying those involved in child pornography via the Internet and other related crimes that victimize children.

The investigation continues ...

<https://news.maryland.gov/msp/2022/08/16/maryland-state-police-arrest-man-on-child-pornography-charges-in-prince-georges-county/>

Seven Upstate men arrested in child porn investigation, new charges filed

By Amanda Shaw

Oct. 28, 2022

WALHALLA, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The Oconee County Sheriff's Office said an investigation with the help of the Department of Homeland Security led to more than half a dozen arrests.

Over the course of two days, investigators executed search warrants at seven different homes based on evidence gathered following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Seven men were charged with possession of child pornography, which depicted victims between under 1 and 16 years old.

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced new charges were filed against five of the men.

In some instances, deputies said the material was also distributed over the internet.

The following suspects were charged:

Ernest Joseph McDonald

23 years old

New Madison Road, Westminster, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that McDonald was arrested on October 18 and released after posting bond. He was placed on an electronic monitoring device as a condition of his bond. However, on October 27 he was arrested and charged with an additional 49 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree charge. He remains in jail on a combined \$490,000 surety bond.

Thomas Gerald Allred

45 years old

Easter Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – Four Counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Allred was charged with an additional four counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He received a combined \$150,000 surety bond on the nine additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Terry Randall Belk, Jr.

23 years old

Oak Tree Drive, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Belk was charged with nine counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was given a \$140,000 surety bond on the additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device, as a condition of bond.

Jon Joseph Carranza

26 years old

Ralph Sheriff Road, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Carranza was charged with two counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was also given a combined \$50,000 surety bond on two additional charges. He will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Richard David Raffl

74 years old

Lake Ridge Circle, Walhalla, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

William Douglas Minner

59 years old

Cheohee Valley Road, Tamassee, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – 20 counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Minner was charged with 80 additional counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He will remain in jail on a \$1 million surety bond on the 100 total charges.

Robert Mann Hagan

74 years old

Violet Fields Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

<https://www.foxcarolina.com/2022/10/20/seven-upstate-man-arrested-child-porn-investigation/>

Benton man charged with 940 counts related to child pornography

by Madison Hardcastle
September 30th, 2022

LITTLE ROCK (KATV) — The Saline County Arkansas Sheriff's Office revealed Friday that a Benton man was taken into possession of child pornography-related evidence.

The detectives took in 32-year-old Ethan Robert Clark without incident.

Clark was charged with 940 counts of distributing, possessing, and viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

This is a Class C Felony, 5-27-602.

Clark has also been the suspect in an ongoing investigation involving the possession of child pornography through an online service provider.

<https://katv.com/news/local/benton-man-charged-with-940-counts-related-to-child-pornography-taken-into-possession-of-child-pornography-related-evidence-ethan-robert-clark-incident-distributing-possessing-and-viewing-matter-depicting-sexually-explicit-conduct-involving-class-c>

Former Torrance police officer arrested for allegedly possessing child sex material

May 8, 2022

TORRANCE, Calif. (CNS) -- A 23-year-old former Torrance police officer is scheduled to appear in Los Angeles Superior Court on June 3 following his arrest for allegedly possessing child sex abuse material.

Evan Robert Dahl was arrested at 11:15 a.m. Friday at the Torrance Police Station on suspicion of felony possession of the material following a Los Angeles Police Department investigation.

He was released at 3:45 p.m. Friday, police said.

"The city of Torrance and its police department are aware of the troubling allegations leading to Evan Dahl's arrest. Evan Dahl no longer works for the Torrance Police Department," said Sgt. Mark Ponegalek of the Torrance Police Department.

"Chief Jay Hart remains committed to transparency and accountability," the statement added.

The LAPD Internet Crimes Against Children task force learned in March that the unlawful material was uploaded to a social media platform from an unknown address in Torrance, according to the Los Angeles Police Department.

Investigators then served search warrants at several locations throughout the city, including Dahl's residence, "where evidence was seized," according to the LAPD.

"We have and will continue to cooperate with LAPD's investigation," Ponegalek said. "Because this matter involves an ongoing criminal investigation, we must refer any additional questions to LAPD."

Anyone who may have been a victim of Dahl's was asked to call LAPD Detective Marvin Mancina at (562) 624-4027. Calls made during non-business hours or on weekends should be made to (877) 527-3247.

<https://abc7.com/torrance-police-officer-arrested-child-sex-material/11827647/>

Police arrest Westminster HS volleyball coach on child pornography charges

Updated: 6:20 PM EDT May 10, 2022

WESTMINSTER, Md. — UPDATE: (May 10): A Carroll County District Court judge on Tuesday denied bond for Evan Frock.

The 32-year-old former Carroll County substitute teacher and volleyball coach is accused of posing as a teenage boy on Snapchat, where he is accused of soliciting, sending and receiving photos and videos of underage girls. He faces 18 charges.

The defense attorney asked the judge to place Frock on electronic monitoring, saying Frock had no criminal record and no allegations exist that he attempted to meet up with or physically touched any minors. But in denying bond, the judge said she clearly believed he has been doing this for a long time.

According to a court charging document obtained by the 11 News I-Team, the investigation started on May 2. The FBI and Carroll County sheriff's deputies executed a federal search warrant and raided Frock's Taneytown home on May 9.

The court record indicates, "Frock did admit to soliciting and obtaining child pornography from minors ... Frock identified himself as a high school-age male while in fact 32 years old ... Frock admitted to chatting on the fictitious Snapchat account with students from the school where he is employed."

Prosecutors said investigators found at least 20 images of child pornography, and they are still trying to identify some of the female minors, including possible students at Westminster and Francis Scott Key high schools.

ORIGINAL STORY (May 9): A substitute teacher and volleyball coach at Westminster High School was arrested and faces child pornography charges.

The Carroll County Sheriff's Office said there could be other students who were victimized by Evan Frock.

Investigators said Frock could be associated with other schools or athletic groups in the area.

"Shocking and not something I would expect to happen here," Westminster High School parent Jennifer Stitely said.

"I was just really shocked and concerned for a lot of my friends that are on the team. My girlfriend is on the FCA, which is a club team associated with him. I think he's a coach," student Tony Kunz said.

Westminster High School student Landon Davidson said he didn't know Frock well, but he substituted in his class before.

"I didn't know him well. He substituted in a class of mine once or twice, kind of a weird guy but I don't know much more than that," Davidson said.

The Carroll County Sheriff's Office said Frock contacted more than 1,000 users on Snapchat, posing as a high school boy to send, receive and solicit explicit photographs and videos of underage girls.

"It's a small community, everybody knows everybody and I just -- you never think it's going to happen in your town and certainly not around our kids," Stitely said.

Davidson said the entire situation is awful.

"That's awful. I mean kids at school are in a vulnerable environment and it's just awful to have a person in a position of power like that that's taking advantage of children. I think that's awful," he said.

The school system said Frock is no longer an employee and they are cooperating with the investigation to identify any other student victims.

Deputies said Frock had thousands of followers under the following usernames:

volleygirlhan

volleygirl1025

laxguy2323

pictures1025

Police said if parents believe their child had contact with him to call investigators.

"I just really hope that the people that were hurt by him are OK and they can reach out to whoever and help them," Kunz said.

Frock is being held without bond but is set for a bail review Tuesday morning.

<https://www.wbaltv.com/article/westminster-high-school-evan-frock-arrested-child-pornography-charges/39949573>

ORADELL, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

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May

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of EVERETT C. REILLY (DOB: 11/14/2002; single; delivery driver) of 554 Seminole Street, Oradell, NJ on child pornography charges. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Thursday, May 12, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of EVERETT C. REILLY during the course of a months-long Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that REILLY used the Internet to view, download, and possess more than 7,000 digital files, and distributed multiple digital files, depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, REILLY was arrested on Thursday, May 12, 2022 in Paramus, NJ and charged with second-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)iii and second-degree distribution of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(a)i. REILLY was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Oradell Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, and the Englewood, Ramsey, and Lyndhurst Police Departments which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.bcpo.net/oradell-nj-man-charged-withpossession-and-distribution-of-child-pornography/>

PCSO Computer Crimes Unit charges five for possession of child pornography

MAR 3, 2022

Detectives from the Polk County Sheriff's Office Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) charged five suspects for possession of child pornography after receiving tips from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children (NCMEC) that the suspects were possibly transmitting or downloading the harmful images and videos. Detectives served search warrants at the five suspects' houses and seized all of their digital devices for further analysis. Each suspect faces additional charges if more illegal content is found.

"We are thankful for our partnership with NCMEC. By combining our resources, we are able to take criminals who prey on our children off the street. Please, if you see something while you are online or on mobile apps, say something. Contact your local law enforcement agency or go to NCMEC's CyberTipline at <https://report.cybertip.org/> to report suspicious online activity." – Grady Judd, Sheriff

29-year-old Kevin Hairston of Lakeland was arrested and charged with one count promoting a sexual performance by a child (F2), and 10 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found 10 images and videos of children as young as 2-years-old being sexually battered. Hairston told detectives that over the last couple of years he has actively searched for child pornography online. He is being held in the Polk County Jail on \$55,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

19-year-old Felipe Ortiz of Bartow was arrested and charged with six counts of possession of child pornography (F3) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found images of children as young as 10-years-old being sexually battered. He is being held in the Polk County Jail on \$60,000 bond (\$10,000 per charge).

21-year-old Deamontavese Sanders of Lakeland was arrested and charged with one count promoting a sexual performance by a child (F2), and two counts of possession of child pornography (F3) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found two images and videos of children as young as 7-years-old being sexually battered. Sanders told detectives that in addition to using Discord, he has shared child pornography on Kik. He told detectives he is employed at Harvey's Supermarket (1305 Ariana St. W.) in Lakeland. Sanders was released after paying a

\$10,000 bond.

18-year-old Juan Valdez of Haines City was arrested and charged with one count transmission of child pornography (F2), and 200 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found 200 images and videos of children as young as 2-years-old being sexually battered. Valdez told detectives that he has been viewing child pornography since he was a freshman in high school and is currently a senior at Ridge Community High School. He was transported to the Juvenile Assessment Center.

Additionally, detectives obtained a warrant for the arrest of 39-year-old Jianchai Chen of Winter Haven. Chen is charged with one count transmission of child pornography (F2), and 132 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found 132 images and videos of children as young as 5-years-old being sexually battered. Chen is currently in China where he lives part time with his wife and children. When in the United States, he works at Lucky Wok restaurant in Lake Wales.

The images did not appear to depict local Polk County children, but the investigation is ongoing to identify them.

The felony child porn charges are upgraded (enhanced) if the suspect possesses 10 or more images of child pornography and at least one image contains any of the following criteria:

- Image depicts a child younger than the age of 5
- Image depicts sadomasochistic abuse of a child
- Image depicts sexual battery of a child
- Image depicts sexual bestiality involving a child
- Any movie involving a child

<https://www.polksheriff.org/news-investigations/polk-county-news/2022/03/03/pcso-computer-crimes-unit-charge-five-for-possession-of-child-pornography>

Orange City man charged with 10 counts of child pornography, deputies say

By Katlyn Brieskorn, WFTV.com
February 22, 2022

ORANGE CITY, Fla. — An Orange City man was charged with 10 counts of child pornography, the Volusia County Sheriff's Office said.

Deputies said they were alerted through a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Francisco Siaca, 47, was arrested over the weekend.

Investigators said they found 10 electronic files that portrayed male and female children in sexually exploitive situations.

Deputies said the victims were estimated to range from a toddler to 13 years old.

Deputies said they interviewed both Siaca and his wife.

Siaca told deputies that he uploaded and sent files of child pornography.

Detectives do not believe he manufactured suspected child pornography.

Siaca was arrested Saturday and taken to the Volusia County Branch Jail. He was released after posting \$150,000 bail.

<https://www.wftv.com/news/local/orange-city-man-charged-with-10-counts-child-pornography-deputies-say/FKB6HMIOQVF3HLOQ24VSGNDRHY/>

Sampson County man arrested on \$1 million bond for child pornography charges

by: Amber Trent

Posted: Aug 9, 2022

CLINTON, N.C. (WNCN)—A Sampson County man has been arrested and charged in connection with child pornography, according to officials.

Frank Joshua Bravo of Turkey, North Carolina has been charged with second degree sex exploitation of a minor and third degree exploitation of a minor, according to official documents.

Officials with the Sampson County Sheriff's Office said they received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about child pornography.

"Through the investigation, enough probable cause was established to obtain warrants on the suspect," officials said.

Bravo was being held on a \$1 million bond.

<https://www.cbs17.com/news/local-news/sampson-county-man-arrested-on-1-million-bond-for-child-pornography-charges/>

Child Pornography Prompts Arrest Of Glen Burnie Man: Police

Police found child pornography on a Glen Burnie man's device, a press release said. Officers arrested the suspect this week.

Jacob Baumgart, Patch Staff
Jan 21, 2022

GLEN BURNIE, MD — Police announced Friday that they arrested a Glen Burnie man on child pornography charges. Officers identified the arrestee as 47-year-old Frank Marvin Rosen Jr.

Authorities said they launched the investigation on May 12, 2021 after getting a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The nonprofit told police that an online account was directly associated with uploading child pornographic images to a website.

Officers eventually pinpointed the suspect and his home address. Authorities on June 8, 2021 executed a search warrant on Rosen's home, located in the 1000 block of Big Baer Drive, and took multiple digital devices to analyze for evidence. Investigators said they found about 30 images or videos of child sexual abuse material.

Police applied for charges Wednesday. The Anne Arundel County Court Commissioner's Office then issued an arrest warrant. Officers said they arrested Rosen without incident the same day and charged him with 10 counts of possessing child pornography and 10 counts of distributing it.

The investigation is still ongoing. The Anne Arundel County Police Department asked anybody with details to call 410-222-4733. Informants can stay anonymous by dialing the tip line at 410-222-4700 or contacting Metro Crime Stoppers of Maryland at 866-7LOCKUP (866-756-2587).

<https://patch.com/maryland/glenburnie/child-pornography-prompts-arrest-glen-burnie-man-police>

Retired Ilwaco teacher, coach arrested on child porn charges

Jan 25, 2022

ILWACO — Frederick (Rick) A. Bishop, 72 of Ilwaco, was arrested on Jan. 19 after an investigation by the Washington State Patrol found that he had been engaged in uploading and downloading depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

The investigation began after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a tip from online digital storage company Dropbox, that they had detected illegal activity.

According to court records, the information was then turned over to Seattle Internet Crimes Against Children and then assigned to WSP Detective Jason Greer. Greer then turned the case over to fellow Detective Brandon Querubin.

In Querubin's report, at least four videos were found via Dropbox associated with Bishop and involved adolescent or teenage girls engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Officers with the Washington State Patrol and special agents with the FBI converged on Bishop's home located in Ilwaco on Jan. 19.

Bishop, according to a probable cause affidavit submitted to the Pacific County Superior Court, admitted to downloading child pornography for the past 15 years and pointed officers toward a computer he used to download it. However, he said that he cleared the computer's hard drive in November after a son-in-law discovered some of the pornography.

Bishop made his preliminary appearance in the Pacific County Superior Court on Jan. 20 and Judge Don Richter set his bail at \$300,000.

According to archives, Bishop is a long-time teacher and former softball and basketball coach through the Ocean Beach School District and retired around 2011.

It's unclear if Bishop and disgraced former OBSD teacher Daniel Schenk are interconnected, but investigators are checking all avenues.

https://www.chinookobserver.com/news/local/retired-ilwaco-teacher-coach-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/article_27da2582-7a57-11ec-94bc-cbca4d3f59fa.html

Sumter man arrested in child porn investigation

By Nevin Smith

Apr. 7, 2022

So far no local or residential children have been identified in the images.

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WIS) - A Sumter County man was arrested in a child pornography investigation.

Furman Nelson Thames was taken into custody after the Sumter County Sheriff's Office and the Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force executed a search warrant at his home in the 800 block of Haynsworth St. on April 6, 2022.

Investigators said Thames had uploaded over 150 images of child pornography to a personal cloud account. He was originally charged with five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor in the 2nd Degree.

As of June 3, an additional 20 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor in the 2nd Degree have been added to his case.

Investigators say they have found 20 additional child pornographic photos on Thames personal cell since the investigation began.

So far no local or residential children have been identified in the images. Law enforcement said they're working with the Department of Social Services in the investigation, more charges may be coming.

Thames was transported to the Sumter County Sheriff's Office Detention Center. His bond was denied in April but Thames was later placed on conditional house arrest at his court appearance in May.

According to the Sumter County Sheriff's Office, the investigation into this case is still ongoing.

<https://www.wistv.com/2022/04/07/sumter-man-arrested-child-porn-investigation/>

22-079 Detectives Arrest Largo Man for Possession of Child Pornography

CAC Arrest

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

Investigative Operations Bureau

-Crimes Against Children (CAC) Unit

Gabriel Lipper (Suspect- Arrested)

DOB: 12/01/2000

Address: 1612 Coral Way Apartment A, Largo

Charges: 6 counts of Possession of Child Pornography

PINELLAS COUNTY- Detectives assigned to the Crimes Against Children (CAC) Unit have arrested a Largo man for multiple counts of possession of child pornography.

Detectives began their investigation after receiving information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that child pornography was being uploaded via the social media application, Snapchat. Through various investigative techniques, detectives were able to identify the suspect as 21-year-old Gabriel Lipper.

Detectives say a search of Lipper's phone yielded child pornography files. When Lipper was interviewed by detectives, he admitted to possessing the images on his phone.

On August 11, 2022, detectives arrested Lipper and charged him with six counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

Lipper was transported to the Pinellas County Jail.

The investigation continues.

<https://www.pcsoweb.com/22-079-detectives-arrest-largo-man-for-possession-of-child-pornography>

Belleville man charged with child pornography, police say there could be local victims

Author: Sam Clancy
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Police said there are "no known victims" at this time, but they are asking parents to call them if their child has had any suspicious interactions with Pelch.

BELLEVILLE, Ill. — A man is in custody on child pornography charges, and police say there may be victims they have not been able to identify yet.

Garrett Pelch, 34, was charged with seven counts of possession of child pornography after police said evidence was found on his "equipment" after a search warrant was conducted at his home.

The St. Clair County Sheriff's Department said it started investigating Pelch after the Illinois Attorney General's Office of Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force informed the department of an online tip. The tip alleged someone who lived at a home on Deer Run Road was transferring and possessing child pornography.

Police said they seized equipment from Pelch's home and discovered evidence of child pornography. Pelch was also taken into custody during the execution of the search warrant.

One of the charges was for possession of child pornography of a victim under the age of 13 and the other six were for possession of child pornography of a victim under the age of 18.

Police said there are "no known victims" at this time, but they are asking parents to call them if their child has had any suspicious interactions with Pelch. Parents can call Investigator Chris Hoernis at 618-825-5779.

Pelch is being held on a \$150,000 bond at the St. Clair County jail.

The arrest is part of the Illinois Attorney General's office's work to investigate child pornography in Illinois. Kwame Raoul's office runs the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. It is funded, in part, by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

The task force receives CyberTips and online reports of child pornography from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

<https://www.ksdk.com/article/news/crime/belleville-man-charged-child-pornography-police-more-victims/63-48c7a993-4cdb-446b-92b6-8f58cc19c8ed>

Hillsborough Man Charged With Possessing, Distributing Child Porn

Gary J. Babey, 60, of Hillsborough, is accused of sending numerous images of child sexual abuse material to another person.

Alexis Tarrazi, Patch Staff
at 3:03 pm ET

Posted Wed, May 4, 2022

Gary J. Babey, 60, of Haverford Court, Hillsborough, is charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography and third-degree possession of child pornography. (Courtesy of Somerset County Prosecutor's Office)

HILLSBOROUGH, NJ — A Hillsborough man accused of sharing and having child pornography has been charged, Acting Somerset County Prosecutor Annmarie Taggart said.

Gary J. Babey, 60, of Haverford Court, Hillsborough, is charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography and third-degree possession of child pornography, said Taggart.

Babey's arrest came after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) notified the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office of an apparent upload of images of child pornography.

An investigation by the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office Special Investigations/Computer Crimes Unit found that Babey was suspected of sending numerous images of child sexual abuse material to another person, according to authorities.

On Monday, Babey was arrested at the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office. He is being held in the Somerset County Jail where he will remain pending a detention hearing in this matter

Anyone with information relating to this investigation is asked to contact the Somerset County Prosecutors Office Special Investigations/Computer Crimes Unit at 908-231-7100 or the Hillsborough Township Police Department at 908-369-4323 or via the STOPit app.

Information can also be provided through the Somerset County Crime Stoppers' Tip Line at 1-888-577-TIPS (8477). All anonymous STOPit reports, and Crime Stopper tips will be kept confidential.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/hillsborough/hillsborough-man-charged-possessing-distributing-child-porn>

Department of Justice
U.S. Attorney's Office
District of Maryland

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 7, 2022

Monday,

In Separate Cases, Three Maryland Men Facing Federal Indictment for Sexual Exploitation of Children to Produce Child Pornography and Related Charges

Two of the Defendants are Previously Convicted Sex Offenders

Baltimore, Maryland – Federal grand juries in Maryland have returned indictments against three men in unrelated cases charging them with sexual exploitation of a child to produce child pornography and related charges. Charged in the three indictments are Gary Rocky Jones, age 42, of Baltimore; Dennis James Harrison, age 39, of Rocky Ridge, Maryland; and Jose Alexander Diaz-Rodriguez, age 22, of Thurmont, Maryland.

The indictments were announced by United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Erik L. Barron; Special Agent in Charge James R. Mancuso of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Baltimore; Special Agent in Charge Thomas J. Sobocinski of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Baltimore Field Office; Commissioner Michael Harrison of the Baltimore Police Department; Chief Jason Lando of the City of Frederick Police Department; Frederick County Sheriff Charles A. "Chuck" Jenkins; and Frederick County State's Attorney J. Charles Smith, III.

A superseding indictment was returned on February 2, 2022, against previously convicted sex offender Gary Rocky Jones, adding 27 counts of sexual exploitation of a child to produce child pornography, 15 counts of use of an interstate commerce facility, specifically, the internet, to entice a minor to engage in illegal sexual activity—relating to 15 minor victims from around the country, and commission of a felony crime involving a minor by a registered sex offender, to his original charges of distribution and possession of child pornography. The superseding indictment alleges that between 2014 and August 2015, Jones twice produced images and videos of a minor male engaged in sexually explicit conduct. The victim was age 14 to 15 years old during the exploitation. The superseding indictment also alleges that from September 2018 through August 2020, Jones used social media accounts to persuade, entice, and coerce another 15 minor males from several states and ranging in age from eight to 17 years old, to engage in sexually explicit conduct. During these internet-based communications, Jones allegedly caused and attempted to cause the victims to

produce live and recorded visual depictions of themselves engaged in sexually explicit conduct, both alone and with others, and send Jones the sexually explicit images and video via the internet. Further, the superseding indictment alleges that on April 2, 2018, Jones distributed child pornography, and possessed child pornography from December 2, 2014 through January 31, 2020, and from May 29, 2017 through July 14, 2020, respectively, in affiliation with two separate email addresses and related storage accounts. Finally, the superseding indictment alleges that between 2015 and September 2020, Jones committed felony offenses involving minors while Jones was required to register as a sex offender under Maryland law.

According to Harrison's nine-count indictment, which was returned by the Grand Jury on February 3, 2022, Harrison sexually exploited two minor girls beginning when the one victim was two years old and when another victim was 10 to 11 years old, to produce child pornography; coerced and enticed a 12-year-old victim to engage in illegal sexual conduct; possessed child pornography; and committed a felony crime involving a minor while he was a registered sex offender. From at least September 2020 through August 2021, Harrison engaged in sexual activity with Jane Doe 1, a 12-year-old girl who resided in Pennsylvania. The indictment alleges that Harrison picked-up Jane Doe 1 from her residence and drove her to various location in Maryland, including Harrison's residence, where he engaged in illegal sexual activity with Jane Doe 1. The indictment alleges that Harrison attempted to and did use, persuade, induce, entice, and coerce Jane Doe 1 to engage in sexually explicit conduct in order to produce visual depictions of such conduct. Harrison also allegedly used a hidden camera and a mobile phone in 2018 to produce a series of image files depicting Jane Doe 2, a 10-to-11 year old minor, nude and partially nude in a bedroom and bathroom in Pennsylvania and in a bathroom in Maryland. The images were taken without the knowledge of Jane Doe 2. The indictment alleges that on August 12, 2021, Harrison possessed child pornography on his phone, a tablet, several USB drives, and a micro SD card. Finally, the indictment alleges that Harrison committed these offenses involving a minor while he was required to register as a sex offender under Maryland law.

Finally, Jose Alexander Diaz-Rodriguez is charged in a three-count indictment, returned on February 3, 2022, with sexual exploitation of a child on July 26, 2021, by employing, using, persuading, inducing and coercing a prepubescent minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct, for the purpose of producing visual depictions of such conduct; for distributing child pornography on June 4, 2021; and for possessing visual depictions of prepubescent minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct on July 26, 2021.

If convicted, Jones and Harrison each face a mandatory minimum sentence of 25 years and a maximum sentence of 50 years in federal prison for each count of sexual exploitation of a child; a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years and a maximum of

life imprisonment for each count of coercion and enticement of a child; a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years and a maximum of 20 years in federal prison for possession of child pornography, and a mandatory sentence of 10 years in federal prison for commission of a felony crime involving a minor by a registered sex offender. Jones also faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years and a maximum of 40 years in federal prison for distribution of child pornography. Diaz-Rodriguez faces a mandatory minimum of 15 years and a maximum sentence of 30 years in federal prison for sexual exploitation of a child; a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years and a maximum sentence of 20 years in federal prison for distribution of child pornography; and a maximum of 20 years in federal prison for possession of child pornography. Actual sentences for federal crimes are typically less than the maximum penalties. A federal district court judge will determine any sentence after taking into account the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors. Jones is in federal custody and is scheduled for trial on December 5, 2022. Harrison and Diaz-Rodriguez are in custody on state charges and will have an initial appearances in U.S. District Court in Baltimore, although dates for those hearings have not been set.

An indictment is not a finding of guilt. An individual charged by indictment is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at some later criminal proceedings.

These cases were brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorney's Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc. For more information about Internet safety education, please visit www.justice.gov/psc and click on the "Resources" tab on the left of the page.

United States Attorney Erek L. Barron commended the FBI and the Baltimore Police Department for their work in the Jones case which is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Paul E. Budlow and Paul A Riley. Mr. Barron also recognized the FBI, the City of Frederick Police Department, and the Frederick State's Attorney's Office for their work in the Diaz-Rodriguez case, and HSI, the Frederick County Sheriff's Office, and the Frederick County State's Attorney's Office for their work in the Harrison investigation and prosecution. Mr. Barron thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul E. Budlow and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Joyce King, Chief Counsel with the Frederick County State's Attorney's Office, who are prosecuting the Diaz-Rodriguez and Harrison cases.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-md/community-outreach>

Galion man arrested after child porn investigation

By Kathy Laird, CCN Correspondent
March 21, 2022

GALION—Gary Painter, 50, of Galion, is in the custody of the Crawford County Jail after the conclusion of a warrant at his home.

The Crawford County Sheriff's Department released the following statement:

On March 21, 2022, the Crawford County Sheriff's Office concluded a child pornography investigation into illegal possession of explicit images of juveniles. The Crawford County Sheriff's Office executed the search warrant at 1965 S.R 598 Galion, Ohio 44833 at 12:34 PM.

Arrested was Gary Lee Painter, age 50, who resides at the address. Mr. Painter was the target of the investigation. Deputies seized multiple electronic devices.

Criminal charges are pending against Mr. Painter for Possession of Child Pornography, Mr. Painter is currently incarcerated at the Crawford County Justice Center, and reports will be forwarded to the Crawford County Prosecutors Office for consideration of additional charges.

This case is still currently being investigated by the Detectives from the Sheriff's Office. Crawford County Now will continue to follow this developing story.

<https://crawfordcountynow.com/local/galion-man-arrested-after-child-porn-investigation/>

Local man arrested on child porn charges

by WKRC

October 20th 2022

MONTGOMERY, Ohio (WKRC) - A Montgomery man is under arrest on child pornography charges.

Geoffrey Lovett, 33, is facing several charges after investigators say they found naked pictures of a young girl on his Microsoft account.

Police say they were tipped off.

A judge set bond at \$100,000 but he can post 10 percent and agree to wear an ankle monitor to get out.

Lovett's attorney said his client was living with his father and they had taken his computers away.

<https://local12.com/news/local/local-man-arrested-child-porn-charges-montgomery-ohio-geoffrey-lovett-nude-young-girl-microsoft-account>

Sparta man facing 71 counts of possession of child porn

WXOW Apr 13, 2022

SPARTA, Wis. (WXOW) - A Sparta man may spend the rest of his life in prison after his arrest on dozens of charges of possession of child pornography.

George Edward Bradley, 54, appeared in Monroe County Circuit Court Wednesday afternoon following his arrest on Tuesday.

According to the criminal complaint, Bradley had downloaded images of young female children in sexually explicit poses onto his phone. The downloads date back to between September 2019 to March 2022.

When confronted by a Monroe County Sheriff's investigator, Bradley admitted he had a problem and said he had downloaded the images to his phone.

Prosecutors charged one count for each 71 photos found in Bradley's possession. Each charge carries a maximum 25 year prison term and a minimum three years behind bars if convicted.

During the court appearance, bond was set at \$25,000 cash. He returns to court on April 18.

https://www.wxow.com/news/crime/sparta-man-facing-71-counts-of-possession-of-child-porn/article_8f36bbe4-bb4f-11ec-95e8-7f6ccf356939.html

Pittsburgh man gets 10 years in federal prison for distributing child porn

Renatta Signorini, Tribune-Review, Greensburg, Pa.
January 26, 2022

Jan. 26—A Pittsburgh man was sentenced Tuesday to 10 years in a federal prison for distributing child pornography.

George Goodwin, 50, of North Point Breeze, was ordered to spend five years on supervised release after the prison sentence.

Federal prosecutors said Goodwin used the social networking site MeWe to distribute videos of child pornography in 2020.

Law enforcement learned of the distribution and found a large collection of child pornography during a search warrant at his house and on his phone, according to prosecutors. Investigators said the collection contained thousands of images and depicted abusive behavior. Goodwin also used online chats to distribute the videos, authorities said.

He pleaded guilty in May.

Goodwin was using methamphetamine at the time of the offenses and has several serious and terminal medical conditions, his attorney Jennifer Popovich wrote in a sentencing memorandum.

"George Goodwin is remorseful for his conduct and regrets the harm he has caused others," his attorney wrote. "Like most people with addictions, he was ashamed of what he was doing."

Prosecutors called it a serious offense in a sentencing memorandum and argued for a firm punishment.

"The defendant's collection of child pornography in this case was enormous and disturbing," according to the filing. "It included young toddlers and young children engaged in explicit and graphic sexual acts with adults, some of which undoubtedly resulted in physical pain to the children."

Goodwin was ordered to pay \$19,000 in restitution to five victims. He was ordered to forfeit three cellphones and a computer.

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/pittsburgh-man-gets-10-years-010500903.html>

Randolph County: Fourth arrest made in child sex abuse investigation

WXII 12

May 13, 2022

RANDOLPH COUNTY, N.C. —

The Randolph County Sheriff's Office has arrested a fourth man following an investigation that focused on child pornography cybertips.

On May 12, deputies arrested John Willis Stanfield, 39 during this investigation. He was issued a \$100,000 bond.

Stanfield was charged with six counts felony second degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

In April, Gerardo Jaimes Sandoval, 26, Adam Albertson, 23 and Jordan Ali Abukhalaf, 26, were all arrested and now face multiple counts of sexual exploitation of minors.

According to a news release, the sheriff's office, along with several other state and federal law enforcement agencies, were a part of an investigation of over a hundred online tips regarding child pornography in the area.

Authorities spent April 13 and 14 determining the validity of the tips, conducting interviews and analyzing evidence, officials said.

<https://www.wxii12.com/article/3-men-arrested-in-randolph-county-child-sex-abuse/39803833>

Wadsworth man wanted for possessing child pornography is avoiding apprehension, sheriff says

By Sam Borcia

April 15, 2022

The Lake County Sheriff's Office is seeking tips from the public in locating a Wadsworth man who is wanted for possessing child pornography and is avoiding apprehension.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office Cybercrimes Unit in January conducted an investigation into the suspected sharing of child pornography, according to Lake County Sheriff's Office Deputy Chief Christopher Covelli.

The investigation resulted in cybercrime detectives obtaining a search warrant for a residence in the 38000 block of North Bayonne Avenue in Wadsworth.

The search warrant was conducted on Tuesday.

Giovanly S. Arias, 18, of 38000 block of North Bayonne Avenue in Wadsworth, was charged with three counts of possessing child pornography.

Detectives conducted a forensic examination of electronic devices possessed by Arias and determined he possessed numerous videos of girls under the age of 13 engaged in sexual acts with adult males.

It does not appear Arias recorded any of these videos himself, Covelli said. Sheriff's cybercrime detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Arias on Wednesday. A Lake County judge set bond on the warrant at \$350,000.

"Arias and his family are aware he is wanted, however, Arias is attempting to avoid apprehension," Covelli said.

Additional charges are possible in the case.

Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of the man is asked to call Lake County Sheriff's Office detectives at 847-377-4413 or leave a tip on the Lake County Sheriff's app.

<https://www.lakemchenryscanner.com/2022/04/15/wadsworth-man-wanted-for-possessing-child-pornography-is-avoiding-apprehension-sheriff-says/>

Man charged with child pornography possession following tips to police

WQOW

Oct 21, 2022

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY (WQOW) - An area man is facing a slew of charges after police received a number of tips he may possess child pornography.

Paperwork filed with the charges show eight videos of young boys engaging in sex acts were found in a dropbox account associated with Glenn Kuehn. For that, he is charged with eight counts of possessing child pornography.

He is also charged with two counts of capturing an intimate representation without consent. Police say they found videos of men engaging in sex acts with Kuehn. Those men did not consent to being videotaped.

He was released Friday on a \$250,000 signature bond and is due back in court mid-December.

https://www.wqow.com/news/crime/man-charged-with-child-pornography-possession-following-tips-to-police/article_6aba14ee-5192-11ed-ac92-2bbec7d9f5da.html

Essexville man accused of looking at child pornography online

By: Ryan Jeltema

Mar 14, 2022

ESSEXVILLE, Mich. (WJRT) - An Essexville man is facing three charges after police say he was looking at child pornography online.

Police say 21-year-old Grant Charles McMartin was arraigned last week in Saginaw County District Court on the following charges:

Two counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material.

One count of possession of child sexually abusive material.

The Michigan State Police Computer Crimes Unit launched the investigation when it was learned that McMartin allegedly looked at images of child sexually abusive material on the internet.

Authorities seized electronics from McMartin's residence during the investigation.

https://www.abc12.com/news/crime/essexville-man-accused-of-looking-at-child-pornography-online/article_c34c7b7e-a391-11ec-a360-430a6cd7767d.html

Cherokee County man arrested on federal child pornography charge

By Tyler Boydston

Jan. 27, 2022

CHEROKEE COUNTY, Okla. (KSWO) - A Cherokee County man has been arrested on a federal charge of distribution of child pornography.

Gregory Neil Bias was arrested by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Internet Crimes Against Children agents.

OSBI officials said they received multiple tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children between September 2020 and October 2021 reporting someone was uploading child sexual exploitation material online.

They also received tips from an online messaging platform for the same person.

The person uploading the content was later identified as Bias.

According to OSBI, due to Bias' tribal status, his case was filed in the Eastern District of Oklahoma and a federal warrant issued for his arrest.

He is currently being held in federal custody in the Okmulgee County Jail on one charge of distribution of child pornography.

OSBI officials said additional charges may be filed against him since he is a convicted felon and had two firearms when he was arrested.

<https://www.kswo.com/2022/01/27/cherokee-county-man-arrested-federal-child-pornography-charge/>

Saddle Brook Deliveryman, 19, Charged With Trafficking Child Porn

Jerry DeMarco
06/10/2022

A 19-year-old deliveryman from Saddle Brook was caught trafficking child porn, authorities charged.

Gregory Kaprelian “used the Internet to view, download, possess, distribute, and share files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children,” Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella said.

Cyber Crimes Unit detectives arrested Kaprelian during a raid at his home off Fairlawn Parkway on Thursday.

They collected more than 1,000 images, according to police records.

Kaprelian remained held Friday in the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack on child porn possession and distribution charges.

Musella thanked Saddle Brook police as well as members of the Bergen County Sheriff’s Office and Lyndhurst Police Department who participate in his Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/saddlebrook/news/saddle-brook-deliveryman-19-charged-with-trafficking-child-porn/834861/>

Hudson Valley Man Nabbed With Child Porn, Police Say

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A 37-year-old Hudson Valley man was charged after police said an investigation found that he was in possession of child pornography.

Orange County resident Gregory Liston, of the city of Newburgh, was arrested on Friday, Jan. 21, according to an announcement from New York State Police.

Liston was charged with two counts of promotion of a sexual performance by a child less than 17 years old and three counts of possession of a sexual performance by a child less than 16 years old, police reported.

Police said the investigation began after authorities received a CyberTip.

Liston was arraigned and remanded to the custody of the Orange County Sheriff's Office.

He is scheduled to appear in court again on Wednesday, Jan. 26.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-york/northsalem/police-fire/hudson-valley-man-nabbed-with-child-porn-police-say/824426/>

Harrison man accused of sharing child porn online charged with 28 felony counts

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Sunday, June

A Harrison man faces more than two dozen felony counts after state agents accused him of having child pornography videos on his cellphone, including some involving kids as young as 2.

Gregory Paul Rosato, 58, of the 1400 block of Pennsylvania Avenue was charged by the state Attorney General's Office with 27 counts of possession of child pornography along with a felony count of criminal use of a communications facility.

Rosato was released from custody after a Pittsburgh bail agency posted a \$50,000 bond on his behalf, according to court records. He faces a preliminary hearing before District Judge Carolyn Saldari Bengel on Wednesday, June 22.

Authorities began investigating Rosato on March 1 after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent police information about his alleged online activities.

The center said the information it reported to authorities was provided by the Kik social media platform, according to a criminal complaint.

Agents said the report from Kik included a pair of video files containing suspected child pornography that were uploaded and shared along with information used to identify Rosato. One of the videos involves a girl between the ages of 10 and 12, and the other involves a girl between 7 and 9.

Kik gave investigators the internet protocol, or IP, address used to identify an internet account as well as the username "BretHuskey69" and an associated email address, according to the complaint.

A judge issued a subpoena ordering Comcast to provide investigators with information about the people associated with the IP address, which led them to Rosato, police said.

Investigators obtained a search warrant for Rosato's home, where they found his

cellphone containing more than two dozen child porn videos after he provided them with the password for the device, according to the complaint.

Agents wrote in the complaint that Rosato agreed to speak to investigators and that his response when told they were executing a search warrant at his house was: "I am in trouble. It's me."

He allegedly told investigators "everything" they were looking for was on his phone.

Police said Rosato's iPhone 13 Pro Max contained 25 child pornography videos, the complaint said.

Rosato told police he began viewing child pornography when he was in his 30s and that he previously pleaded guilty to possession of child pornography, according to the complaint.

Court records show Rosato was sentenced to five years' probation in May 2010 after pleading guilty to three felony counts of possession of child pornography filed by the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office.

Rosato told police he regularly viewed child porn while serving probation and now watches it every day, according to his arrest papers. He told police he knows viewing child pornography is wrong, but he is not able to stop.

Investigators provided a synopsis of five of the 25 videos on Rosato's phone that showed children between the ages of 2 and 8 posing nude or engaging in sexual activity.

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/harrison-man-accused-of-sharing-child-porn-online-charged-with-28-felony-counts/#:~:text=Gregory%20Paul%20Rosato%2C%2058%2C%20of,use%20of%20a%20communications%20facility.>

19-year-old arrested on child pornography charges in Miami Beach

Amanda Batchelor, Digital Executive Producer
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MIAMI BEACH, Fla. – A 19-year-old man was arrested Thursday in Miami Beach on accusations that he downloaded multiple videos and images of child pornography.

According to the arrest report, one of the videos depicted a girl believed to be between the ages of 5 and 7 being forced to perform a sex act.

A boy believed to be between 7 to 10 years old was seen in another video, authorities said.

Police said there were also nude photos and videos of underage girls that had been downloaded by the suspect, who has been identified as Guillane Kyle Sampang.

According to his arrest report, Sampang's mother turned his cellphone video over to police, which authorities said was used to download the child pornography.

Sampang provided detectives with a statement, however that statement was redacted from the publicly released arrest report.

Sampang faces charges of transmitting child pornography and possession of material showing sexual performance by a child.

He is currently being held at the Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center.

<https://www.local10.com/news/local/2022/01/28/19-year-old-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-in-miami-beach/>

Clermont man accused of downloading child pornography

Nick Watson, The Times, Gainesville, Ga.

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Jul. 22—A Clermont man was accused of downloading more than 200 images of child pornography to his cell phone earlier this year, according to authorities.

Harley Hershel Payne Jr., 39, was charged with sexual exploitation of children. He was booked in to the Hall County Jail, where he remains with no bond.

Payne was originally arrested in June when investigators determined he had uploaded 15 videos and 11 "sexually explicit images of children" to three digital storage accounts, according to the Hall County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff's Office spokeswoman B.J. Williams said Payne uploaded these between Nov. 29 and Jan. 29, and he was charged with four counts of sexual exploitation of children.

The ongoing investigation determined he downloaded 216 images of child pornography to his phone on Feb. 1, which were stored on cloud servers, Williams said.

An additional charge of sexual exploitation of children was brought Tuesday, July 19.

https://www.yahoo.com/news/clermont-man-accused-downloading-child-185000643.html?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xlLmNvbS8&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAA Hd0MaYtEKasleH0L85nK2XTtePfCniuta18AeMZ6WmrCuhvJynRjddbEMO34WRMGxRiO88OuAQQBJvdOtAHiwB9S WvsPx-dni9JIMZFDIuAYc3imqUj3Zfk3dd5BTsmZel-bwWKZMYmO5V19Pof9QgawEQTrA_GzIOcLNx_7vNi

Burns Harbor man arrested on warrant for possession of child pornography

May 9, 2022

Burns Harbor-On Friday, a felony arrest warrant was served on 56-year-old Harold A. Harvey of Burns Harbor, In, by members of the Burns Harbor and Porter Police Departments.

This was the result of a lengthy investigation conducted by detectives assigned to the Indiana State Police Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force after a cyber tip was received in September 2021 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding activities on a social media account associated with Harvey.

A total of 14 additional tips were received over the next few months that were all found to be associated with other social media accounts linked to Harvey. A search warrant was executed at his residence in March 2022 and additional evidence was discovered.

The case was presented to the Porter County Prosecutor's Office which subsequently approved the filing of criminal charges against Harvey, who was incarcerated at the Porter County Jail where he will remain until his initial hearing. He has been charged with five counts related to the Possession of Child Pornography all level-5 felonies.

All suspects are presumed innocent until/unless proven guilty in court.

<https://www.wbiw.com/2022/05/09/burns-harbor-man-arrested-on-warrant-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Winter Haven men get 31 total life sentences after sexually abusing 8-year-old

by: Nathaniel Rodriguez
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TAMPA, Fla. (WFLA) — Two Winter Haven men will spend the rest of their lives in prison after being handed numerous life sentences for sexually abusing an 8-year-old and recording it.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office said Harrison Egbert, 33, of Winter Haven and David Lavin, Jr., 30, of Winter Haven were arrested in a month-long child pornography investigation.

A search of Egbert's home found 1,000 pictures and videos of children, as young as 2-years-old, being sexually battered.

Deputies said Egbert confessed to looking at thousands of child porn images on Snapchat and Instagram, some of which included infants. Egbert also told detectives that he sexually abused three girls, ages 5, 7, and 8.

According to the sheriff's office, Egbert admitted to recording the 8-year-old's abuse with Lavin's help. Lavin also admitted his involvement in multiple sexual batteries and child pornography crimes while being interviewed by detectives.

"Lavin transported one of the victims [an 8 year-old child] multiple times to Egbert's residence and participated in the videoing and photographing of the sexual abuse," a PCSO statement said.

Monday, Egbert pleaded no contest to two counts sexual battery by a suspect over 18 on a victim under 12, and two counts lewd molestation by a suspect over 18 on a victim under 12. Lavin to 21 counts of possession of child pornography, four counts sexual battery by a suspect over 18 on a victim under 12, one count lewd molestation, and one count promoting sexual performance by a child.

Judge Catherine Combee gave Lavin 27 consecutive life sentences and Egbert four consecutive life sentences. Both were deemed as sexual predators for their crimes.

"Through the years we have dealt with some truly despicable men who commit some of the most heinous crimes against children you can imagine, but these two are the worst of the worst," Sheriff Grady Judd said. "We appreciate the hard work of our detectives and the successful prosecution by State Attorney Brian Haas' Office. Lavin and Egbert will be locked up for the rest of their lives, where they can't hurt the most innocent of victims – our children."

<https://www.wfla.com/news/polk-county/winter-haven-men-get-31-total-life-sentences-after-sexually-abusing-8-year-old/#:~:text=The%20Polk%20County%20Sheriff's%20Office,month%2Dlong%20child%20pornography%20investigation.&text=A%20search%20of%20Egbert's%20home,%2Dold%2C%20being%20sexually%20battered>

2 arrested for sexual offenses against minors in the beach – KION546

February 3, 2022

SEASIDE, Calif. (KION-TV) – Seaside Police have arrested two men for sexual offenses against minors.

On Thursday morning, 29-year-old Hayden Johnson was arrested following a multi-state investigation.

Johnson was sent to Seaside Police after parents in Moscow Idaho reported suspicious Internet behavior to the Moscow Police Department.

The Idaho Crimes Against Children Task Force took over the investigation and identified Johnson as a suspect.

Johnson was booked in the Monterey County Jail for possessing child pornography and communicating with a juvenile with intent to possession of child porn.

Christopher Delvalle, 22, was arrested Wednesday afternoon and booked on charges of having sex with a minor, false imprisonment and battery.

Seaside Police Detectives learned that DelValle had been contacting minors on social media and developing a sexual relationship with them.

Detectives believe there are other victims who were attacked by DelValle, which have yet to be uncovered.

<https://darik.news/idaho/2-arrested-for-sexual-offenses-against-minors-in-the-beach-kion546/202202484026.html>

Prosecutors: New Jersey man used Snapchat to lure underage girl, mom alerted police

Burlington County FOX 29 Philadelphia
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BURLINGTON, N.J. - A Burlington County man is facing charges after prosecutors said he used Snapchat to try to coax an underage girl to meet up for sex but was thwarted by the victim's mother.

Hazleton Newman, 30, is charged with attempting to lure or entice a minor and endangering the welfare of a child, Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina announced on Wednesday.

According to investigators, Newman sent the underage victim videos and photos of himself and another woman involved in sexual activity.

He is accused of trying to lure the girl to his Chatsworth neighborhood for sex, according to prosecutors.

Authorities said the victim's mother contacted the Burlington City Police Department about her daughter's alleged communication with Newman.

Police searched Newman's home on Tuesday and placed him in custody.

Authorities fear that Newman may have contacted other underage girls online and urge anyone with information to come forward.

<https://www.fox29.com/news/prosecutors-new-jersey-man-used-snapchat-to-lure-underage-girl-mom-alerted-police>

Former soccer coach arrested in Arapahoe County for allegedly uploading child porn

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children alerted the sheriff's office

By KIERAN NICHOLSON | The Denver Post
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A former soccer coach has been arrested by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office as a suspect in an internet crimes against children investigation.

Howard "Bud" Harper, 63, allegedly uploaded child pornography from an IP address in Arapahoe County, the sheriff's office said in a news release. He is being investigated for felony sexual exploitation of children.

The sheriff's office received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) about the alleged upload of child porn, the release said.

Sheriff's investigators "discovered that files containing alleged child pornography were being uploaded" and the "files included underage victims ranging in age from toddlers to teens."

The former coach is employed by the "Real Soccer Club" as an age coordinator, the sheriff's office said.

A search warrant was executed on Wednesday and Harper was taken into custody. He was booked into the Arapahoe County Jail on 17 counts of investigation of sexual exploitation of children. An investigation is ongoing.

<https://www.denverpost.com/2022/08/10/former-soccer-coach-arrested-in-arapahoe-county-for-allegedly-uploading-child-porn/>

Franklin County Man Arrested for the Sexual Exploitation of Children

MARCH 15, 2022

Martin, GA (March 15, 2022) – On Friday, March 11, 2022, Howell Tim Scott, age 49, of Franklin County, Georgia, was arrested and charged with three counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material) and three counts Sexual Exploitation of Children (Distribution of Child Sexual Abuse Material) by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation’s Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit. The GBI CEACC Unit began an investigation into Scott’s online activity after receiving a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the online possession of images depicting child sexual abuse material (CSAM). This investigation led to a search warrant at Scott’s residence, where digital devices were searched and seized, and Scott was subsequently arrested. The GBI CEACC Unit was assisted in the execution of the search warrant by the Franklin County Sheriff’s Office.

Scott was transported to the Franklin County Jail upon his arrest.

This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI’s Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the child pornography trade. The ICAC Program, created by the U.S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child sexual abuse material, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims.

Anyone with information about other cases of child exploitation is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870. Tips can also be submitted by calling 1-800-597-TIPS(8477), online at <https://gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online>, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

<https://gbi.georgia.gov/press-releases/2022-03-15/franklin-county-man-arrested-sexual-exploitation-children>

Two charged after large amount of child porn found in Roanoke Rapids home

By WITN Web Team

Mar. 18, 2022

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N.C. (WITN) - Police in one Eastern Carolina city said they found a large amount of child pornography in a raid at a home on Tuesday.

Roanoke Rapids police charged Eddie Martin, 48, and Ian Bundy, 30, with 83 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of minors.

Police said their investigation began last year when they got the case from the North Carolina Internet Crimes against Children Task Force.

The case concluded Tuesday with the search of a home on Julian Allsbrook Highway. Martin and Bundy are both held on \$100,000 bonds and have March 24th court dates.

<https://www.witn.com/2022/03/18/two-charged-after-large-amount-child-porn-found-roanoke-rapids-homes/>

Paterson man was distributing child porn using Facebook Messenger

April 13, 2022 by Jonathan Greene

A man has been arrested for allegedly distributing child pornography using Facebook Messenger, according to the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office.

Imad Uddin, 24, of Paterson, has been charged with manufacturing child pornography, leader of a child pornography network, possession of child pornography, distribution of child pornography, and storing or maintaining child pornography on a file-sharing program.

Uddin was arrested by the Passaic County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force on Tuesday. He was using the internet to obtain, distribute, and maintain electronic files depicting the sexual exploitation or abuse of children ages 2 to 12. Authorities said Uddin was allegedly distributing images and videos of children engaged in sexual acts to other people via Facebook Messenger.

Uddin could face decades in prison if convicted on the charges. He is being held at the Passaic County Jail pending a court hearing.

<https://patersonimes.com/2022/04/13/paterson-man-was-distributing-child-porn-using-facebook-messenger/>

Tulsa man sentenced to seven years in prison for receiving and possessing child sex abuse materials

CSTBy Dana Nickel, FOX23 News
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TULSA, Okla. — Content Warning: The following article contains descriptions of sexual abuse of children under 12-years-old, and child sex abuse materials — otherwise known as child pornography.

Jack Clinton Brady Jr., 67, of Tulsa was sentenced in federal court Monday for receiving and possessing sexually explicit images and videos of minors, including children under 12-years-old, according to U.S. Attorney Clint Johnson.

“Jack Brady Jr. possessed nearly 7,200 image and video files of child sexual abuse material, some of which depicted the sadomasochistic abuse of children,” Johnson said. “Not only will he spend the next seven years in federal prison, but he will also financially compensate many of the victims for downloading and viewing the horrific abuse they were subjected to.”

Brady was sentenced to seven years in federal prison followed by seven years of supervised release. As required by the Amy, Vicky and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Act of 2018, U.S. District Judge Gregory K. Frizzell ordered Brady to pay \$39,000 in restitution to victims who were abused in creation of the child sexual abuse material.

In Aug. 2021, Brady pleaded guilty to receipt of child sexual abuse material and the possession of child sexual abuse material in Indian Country.

Brady admitted that from Jan. 1, 2018 to March 4, 2021, he used electronic means to download multiple computer files containing child sexual abuse material. He further admitted to possessing the depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, including depictions of minors under 12-years-old.

Authorities were notified of Brady’s criminal actions when a family member found a video of child sexual abuse materials on his laptop. Tulsa Police Department responded and identified the material as child sexual abuse. The family member said Brady, a charter bus driver at the time, was scheduled to drive high school students to an event the following day.

During an interview with law enforcement, Brady indicated that he had child sexual abuse materials on the laptop and external hard drives in a computer bag located in his bedroom. Multiple files found on Brady's electronic devices depicted the abuse of infants and toddlers and the sadomasochistic abuse of children younger than 12-years-old.

Brady is a citizen of the Osage Nation and the crimes occurred within the boundaries of the Muscogee Nation Reservation.

<https://www.fox23.com/news/local/tulsa-man-sentenced-seven-years-prison-receiving-possessing-child-sex-abuse-materials/KDEDNPED5ZGLXMPRDSV LGV6BA4/>

Police rescue child molestation victim as they arrest youth minister, six others on child pornography related charges

By John Bailey

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Among seven people arrested in a multi-agency child pornography sting last week was a youth minister who Floyd County police say was actively victimizing a child in his care and creating explicit videos.

Austin Wray Perkins, 25, is being held without bond at the Floyd County Jail on charges of felony aggravated child molestation as well as sexual exploitation of children.

As part of that arrest police rescued a minor who they say was being victimized by Perkins.

"The child had no family or support and had been taken in by (Perkins) for care," FCPD Sgt. Chris Fincher said. "The juvenile who was rescued by police was living with (Perkins) who was coaching the child about how to act in videos and also engaging in acts of child molestation."

The next step in the investigation Fincher said is to reach out to the church to find out if there are more victims. Several callers, and a Fox5 news report identified the church Perkins worked at as Grace Fellowship Baptist Church. Police declined to identify the church where Perkins was youth minister.

Among the files confiscated, Fincher said there were graphic images and videos involving children between 2 and 12 years old. Some of the content seized by police was created locally as well as others distributed worldwide through social media as well as online chat groups and messenger application. Each time those child pornography files are shared, those children are re-victimized, police said.

"These were innocent children in a bad place," Fincher said. "We're going to try and get them help in the best way we can."

2 days, 21 locations investigated, seven arrests

Along with Perkins, six other people were arrested around Floyd County in the two-day child pornography sting conducted by the Floyd County Police Department in partnership with the U.S. Secret Service and Georgia Bureau of Investigation in an

operation dubbed Spring Cleaning.

Tyler Antonio Johnson, 22, sent four sexually explicit images of several minors to other people over a social media app in November 2021. He's charged with felony computer pornography and was released on bond Wednesday.

Jackie Steve Autry, 65, is charged with felony sexual exploitation of children and possession of controlled substances after Floyd County police found sexually explicit images and videos of a minor, as well as a glass pipe with suspected meth in his possession. Autry was held on a \$15,000 bond Thursday.

Richard Alan Castleman, 26, of Cave Spring, was arrested at his Fincher Street home and charged with felony computer pornography after Floyd County police officers found a sexually explicit video of a minor on his phone. He was released on \$15,000 bond.

Jason Michael Gass, 27, was arrested at his Kingston Avenue home after Floyd County sheriff's deputies found over an ounce of marijuana, THC oil, smoking devices and sexually explicit photographs of minors. Gass is accused of using a social media app to receive and exchange several files of child sexual abuse. The pornography found was between the dates of Aug. 20 to Aug. 22, 2021.

Gass is charged with felony computer pornography, felony marijuana possession, THC oil possession and misdemeanor drug related object possession. Gass was released on \$15,000 bond Wednesday.

Joab Hayden Stewart, 24, is charged with sexual exploitation of children after Floyd County police found sexually explicit materials featuring minors. He was released on bond Wednesday. Stewart was released on \$15,000 bond.

The seventh person arrested in the investigation was a 16-year-old juvenile. Their personal information or charges have not been released.

Investigators say additional arrests are expected as the investigation continues this week.

The investigation

The two-day investigation was a federal, state and local law enforcement partnership between the FCPD, GBI and U.S. Secret Service Cyber Crime Taskforce which included

two investigators from the Cobb County Police Department.

Seven members of that taskforce were able to perform on-the-spot examinations of computers, phones and gaming devices to retrieve evidence in a matter of hours. They would normally have taken days or weeks.

“The Secret Service examined 13 items of digital evidence while on location with investigators totaling 5 terabytes of data,” Fincher said. Overall, 26 items in total were collected and are being reviewed with another 5 terabytes of data.

“There’s a lot more data than there was five or 10 years ago,” U.S. Secret Service Special Agent in Charge Steven R. Baisel said. “If you printed out on paper 1 terabyte it would fill the back of a semi-truck.”

Baisel said potentially millions of files of child pornography were confiscated, and the task force is going to keep on looking for others creating, downloading and distributing child pornography.

He then directed a statement at those who are continuing to produce and download child pornography.

“You’re going to get caught,” Baisel said. “We’re actively pursuing this.”

https://www.northwestgeorgianews.com/police-rescue-child-molestation-victim-as-they-arrest-youth-minister-six-others-on-child-pornography/article_265403f0-a2d3-11ec-9078-bf1313a5ad80.html

Dozens of counts: Shreveport man charged with child porn, animal sex abuse

by: Emily Greer

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CADDO PARISH, La. (KTAL/KMSS) — A Shreveport man is in custody in Caddo Parish, facing dozens of counts of child pornography and sexual abuse of animals.

The Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office says investigators arrested 25-year-old Jacob Butler Monday after cyber crimes detectives found videos and images of child pornography and sexual animal abuse on his electronic devices.

In a statement announcing the arrest, Detective Thomas Lites said Butler downloaded, possessed, and uploaded numerous files of child pornography online. During the initial investigation, detectives say they found 70 illegal videos and images on his devices.

Butler is booked into Caddo Correctional Center on 29 counts of pornography involving juveniles and 41 counts of sexual abuse of animals.

CPSO says the investigation is ongoing and Bulter could face more charges.

<https://www.ktalnews.com/news/crime/dozens-of-counts-shreveport-man-charged-with-child-porn-animal-sex-abuse/#:~:text=The%20Caddo%20Parish%20Sheriff's%20Office,abuse%20on%20his%20electronic%20devices>

A child porn investigation leads to an arrest in Jefferson County

WSIU Public Radio | By Brad Palmer
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A man is accused of child pornography in Mt. Vernon.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Department reports 26-year-old Jacob Higgins has been arrested for 10 counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

On April 29th, the Sheriff's Office Detective Division received a tip through the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force of suspected child pornography activity in the Jefferson County area.

Search warrants led to evidence and an additional search warrant for a residence on South 25th Street in Mt. Vernon. The warrant was served on Monday and evidence was collected at the residence.

On Tuesday, Higgins was arrested after the initial examination of the evidence collected at the residence.

<https://news.wsiu.org/2022-05-25/a-child-porn-investigation-leads-to-an-arrest-in-jefferson-county>

La Crosse man suspected of possessing child pornography

By Samantha Nitz

Apr. 1, 2022

LA CROSSE, Wis. (WEAU) -A La Crosse man is suspected of possessing child pornography.

The charges filed against 25-year-old Jacob Krause include three counts of possession of child pornography.

According to the criminal complaint, on March 11, 2022 authorities received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited children which reported files had been uploaded of suspected child pornography. The IP address used led authorities to Krause.

According to the criminal complaint, authorities found a hard drive during a search of Krause's room. A search of that hard drive that was removed from his desktop computer revealed "multiple" images of suspected child pornography. A notebook was also found in Krause's room. That notebook contained usernames and passwords. On that notebook was also the same email address listed in the original Cybertip.

When authorities attempted an interview, Krause told authorities he didn't want to answer any questions at the time. Krause was taken to the La Crosse County Jail on March 28.

According to April 1, 2022 court documents, a \$1,000 cash bond has been posted for Krause.

<https://www.weau.com/2022/04/01/la-crosse-man-suspected-possessing-child-pornography/>

Quinton man charged after child porn allegations

By Derrick James | Staff Writer
14, 2022

Feb

A tip from Snapchat began a month's long investigation that led to a Pittsburg County man being charged with possessing and distributing child pornography.

Jacob Tyler Spears, 23, of Quinton, was charged with possession of child pornography, distribution of obscene material or child pornography, and violation of the computer crimes act, according to court documents filed in Pittsburg County District Court.

Court documents show a warrant was issued Feb. 10 with a bond of \$100,000 with Spears appearing in court Feb. 11 and given a lowered bond of \$25,000 "by DA agreement."

District 18 District Attorney Chuck Sullivan said his office was honoring an agreement of self-surrender and bond amount that was made with an attorney who was representing Spears before Spears changed attorneys.

Spears was ordered to "report to PCSO to book in immediately," by Pittsburg County Associate District Judge Tim Mills.

According to a probable cause affidavit prepared by Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Agent Jordan Toyne, a Sept. 6, 2021, tip from Snapchat of suspected child pornography was sent to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tip included a username, an email address, a date of birth, and an IP address for the account that "uploaded two files of child pornography," the report states.

A total of three girls under the age of 18 were depicted in the two photos that were allegedly uploaded by the user, the affidavit states.

According to the affidavit, the OSBI subpoenaed Google, which gave investigators the username of the email address and a "recovery phone number" for the account.

U.S. Cellular, in response to a subpoena from the OSBI, stated Spears was an authorized account holder for the account the phone number was associated with and also gave a billing address in Quinton, the report states.

Toyne wrote in his report on Feb. 1, 2022 he located the address with the name

"Spears" on a mailbox outside the residence prior to a search warrant being issued for the residence on Feb. 10.

"No one was at the residence at the time of the warrant," the affidavit states. Toyne also wrote in the affidavit that he called the phone number that was associated with the email with Spears identifying himself when he answered the phone. Court records show a preliminary hearing conference in the case is scheduled for March 3, 2022.

https://www.mcalesternews.com/news/crime/quinton-man-charged-after-child-porn-allegations/article_847378d7-4509-54d9-a715-dff3199f2e76.html#:~:text=Jacob%20Tyler%20Spears%2C%2023%2C%20of,in%20Pittsburg%20County%20District%20Court.

22-year-old Benton man charged with 53 counts of child porn

By Jack A. Webb
July 5th 2022

LITTLE ROCK (KATV) — A 22-year-old Benton man has been arrested after authorities said he was caught possessing child pornography, the Saline County Sheriff's Office reported Tuesday.

Detectives with the SCSO Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force took Jacob Dylan Tidwell into custody without incident on Friday and charged him with 53 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, the sheriff's office said in a news release.

The SCSO said Tidwell had been the suspect in an ongoing investigation involving the possession of child pornography through an online service provider.

In the release, Sheriff Rodney Wright reminded the citizens of Saline County that his office is "dedicated to protecting children online and investigating crimes committed against children which are facilitated by the Internet and computer usage."

A spokesperson with the SCSO said a suspect convicted in matters depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child can receive up to 10 years in prison per photo.

<https://katv.com/news/local/22-year-old-benton-man-charged-with-53-counts-of-child-porn-pornography-saline-county-sheriffs-office-scsso-internet-crimes-against-children-icac-task-force-suspect-jacob-dylon-tidwell-possessing-sexually-explicit-conduct-online-rodney-wright-arkansas-ar>

Miramar Teen Accused of Possessing Child Pornography

Jaden Nicholas Clarke, 18, allegedly had over 100 videos and pictures on an Internet storage service and cellphone

By Wayne Roustan

June 14, 2022

An 18-year-old Miramar man is looking at some serious jail time if he's convicted of looking at child pornography.

Jaden Nicholas Clarke's name popped up in a couple of cyber-tips to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in December and January, according to the arrest report.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force traced the tips to a pair of accounts on an Internet cloud storage service.

Detectives said they found over 100 videos and pictures of boys and girls between the ages of two and 12 performing sex acts alone, with each other, and with adults.

The accounts were linked to a Miramar address where police served a search warrant on Friday.

During questioning, Clarke admitted to creating the accounts, downloading and viewing child pornography through computer access and his cellphone, the report stated.

One investigator said at least 10 child pornography videos were viewed on Clarke's cellphone.

Clarke was arrested and charged with 11 pornography-related counts and was released Sunday from the Broward County Jail on bonds totaling \$11,000, records show.

<https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/miramar-teen-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/2784117/>

Bolivia man arrested for up to twenty counts of sexual exploitation of a minor

Bolivia man arrested for up to twenty counts of sexual exploitation of a minor
(Brunswick County Sheriff's Office)

By WECT Staff
May. 2, 2022

BOLIVIA, N.C. (WECT) - The Brunswick County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Unit has charged 43-year-old Jake Robertson Callari with 10 counts of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor and 10 counts of third degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Callari was arrested on April 1 and is currently inside the Brunswick County detention Facility.

<https://www.wect.com/2022/05/02/bolivia-man-arrested-up-twenty-counts-sexual-exploitation-minor/>

Wrightsville man arrested on child porn charges

30-year-old Jake Robert Scott is being held in the Johnson County Jail.

By Tucker Sargent

April 26, 2022

A Johnson County Sheriff's Office Facebook post says 30-year-old Jake Robert Scott is charged with two felony counts of sexual exploitation of children (possession of child pornography).

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit, along with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, executed a search warrant Tuesday pertaining to an ongoing sexual exploitation of children investigation, which began after the GBI CEACC Unit received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

"The cybertip involved the possession and/or distribution of explicit child sexual abuse material, commonly referred to as child pornography," the post read.

Scott is being held in the Johnson County Jail.

<https://www.41nbc.com/wrightsville-man-arrested-child-porn-charges/>

Norwalk Man Charged with Child Pornography Offenses

Thursday, May 12, 2022

Vanessa Roberts Avery, United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, and David Sundberg, Special Agent in Charge of the New Haven Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, today announced that JAKE SCOTT FLEWELLYN, 24, of Norwalk, has been charged by federal criminal complaint with child pornography offenses.

Flewellyn surrendered to law enforcement yesterday afternoon. He appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge S. Dave Vatti in Bridgeport and was released on a \$100,000 bond under electronic monitoring.

As alleged in court documents, in December 2021, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children ("NCMEC") received a report from the provider of the smartphone messaging application Kik about a Kik user who was distributing videos of child pornography through its service. Kik deactivated the user's account. In early April 2022, while federal law enforcement was investigating this matter to determine the Kik user's identity, Kik submitted to NCMEC another report of a user account that was being used to distribute videos of child pornography. The investigation revealed that Flewellyn created both Kik accounts and used them to distribute images and videos depicting child sex abuse

The complaint charges Flewellyn with distribution of child pornography, an offense that carries a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of five years and a maximum term of imprisonment of 20 years, and accessing with intent to view child pornography, an offense that carries a maximum term of imprisonment of 20 years.

U.S. Attorney Avery stressed that a complaint is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. Charges are only allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

This matter is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the assistance of the Norwalk Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Robert S. Dearington and Neeraj N. Patel.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-ct/pr/norwalk-man-charged-child-pornography-offenses>

Tuscaloosa man arrested, charged with spreading 'obscene matter' involving child

by ABC 33/40 Monday, November 7th 2022

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, Ala. (WBMA) — A Tuscaloosa man is facing 10 charges of dissemination or display of obscene matter depicting a child younger than 17.

The West Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force said 34-year-old Jamal Coy Patton Al-Sayyad was indicted on Wednesday October 5. He was taken into custody Friday, October 28.

The task force said he was released after posting a \$30,000 bond later that day.

The task force said the charges stemmed from an investigation conducted along with the Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in August of 2022.

Investigators were also assisted by the University of Alabama's Joint Electronic Crimes Task Force.

<https://abc3340.com/news/local/alabama-tuscaloosa-county-human-trafficking-task-force-arrest-child-pornography-jamal-coy-patton-al-sayyad-alabama-internet-crimes-against-children>

Kennett Square Man Arrested for Possession of Child Pornography

November 8, 2022 - by MyChesCo

KENNETT SQUARE, PA — James Bell IV, a 26-year-old from Kennett Township, Pennsylvania, was arrested on Monday, November 7th for possession of child pornography. The arrest was made after a months-long investigation by the Kennett Square Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division.

Authorities state that the investigation began in December 2021, after the Chester County Detectives received a report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) about suspected child pornography being shared on social media platforms Tumblr, Dropbox, and Snapchat. NCMEC's CyberTips program flagged the account associated with Bell's IP address as being located in Chadds Ford, Kennett Township.

A search warrant was obtained and executed at Bell's residence, which resulted in the seizure of electronic devices. Further searches of those devices uncovered evidence of child pornography allegedly belonging to Bell. He was taken into custody and is currently being held at the Chester County Prison on \$250,000 bail.

Sgt. Christopher Gravina, a Chester County Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force member, investigated the incident. Kennett Square Police Department was assisted by the Chester County ICAC Task Force members, the Chester County Detectives, and the Kennett Township Police Department.

If you have any information about this case or any other child pornography cases, contact the Kennett Square Police Department at 610-444-0501.

<https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/social-issues/crime/kennett-square-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Reno sex offender sentenced for possession of child pornography

by News 4 & Fox 11 Digital Staff
July 8th, 2022

Friday,

RENO, Nev. (News 4 & Fox 11) — A Reno sex offender is sentenced for possessing child pornography and will serve a maximum of six years behind bars, announced Friday.

62-year-old James Nicolas Cannel pled guilty in November last year to one count involving the possession of pornography of a person under the age of sixteen. The investigation began in May 2020 after the Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about online activity involving the digital transfer of files suspected of child pornography.

Cannel was identified as a suspect by detectives from WCSO, the Regional Sex Offender Notification Unit and the Internet Crimes Against Children-Exploitation Task Force, ultimately resulting in his arrest.

Upon further investigation, Cannel was found to be a registered sex offender, having been previously convicted on Federal charges of possession of child pornography.

Cannel will be eligible for parole after serving two years in prison.

<https://mynews4.com/news/local/reno-sex-offender-sentenced-for-child-pornography-washoe-county-sheriffs-office-wcso-internet-investigation-crimes-against-children-exploitation-task-force-arrest-james-nicolas-cannel>

Edgefield Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

FEB 25, 2022

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of James Thomas Covar, 57, of Edgefield, S.C., on three charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Attorney General's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Edgefield County Sheriff's Office, Greenwood County Sheriff's Office, U.S. Secret Service, and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators state Covar possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Covar was arrested on February 16, 2022. He is charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

<https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/edgefield-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/>

Hartsville man charged with distributing child porn

By: Braley Dodson

Jun 6, 2022

HARTSVILLE, S.C. (WBTW) — A 25-year-old Hartsville man is facing three counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor after authorities said that he distributed child sexual abuse material.

James Michael Dees, Jr. was arrested after the South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson's office received a tip that Dees was distributing the materials, according to an announcement. Dees was arrested on June 1.

The offense dates for the charges are June 28 and July 20, according to booking information. He received a \$30,000 bond for each charge and has since been released from the W. Glenn Campbell Detention Center.

If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison for each count.

<https://www.wbtw.com/news/pee-dee/hartsville/hartsville-man-charged-with-distributing-child-porn/>

Geneva police arrest a Covington Co. man on child porn charges

by: Mike Gurspan

Posted: Oct 31, 2022

GENEVA CO., Ala.(WDHN)—A Covington Co. man is in the Geneva County Jail accused of several criminal charges, including child pornography.

On Friday, Geneva police say they located James Hatcher living with relatives in the "Simmons Creek" sub-division off county road 41. The 42-year-old was being sought by the Covington County Sheriff's Office for multiple counts of child porn charges.

In addition, he reportedly gave a false identity when located. Police are seeing an increase in sex charges against children. They urge parents to monitor their kids' social media sites

Like Instagram", tik-tock, and others.

Captain McDuffie stresses for parents to constantly monitor, who their kids are talking to online, and what sites they're looking at.

<https://www.wdhn.com/news/local-news/geneva-police-arrest-a-covington-co-man-on-child-porn-charges/>

Lawrence man charged with multiple counts of child pornography

MAR 24, 2022

A Lawrence man has been charged with multiple counts of possessing and sharing child pornography.

The man, James D. Kaberline II, 40, was charged Wednesday with four counts of internet trading in child pornography, a level 5 person felony, and four counts of sexual exploitation of a child by possessing media of a child under the age of 18, also a level 5 person felony, according to charging documents.

Each felony count could come with a sentence of up to 55 months, according to Kansas sentencing guidelines.

Kaberline was arrested around 7:20 a.m. Tuesday and had his first appearance in Douglas County District Court Wednesday afternoon, when a bond was set at \$20,000, according to court records.

Kaberline bonded out of jail around 5 p.m. Wednesday and is required to wear a GPS ankle monitoring device, according to the jail booking log. A preliminary hearing has been set for March 29.

The Douglas County Sheriff's Office declined to release Kaberline's booking photo.

<https://www2.ljworld.com/news/public-safety/2022/mar/24/lawrence-man-charged-with-multiple-counts-of-child-pornography/>

Former Salvation Army program director charged with nearly a dozen child pornography related charges in Jacksonville

Lariscy was the senior counselor and program director of the residential rehab program at the Salvation Army for 18 years, documents say.

Author: First Coast News Staff
March 15, 2022

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A former Salvation Army program director in Jacksonville has been arrested and charged with possession of child pornography.

James Lariscy, 69, was arrested in Jan. 14 on 11 counts of possessing child pornography. His listed occupation was a counselor at The Salvation Army.

In a document requesting modification of bail, it says Lariscy was the senior counselor and program director of the residential rehab program at the Salvation Army for 18 years.

He was fired as a result of this arrest, the document says.

On Jan. 14, 2022, an arrest report shows that police were able to arrest Lariscy at his apartment on Newnan Street.

His arrest came exactly a year after the warrant was issued, documents state.

His bond was reduced from \$800,000 to \$22,000, according to court records. He is still in the Duval County Jail.

<https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/crime/former-salvation-army-program-director-charged-with-nearly-a-dozen-child-pornography-charges/77-77dd4977-c24e-4ccb-9421-ba4784e52af2>

Las Vegas police: Man took, shared photos of children, women at gyms, pools

by: David Charns
Sep 15, 2022

Year-long investigation yields arrest

LAS VEGAS (KLAS) — A Las Vegas man is accused of taking photos of women and children at gyms and public pools and then sharing the images, police wrote in court documents obtained Thursday by the 8 News Now Investigators.

James Seebeck faces two child pornography-related charges, records showed, following his arrest on Sept. 6.

In May 2021, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a report from a social media company about 23 files of “child sexual exploitation,” police wrote in the report. A device in question was believed to be in the Las Vegas area and NCMEC began to involve Metro police.

In July 2021, an investigator learned the IP address involved was tied to Seebeck, police said. In March 2022, investigators executed a search warrant on Seebeck’s Google account, finding “multiple candid photos of women and female children” from gyms and public pools, documents said. The account also contained identifying information about Seebeck, police said.

In June, police served a search warrant with the help of the FBI at Seebeck’s home, police said. The location of the arrest was redacted in the documents. Investigators spoke to Seebeck about who would have access to the internet.

“When asked about the photographs in his email account, which depict young female children in the pool in bathing suits and capturing the buttocks area of another juvenile female walking through a parking lot in her gymnastics leotard, James admitted he knows taking these images were wrong,” police wrote in the report. “James stated that he immediately deleted them and never sent them to anyone.”

Police wrote in the documents that Seebeck allegedly took the photos and distributed them through the social media platform, documents said. They said they also found files depicting child pornography on a computer.

“When asked about why he could capture these images, James stated he likes ‘butts,’ but he has enough ‘self-restraint’ to not act on anything,” police wrote in court documents.

Seebeck posted bail and was due back in court in October.

<https://www.8newsnow.com/investigators/las-vegas-police-man-took-shared-photos-of-children-women-at-gyms-pools/>

Google tip leads to multiple charges for Wausau-area man

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By Shereen Siewert Wausau Pilot & Review
2022

April 11,

A tip from Google about sexually explicit photos allegedly stored on its servers led to 11 felony charges against a Wausau-area man after an investigation by the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

James Siddons, 54, of Schofield, faces 11 counts of possession of child pornography in a case filed April 5 in Marathon County Circuit Court.

The material was reported Oct. 15 to local officials, who traced the photos and videos to Siddons' account, according to court documents. Wisconsin Dept. of Justice officials sent local investigators four video files, which were later secured into evidence at the Everest Metro Police Department. The files sent included a video of a toddler being sexually assaulted by an adult, court documents show.

Police obtained a warrant on Dec. 9 to search Google files for additional material allegedly stored by Siddons, and then searched his home on April 4., the day he was arrested. Charges were filed one day later.

During an initial appearance April 5, Circuit Judge Scott Corbett set a \$25,000 cash bond for Siddons, who remains behind bars as of April 11. A pretrial conference is set for Thursday.

<https://wausaupilotandreview.com/2022/04/11/google-tip-leads-to-multiple-charges-for-wausau-area-man/>

Union County employee arrested for child pornography

Jamie Belk is currently in the Union County Jail and his conditions of release have not been set at this time.

By WBTV Web Staff
Oct. 27, 2022

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (WBTV) - Union County Sheriff's Office detectives arrested a Union County employee following an Internet Crimes Against Children Investigation.

Jamie Belk, 48, a maintenance technician for Union County, was charged with one count of felony third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and one count of felony secretly peeping.

According to deputies, the investigation began when detectives received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding the possession and downloading of images flagged as child pornography.

"We have taken immediate action to suspend Jamie Belk's employment with Union County without pay while these serious allegations are investigated," Union County Manager Mark Watson said.

Belk is currently in the Union County Jail and his conditions of release have not been set at this time.

"Our detectives were able to effectively utilize this cyber tip to identify and ultimately arrest a suspect in this case," Union County Sheriff Eddie Cathey said. "I am proud of the work that was done during this investigation and this agency will continue to aggressively investigate and arrest those in our community seeking to exploit our children."

This investigation is ongoing and anyone with information pertaining to this case should contact the UCSO at (704)283-3789.

<https://www.wbtv.com/2022/10/28/union-county-employee-arrested-child-pornography/>

Cass County man accused of distributing child pornography

By WICS/WRSP Staff

January 19th 2022

VIRGINIA, Ill. (WICS/WRSP) — A Cass County man is facing charges after Illinois State Police (ISP) say he distributed child pornography.

Jared A. Logsdon, 40, of Virginia, Illinois, was arrested on Tuesday, Jan. 18.

The Cass County State's Attorney's Office filed a nine-count information, charging Logsdon with two counts of dissemination of child pornography (Class X Felony), two counts of dissemination of child pornography (Class 1 Felony), and five counts of possession of child pornography (Class 2 Felony).

Logsdon is now at the Schuyler County Jail.

His bond was set at \$250,000.

Anonymous tips on child pornography can also be reported through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) cyber tip line at www.cybertipline.com.

<https://khqa.com/news/local/cass-county-man-accused-of-distributing-child-pornography>

Grafton man arrested for allegedly possessing, distributing child pornography

A Taylor County man was arrested on Monday after officers conducted an investigation about files of child pornography being uploaded to a cloud service.

By WDTV News Staff Mar. 22, 2022

BRIDGEPORT, W.Va (WDTV) - A Taylor County man was arrested on Monday after officers conducted an investigation about files of child pornography being uploaded to a cloud service.

An investigation was started in December 2021 about multiple files of child pornography being uploaded to a cloud service, according to a criminal complaint.

Officers said the person, later identified as Jarred Knotts, 24, of Grafton, uploaded a video four times in November 2021 of explicit content involving a young girl.

The report says investigators looked into another video of explicit content involving a young girl being uploaded twice on March 1 and 2.

Officers said they interviewed Knotts on Monday, March 21, and he "confessed that he had used a cell phone" and "received videos and images containing child pornography."

Knotts further said he saved "some of these images to his cell phone as screenshots" and that he "sent images and videos of child pornography to other people," according to court documents.

Knotts has been charged with possession and distribution of child pornography and is being held at Tygart Valley Regional Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

<https://www.wdtv.com/2022/03/22/grafton-man-arrested-allegedly-possessing-distributing-child-pornography/>

Jamestown resident charged with possessing Child Pornography

24 June 2022

NEW YORK STATE POLICE
Major Eugene J. Staniszewski

PRESS RELEASE

On June 12th, 2022, members of the New York State Police arrested Jarred Ristau, 21, of Jamestown, for 10 counts of Possessing an Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child.

The State Police received a report of child pornography with the Snap Chat user name and email address provided. A subpoena revealed that the IP address associated with the Snap Chat account was Ristau's. A search warrant was served on Ristau's residence and multiple electronic items were seized. The New York State Police Computer Crimes Unit analyzed the electronics and reported they were positive for contraband. Ristau was placed under arrest, processed at SP Jamestown, and released with appearance tickets. Ristau is scheduled to appear in the city of Jamestown Court on a later date.

<https://www.nyspnews.com/jamestown-resident-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography.htm>

Largo man charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography

By TAMPA BAY NEWSPAPERS STAFF
Mar 7, 2022

LARGO — A 69-year-old Largo man was arrested about 8:56 a.m. March 3 for reportedly uploading multiple images of child pornography to a Google Drive.

Jarry Thomas Bowen was booked into Pinellas County Jail on 10 counts of possession of child pornography and one count of transmission of child pornography. Bail was set at \$105,000.

Largo police began an investigation in June 2021 after a detective received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children as part of his duties in the Internet Crimes Against Children task force.

According to Largo police, the report was filed by Google and revealed that Bowen had uploaded more than 200 files into Google Drive, including more than 100 images of children. Throughout the investigation, a search warrant was obtained, and additional information was gathered against Bowen, which verified the tip and images received

Largo police executed a search warrant at Bowen's residence on March 3 and Bowen was taken into custody without incident. Police say he admitted to his involvement with child pornography over the past 10 years.

The case is still open pending forensic reviews of the evidence retrieved from the search warrant.

https://www.tbnweekly.com/pinellas_county/crime_crashes_fire/article_df181216-9b47-11ec-b263-2b21ca068dd8.html

Tri-State man arrested on 10 child porn charges

by WKRC

October 20th 2022

CINCINNATI (WKRC) - A Tri-State man was arrested and charged with ten counts involving child pornography. Officers arrested Jason Bond downtown Thursday.

Members of the Regional Electronics & Computer Investigations section received a complaint from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force about the child porn last month.

Investigators identified Bond as the suspect. Some of the porn allegedly found in his possession involved infants.

Deputies tracked Bond down to 9th and Main streets and took him into custody. He'll be arraigned on Friday.

The investigation is ongoing, anyone with information is asked to contact Regional Electronics & Computer Investigations at 513.946.8338.

<https://local12.com/news/local/tri-state-man-arrested-on-10-child-porn-charges-cincinnati-ohio-jason-bond-infants-babies-pornography-arrest-deputies-crime-kentucky-indiana>

Sagle man waives prelim hearing

By ANNISA KEITH

Staff Writer | March 10, 2022 1:00 AM

SANDPOINT — A Sagle man has been bound over to First District Court to face 15 charges of child exploitative material.

Jason Duane Edgar, 45, waived his right to a preliminary hearing on Wednesday, agreeing to face the charges in the court process.

Edgar was arrested on Feb. 17 by investigators within the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit, who seized his phone and retained it as evidence.

Toddlers were featured in the material discovered on Edgar's phone in many instances, according to court documents.

The AG's CyberTipline received a report from Google of "apparent child pornography" being accessed and downloaded on Edgar's phone.

Although Edgar concealed his IP address using a VPN, more than one of the incriminating documents identified Edgar's device and location. The information was then collected by Google and reported to the AG's ICAC Unit, according to court documents.

According to a probable cause affidavit, charges against Edgar date back to 2013, but the earliest specific charge is from Oct. 16, 2019.

Edgar admitted to arresting officials that he began looking at child pornography in 2013, which would imply additional charges that were not implicated in Edgar's current court case.

Edgar is currently detained at the Bonner County Jail, he is scheduled to appear for arraignment on March 21. He has 40 other cases in the Idaho court database dating back to 1996. It is unclear if Edgar has charges in other states, or if the material involved people living in Idaho.

<https://bonnercountydailybee.com/news/2022/mar/10/sagle-man-faces-15-exploitation-charges/>

Youth minister, 6 others arrested in child pornography sting in north Georgia

March 10, 2022

Seven people, including a youth minister, have been arrested after the Floyd County Police Department rescued a child from a home where pornography was being produced.

Police said a officers led a two-day sweep of the Rome and Cave Spring area after reports of suspicious cyber activity. Police got tips about suspected child pornography circulating in the area involving children from two to 12 years old.

Investigators visited 21 locations during Operation Spring Cleaning and made seven arrests. Of those arrested was a youth minister and community leader who was coaching the child about how to act in videos and also molesting the child.

Police said the child had no family for support and had been taken in by the youth minister for care.

Investigators seized child pornography that was made locally and several terabytes of data. They also recovered prosthetics that were being used by the suspects to simulate sex acts with children.

Among those arrested were:

Jackie Steve Autry, 64

Richard Alan Castleman, 26

Jason Michael Gass, 27

Tyler Antonio Johnson, 23

Austin Wray Perkins, 25

Joab Hayden Stewart, 24

<https://www.wsbradio.com/news/local/youth-minister-6-others-arrested-child-pornography-sting-north-georgia/2AQXVOB745DZBDXPQOGTYPVRWY/>

Breaking: Monroe man arrested Friday on child pornography charges

08/26/2022

Sharon Swanepoel

MONROE, GA (Aug. 26, 2022) – City of Monroe Police Department reports that a 44-year-old Monroe man has been arrested on charges of child pornography.

According to a press release from MPD, on Friday, Aug. 26, investigators with the Monroe Police Department and the Georgia Bureau of Investigations (GBI) conducted a search warrant in the 800 block of Stewart Court after receiving a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children database.

“Jason Bradley Hood, 44, of Monroe, was arrested and charged with three counts of Possession of Child Pornography. Police investigators confiscated numerous cell phones and other electronic devices from the residence. This is an active investigation, and more charges could be filed. The Monroe Police Department would like to thank the GBI for their assistance,” MPD Capt. Brent Davis said in the press release. “The Monroe Police Department will continue working diligently with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and in partnership with any federal, state, or local law enforcement agency to investigate those engaging in internet crimes against children.”

<https://news.monroelocal.org/breaking-monroe-man-arrested-friday-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Villa Ridge man accused of possessing child porn

By William Skipworth • Local Government Reporter

Mar 23, 2022

A Villa Ridge man being investigated on drug allegations has been accused of having child pornography on his phone, according to a newly filed criminal case.

Jason G. Howard, 37, has been charged with one count of possession of child pornography, a Class B felony.

On May 17, 2021, a Union Police Department officer reportedly seized Howard's smart phone as part of an investigation into a report that Howard had been distributing drugs to children, according to a probable cause statement filed by the Union Police Department.

After receiving a search warrant, the officer allegedly found three pornographic images and two pornographic videos of a 13-year-old girl. The officer also allegedly found that Howard had sent one of the images to a friend.

The probable cause statement says that the 13-year-old girl was able to identify herself in one of the videos during an interview with police.

No hearings have been scheduled for this case yet, according to online court records.

https://www.emissourian.com/local_news/villa-ridge-man-accused-of-possessing-child-porn/article_de1a4f9e-aab7-11ec-b786-23d2b5c98cf8.html

Department of Justice
U.S. Attorney's Office
Western District of New York

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
November 10, 2022

Thursday,

Greece Man Arrested On Multiple Child Pornography Charges

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-U.S. Attorney Trini E. Ross announced today that Jason Lane, 27, of Greece, NY, was arrested and charged by criminal complaint with production, receipt, and possession of child pornography. The charges carry a minimum penalty of 15 years, a maximum of 30 years, and a \$250,000 fine.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kyle P. Rossi, who is handling the case, stated that according to the complaint, in July and August 2022, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) received tips from Yahoo that a Yahoo user uploaded approximately 260 files of possible child pornography. NCMEC forwarded the information to the New York State Police. A subsequent investigation traced the files to an IP address belonging to Lane, a former Town of Greece police recruit, who was terminated following a probationary period. The files include an image of a partially nude preschool-aged child, which appears to have been taken at a childcare facility in the Rochester, NY, area. The files also include sexually explicit images of two minor victims (Victim 1 and Victim 2), that appear to have been taken by Lane.

On August 9, 2022, the NYSP executed a search warrant at a residence in Brighton, NY, and seized a cellular phone. A second search warrant was executed at a residence in Greece, NY. A forensic analysis of the phone recovered one file of child pornography, and two files of child erotica. A search warrant was also executed on Lane's Yahoo account. That search recovered images of students at Spencerport High School that appear to have been taken surreptitiously by Lane when he worked as a security guard at the school.

The complaint is the result of an investigation by the New York State Police, under the direction of Major Brian J. Ratajczak, and Homeland Security Investigations, under the direction of Special Agent-in-Charge Matthew Scarpino.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdny/pr/greece-man-arrested-multiple-child-pornography-charges>

Flowery Branch man arrested for uploading child porn to Snapchat

By Now Habersham
8, 2022

June

A Flowery Branch man has been arrested on child pornography charges following an investigation by the Hall County Sheriff's Office.

Investigators reviewing a May 2, 2022 cybertip report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCEMC) found evidence implicating Jason Manning in a child pornography case. According to investigators, Manning reportedly used his Snapchat account to share a video of a young child being sexually assaulted by an adult.

Deputies arrested the 48-year-old Manning on Tuesday, June 7. He's currently being held at the Hall County Jail.

Manning has been charged with one count each of possession of child pornography and distribution of child pornography. Investigators seized several electronic devices from his residence and more charges are possible pending forensic testing of those devices, a spokesperson for the sheriff's office says.

<https://nowhabersham.com/flowery-branch-man-arrested-for-uploading-child-porn-to-snapchat/>

Clarksburg man arrested for allegedly possessing child pornography

By WDTV News Staff
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A Clarksburg man was arrested after officers said he possessed videos of child pornography.

BRIDGEPORT, W.Va (WDTV) - A Clarksburg man was arrested after officers said he possessed videos of child pornography.

Jason Morris, 45, of Clarksburg, had videos depicting child pornography on a cloud storage service, according to a criminal complaint.

Officers said the phone number, email address, and sign in information associated with the cloud storage service belonged to Morris.

Morris has been charged with two counts of exhibiting materials with minors engaged in sexual explicit conduct and being held at North Central Regional Jail.

<https://www.wdtv.com/2022/02/03/clarksburg-man-arrested-allegedly-possessing-child-pornography/>

Musselman pleads not guilty to sexual exploitation, child porn charges

By: Gretchen Teske, Demetrios Sanders

Mar 15, 2022

TOULON, Ill. (WMBD) — Former Toulon Alderman Jason Musselman has entered a plea of not guilty in federal court.

Musselman is being charged with the sexual exploitation of minors and the production of child pornography. He has been ordered to be released on bond, but is on home detention with electronic home monitoring and a third-party custodian.

Musselman is facing both state and federal charges. Tuesday, the plea entered was for the seven offenses the federal government is accusing him of.

A pretrial conference is set for April 21 at 9:30 a.m.

Monday, Musselman resigned from his position on the Toulon City Council.

As previously reported, a probable cause affidavit showed Musselman could spend up to 30 years in federal prison for nine counts of possessing child porn. According to court documents, he produced sexually explicit photos and videos of minors between April 2010 and March 2013.

Documents revealed investigators identified eight adults pictured as minors in those images. All of those adults said Musselman invited 13 of them to use a tanning bed at his home in Toulon when they were minors. They were unaware he was recording or photographing them when they used his tanning bed.

Musselman was arrested on Jan. 19 on the charges following a search warrant executed at his home but posted a \$25,000 bond on Jan. 21 for the nine state-related charges.

<https://www.centralillinoisproud.com/news/local-news/musselman-pleads-not-guilty-to-sexual-exploitation-child-porn-charges/>

Man Arrested On Child Porn Charges: Somerset County Prosecutor

Officials arrested 33-year-old Jason O'Hare on child pornography charges, according to Acting Prosecutor Annmarie Taggart.

Michelle Rotuno-Johnson, Patch Staff
Jun 24, 2022

The prosecutor's office began investigating "an apparent upload of images of sexual exploitation or abuse of a child" when state detectives notified them, Taggart said. The investigation lead them to 33-year-old Jason O'Hare, Taggart said. (Somerset County Prosecutor's Office)

FAR HILLS, NJ — Officials arrested a Somerset County man on child pornography charges last month, according to Acting Prosecutor Annmarie Taggart.

The prosecutor's office began investigating "an apparent upload of images of sexual exploitation or abuse of a child" when state detectives notified them, Taggart said. The investigation lead them to 33-year-old Jason O'Hare in Far Hills, Taggart said.

Taggart said Far Hills police and Prosecutor's Office detectives conducted a search warrant on O'Hare's Lake Road residence on May 25. Investigators seized his electronics and found "numerous images depicting the sexual exploitation or abuse of a child," Taggart said.

Detectives arrested O'Hare without incident at the residence that day, Taggart said. O'Hare was charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography and third-degree possession of child pornography, according to Taggart.

Anyone with information about this investigation is asked to contact the Somerset County Prosecutors Office Special Investigations Unit/Computer Crimes Unit at (908) 231-7100 or the Far Hills Police Department at (908) 234-1192.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/baskingridge/man-arrested-child-porn-charges-somerset-county-prosecutor>

Police: Pike County Man Accused of Online Child Sex Crimes

Adam Kight

Feb 1, 2022

0A Petersburg, Indiana man was arrested on Monday morning after an investigation into accusations of child porn being shared through social media, according to the Indiana State Police.

ISP says 47-year-old Jason Potts of Petersburg was arrested on felony charges of Vicarious Sexual Gratification, Child Solicitation, and Possession of Child Pornography following an investigation conducted by ISP and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to state police, the investigation started in October of 2021 after a cyber tip about Potts sharing child pornography files through Facebook was received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

When a search warrant was served at Potts' home in Petersburg, an affidavit of probable cause filed in the Pike Circuit Court says that troopers discovered numerous media files that had been shared between Potts and female children under the age of 16, according to ISP.

The investigation revealed the alleged incidents occurred between October 2020 and January 2022, according to ISP. After reviewing the investigation, the Pike County Circuit Court issued a warrant for Potts' arrest.

After being arrested on Monday morning, Potts was booked into the Pike County Jail on a \$250,000 bond.

https://www.wevv.com/news/police-pike-county-man-accused-of-online-child-sex-crimes/article_76d7bb2e-82bb-11ec-841a-8704d252dbcf.html

Former Lt. Colonel turned leadership coach arrested for child porn in Nassau County, FDLE says

By Samantha Mathers, Action News Jax
May 12, 2022 at 12:26 pm EDT

NASSAU COUNTY, Fla. — A Nassau County motivational speaker is facing over a dozen charges for child pornography, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement announced Thursday.

FDLE said agents took Jason Thomas Roberts, 45, of Fernandina Beach, into custody on 13 counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

The investigation into Roberts began in January after agents report receiving multiple tips of file-sharing that depicted illegal and explicit content, FDLE says. Investigators discovered images and videos of children in sexual situations with adults and other children—two files were confirmed to include children identified by law enforcement in earlier investigations.

The Nassau County Sheriff's Office says Roberts is the owner of JTR Leadership Training. According to Roberts' website, he is a John Maxwell Certified Coach, Teacher, and Speaker, former Director of Operations for Cadence Aerospace, and Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Air Force.

Police say Roberts is also co-owner of Key Fitness Personal Training and a former Boy Scout leader.

Roberts was booked into the Nassau County Jail. The case will be prosecuted by the Office of the State Attorney, Fourth Judicial Circuit.

Police urge anyone with information about Roberts that could help in their investigation to contact FDLE agent Bill Bowes at (904) 360-7100.

<https://www.actionnewsjax.com/news/local/former-lt-colonel-turned-leadership-speaker-arrested-child-porn-nassau-county-fdle-says/3M5HN3NBSFFUVMUXMPJFWTBAQE/>

Scranton man arrested on child pornography charges

David Singleton, The Times-Tribune, Scranton, Pa.
9, 2022

September

Sep. 9—Lackawanna County detectives arrested a South Scranton man Friday on charges of possessing and disseminating child pornography.

Jason Scarnato, 38, 3012 Penman St., was held in the county prison on \$75,000 bail after his arraignment before Magisterial District Judge Terrence Gallagher on 262 child pornography-related counts.

His arrest followed an investigation that began when the district attorney's office received a report initially made through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Cyber Tip Line about suspected child pornography being uploaded through Yahoo beginning in March.

After reviewing the files, investigators eventually traced email accounts related to the uploads to the Penman Street address and an associated phone number to Scarnato, Detectives John Kane and Sheryl Turner said in the criminal complaint.

When investigators arrived at Scarnato's home Friday morning to serve a search warrant and explained the reason for it, Scarnato told detectives they didn't need to look at the phones of anyone else in the home, the complaint said.

Scarnato said he initially came across child pornography while visiting a website that, according to the complaint, is commonly used for trading child pornography.

He told detectives he originally went to the site to view images of cars but then found the illicit files of children and started saving them, the complaint said. He said he used Telegram, a messaging app, to trade the files.

Scarnato was charged with 186 counts of possession of child pornography, 73 counts of disseminating photos or films of child sex acts and three counts of criminal use of a communication facility.

His preliminary hearing is scheduled Sept. 19 at 11 a.m.

<https://sports.yahoo.com/scranton-man-arrested-child-pornography-035900720.html>

Colorado Springs Police arrest active duty soldier for child pornography

Posted at 12:55 PM, Mar 30, 2022

COLORADO SPRINGS — Colorado Springs Police arrested 25-year-old active-duty Army soldier Jay Stump on child pornography charges at the 1600 block of Chapel Hills Drive on Tuesday.

Stump was stationed at Fort Carson at the time of his arrest.

The arrest came about after the Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received information about the distribution of child pornography from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in August, 2021.

CSPD ICAC Detectives were able to identify and locate Stump with the help of the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Division.

Stump was booked into El Paso County Jail early Wednesday morning, and he is currently being held without bond.

CSPD ICAC executed an additional arrest on March 25 on charges of "transmitting obscene material to a child by computer." The arrest was made after a request for assistance from the Rainbow City Police Department in Alabama.

A Rainbow City PD Detective conducted an undercover chat with 26-year-old Thomas Miller, posing as a minor female. CSPD arrested Miller at the 200 block of South Murray Boulevard, and he's currently waiting extradition to Alabama.

<https://www.koaa.com/news/covering-colorado/colorado-springs-police-arrest-active-duty-soldier-for-child-pornography>

Ocala man arrested and charged with 19 counts of possession of child pornography

by Emilie Kyler Monday, July 11th 2022

An Ocala man has recently been arrested for possession of child pornography.

Ocala Police Department (OPD) Public Information Officer, Jeff Walczak, says they received a tip in May from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that 45-year-old, Matthew Schuster, had multiple files containing child pornography stored on his Google Photos account.

In June, detectives conducted a search warrant on the account and found the files containing child pornography, Walczak said.

Walczak says with their evidence, they had probable cause to search Schuster's residence.

On July 7th, Walczak says OPD's SWAT team conducted the search warrant.

After multiple announcements with no response, the SWAT team forced entry into the residence and were able to detain Schuster, Walczak said.

Walczak says during the interview, Schuster confirmed his email address and admitted to storing the child pornography on his account.

When detectives told Schuster they were going to look through other devices, he stated they would find the files on his cell phone, Walczak said.

Detectives located the cell phone, Walczak says and found many files of child pornography.

Walczak says Schuster was arrested and taken to the Marion County Jail, where he was charged with 19 counts of possession of child pornography.

<https://mycbs4.com/news/local/ocala-man-arrested-and-charged-with-19-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography>

Man arrested after storing child pornography on Google Photos account

By: Kaitlyn Snook

Sep 02, 2022

CHARLOTTE COUNTY, Fla. — Charlotte County Sheriff's Office arrested a man on three counts of child pornography today.

On August 18, an officer with CCSO received several Cyber-Tip Reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) reported by Google Inc. The reports contained 14 files believed to be explicit sexual content of children.

CCSO obtained a search warrant and Google Inc. provided the content of the accounts. A full investigation was conducted and it was determined that the accounts belonged to Jeffrey Fontenot.

Fontenot was storing several images and videos on his Google Photos account of sexual content with children as young as 6 years old.

Once located, Fontenot was placed under arrest. He is charged with one count of compiling or transmitting computer pornography involving a minor and two counts of possession of child pornography.

<https://www.fox4now.com/charlotte-county/man-arrested-after-storing-child-pornography-on-google-photos-account>

Former Utah legislator arrested in new child porn investigation

By Pat Reavy, KSL.com

Jan. 19, 2022

SALT LAKE CITY — A former Utah state lawmaker convicted in federal court of having child pornography has been arrested again and accused of a similar crime.

Jeffrey Vern Fox, 74, of Salt Lake City, was arrested Tuesday by the Internet Crimes Against Children task force and booked into the Salt Lake County Jail for investigation of eight counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.

The investigation began in July when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received reports that "multiple files of apparent child pornography were uploaded to one of their user accounts." Investigators then learned that at least one of the accounts was registered to Fox, according to a police booking affidavit.

"I also found that he is currently a registered sex offender who was convicted federally for possession of child pornography. In 2013, Fox was placed on federal probation for 15 years. In 2019, his probation was terminated early for completing the terms of his sentence," the affidavit states. Fox was also convicted in 2013 of federal marijuana charges.

As part of their new investigation, task force agents determined that Fox "was in possession of, and distributed the same types of files as in his previous conviction," according to the affidavit.

Fox was a longtime advocate for the homeless who served as director for both Utahns Against Hunger and the Crossroads Urban Center. He was also a state legislator for one term in the late 1970s through the early 1980s.

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50331137/former-utah-legislator-arrested-in-new-child-porn-investigation>

R.I. health department official arrested on child porn charges helped compile state's adolescent sexual health report

By Alexa Gagosz Globe Staff
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June 8,

Jeffrey Hill, a youth project director who was arrested on child pornography and child erotica charges this week, used the same email for personal and work purposes, Rhode Island State Police said, and had been among those to make recommendations to the state on how to improve sexual health and care access for minors

PROVIDENCE — The Rhode Island health department official who was arrested for child pornography charges this week had helped put together the state's first adolescent sexual health report, including recommendations on improving sexual health and care access for minors across the state, a Globe Rhode Island investigation has found.

Jeffrey Hill, 46, of South Kingstown, was arrested by the Rhode Island State Police on Monday night and was charged with one count each of possession of child pornography, a felony, and child erotica, which is considered a misdemeanor in Rhode Island. Hill was the state health department's health program administrator of the violence injury prevention program since fall of 2016 and youth suicide prevention coordinator for the state since February 2013. According to state payroll records, Hill earned \$92,518.92 in Fiscal Year 2022.

<https://www.bostonglobe.com/2022/06/08/metro/ri-health-department-official-arrested-child-porn-charges-helped-compile-states-adolescent-sexual-health-report/>

Dorchester County man arrested on child pornography charges

By Live 5 Web Staff

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (WCSC) - The South Carolina Attorney General's Office announced the arrest Wednesday of a Harleyville man on 10 charges connected with child sexual abuse material.

Jeffrey Lee Mizzell, 43, is charged with 10 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count, according to Attorney General spokesman Robert Kittle.

The Dorchester County Sheriff's Office and investigators with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested Mizzell on Thursday. His arrest came after investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that led them to him, Kittle said.

The Attorney General's Office will prosecute the case.

[live5news.com/2022/01/19/dorchester-county-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/](https://www.live5news.com/2022/01/19/dorchester-county-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/)

Man charged with multiple sex crimes against children

ARNOLDSVILLE – A GBI investigation into child pornography resulted in a man being charged for multiple sex crimes against children.

June 15, 2022

Release:

On Tuesday, June 7, 2022, Jeffrey Sean Todd, age 30, of Oglethorpe County, GA, was arrested on five counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material), one count Obscene Internet Contact with a Child, and one count Child Molestation by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit. The GBI CEACC Unit began an investigation into Todd's online activity after receiving a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the online possession of images depicting child sexual abuse material (CSAM). The investigation led to a search warrant at Todd's residence in Oglethorpe County, GA, and his subsequent arrest. The GBI was assisted in this case by the Oglethorpe County Sheriff's Office and the United States Secret Service.

Todd was taken to the Oglethorpe County Jail upon his arrest.

This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the child pornography trade. The ICAC Program, created by the U.S.

Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child sexual abuse material, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims.

Anyone with information about other cases of child exploitation is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870. Tips can also be submitted by calling 1-800-597-TIPS(8477), online at <https://gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online>, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

<https://valdostatoday.com/news-2/region/2022/06/man-charged-with-multiple-sex-crimes-against-children/>

Rural Marseilles Man Charged With Possessing Child Porn

WCSJ May 16, 2022
May 16, 2022

Updated

The LaSalle County Sheriff's Office, Illinois Attorney General's Office High Tech Crimes Bureau and Ottawa Police Department arrested a rural Marseilles man after a search warrant was executed in the 2700 block of East 2625th Road on May 12th.

The search warrant was executed due to a criminal investigation regarding Child Pornography. Police officials say 50-year-old Jeffrey Zweeres allegedly possessed child pornography at the aforementioned address.

He has been charged with two counts of Possession of Child Porn, both class two felonies. He remains in the LaSalle County Jail on a \$250,000 bond. Police said this is an ongoing investigation.

http://www.wcsjnews.com/news/local/rural-marseilles-man-charged-with-possessing-child-porn/article_01ff6170-d307-11ec-95e4-e311ec0577da.html

Immokalee man facing more than 100 child pornography charges

Writer Matthew Seaver

October 26, 2022

The Collier County Sheriff's Office has arrested an Immokalee man for several child pornography-related charges.

Detectives arrested Jeremiah Gutierrez, 24, following an investigation that began with tips provided by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. According to the arrest report, Gutierrez was arrested in a home that also had three children living in it.

The sheriff's office says their investigation and search of Gutierrez's home resulted in them finding 280 photos and videos of children engaged in sexual conduct on Gutierrez's phone. Detectives also confiscated several other media devices in his home that will be examined for additional illegal images.

According to the arrest report, the ages of the children in the images found on Gutierrez's Snapchat and Twitter accounts ranged from 5 to 16 years old.

Detectives say the investigation revealed a text conversation between Gutierrez and a teen boy whom detectives said Gutierrez enticed to send seven sexually explicit images and videos.

Gutierrez is facing 100 counts of possession of child pornography, six counts of transmitting child pornography, one count of promoting obscene material, and one count of computer use to seduce/solicit/lure a child.

The sheriff's office says they are still investigating this case.

<https://www.winknews.com/2022/10/26/immokalee-man-facing-more-than-100-child-pornography-charges/>

Tuckerton Man Charged With Possession of Child Pornography

August 5, 2022

Tuckerton, NJ (Ocean)-Ocean County Prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer announced that on August 4, 2022, Jeremy Bradley-Forman, 34, of Tuckerton, was charged with Possession of Child Pornography in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii).

This investigation was the result of referral from the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The Task Force detected that a Google Account user was downloading images of child pornography from the internet. An investigation by the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit identified a Google Account user with a Tuckerton address as the individual downloading the images of child pornography; that individual was further identified as Bradley-Forman.

On August 4, 2022, Detectives from the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit and Tuckerton Police Department executed a court-authorized search warrant on Bradley-Forman's residence in Tuckerton. As a result, Detectives seized a desktop computer with a hard-drive containing images of child pornography. Multiple additional electronic items were seized from Bradley-Forman's residence and are pending forensic examination. Bradley-Forman was subsequently taken into custody at his residence, processed at Tuckerton Police Department Headquarters, and transported to the Ocean County Jail where he is presently lodged pending a detention hearing.

Prosecutor Billhimer commends the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit, Tuckerton Police Department, United States Department of Homeland Security-Investigations Unit, and New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, for their collaborative assistance in connection with this investigation leading to Bradley-Forman's arrest.

The charges referenced above are merely accusations and the press and public are reminded that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law. R.P.C. 3.6(b)(6).

<https://midjersey.news/2022/08/05/tuckerton-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Burlington man arrested, child porn possession

By FOX6 News Digital Team
May 26, 2022

Crime and Public Safety FOX6 News Milwaukee

BURLINGTON, Wis. - A 31-year-old Burlington man has been charged with 12 counts of child porn possession, police said Thursday, May 26.

Jeremy Cecil was taken into custody on Tuesday, May 24 after a search warrant was presented at his residence. The search led to the discovery of "multiple" child pornography images and videos.

The Burlington Police Department said it is committed to working in partnership with organizations such as the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to assist in ensuring the safety of its residents.

Cecil made an initial court appearance on May 25, and a judge set cash bond at \$25,000. He is due back in court on June 2.

<https://www.fox6now.com/news/burlington-man-arrested-child-porn-possession>

PRESS RELEASE
September 16, 2022

Friday,

Sioux Falls Man Sentenced for Production of Child Pornography

For Immediate Release
U.S. Attorney's Office, District of South Dakota

United States Attorney Alison J. Ramsdell announced that a Sioux Falls, South Dakota, man convicted of Production of Child Pornography was sentenced on September 12, 2022, by U.S. District Judge Karen E. Schreier.

Jeremy James Konda, age 49, was sentenced to 15 years in federal prison, followed by five years of supervised release, and ordered to pay a special assessment to the Federal Crime Victims Fund in the amount of \$100.

Konda was indicted by a federal grand jury in September of 2021. He pleaded guilty on July 5, 2022.

The conviction stemmed from incidents between May 27, 2020, and July 26, 2020, when Konda used a hidden camera placed in his bathroom to record videos of a minor female while she was using the toilet and the shower. The minor female was living there at the time.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit <https://www.justice.gov/psc>.

This case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigation, the South Dakota Division of Criminal Investigation, and the Minnehaha County Sheriff's Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey C. Clapper prosecuted the case. Konda was immediately remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sd/pr/sioux-falls-man-sentenced-production-child-pornography>

Boynton Beach Man Arrested For Possession Of More Than 600 Images Of Child Porn

Updated: May 25, 2022
April 28, 2022

Jermaine Bueford Of Boynton Beach Arrested For Child Pornography

BOYNTON BEACH, FL – Boca Post (BocaPost.com) — A Boynton Beach man is in jail tonight after being caught with more than 600 images of child pornography.

Boynton Beach Police Department has told Boca Post that they arrested Jermaine Bueford, 35, of Venetian Terrace in Boynton Beach. ACyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's Internet Crimes Against Children database led to the arrest of the 35-year-old who was in possession of more than 600 images of child pornographic images and child erotica.

According to a police report submitted by Boca Raton Police Department, BBPD received the CyberTip on April 5th, 2022 which flagged 8 images uploaded to a Google account owned by "Kadari Bueford". The images are known to be part of a series of materials known by law enforcement.

A quick background check on the AT&T phone number and Google e-mail address led detectives to Jermaine Omar Bueford. Detectives confirmed IP address information with the internet service provider as well.

Today, detectives served a search warrant at Bueford's residence at 2121 W. Woolbright Road located in the Venetian Terrace neighborhood in Boynton Beach, FL.

Bueford told police that it all makes sense because he received a notification from Google about a month ago that his account was flagged for illegal material. Bueford told police that he could not reach anyone at Google about it when he called and that he never followed up. Bueford told police he figured it was the from the child pornography images that he received in a Google chat not long ago.

Bueford told Police that he was part of a Google chat group that would share pornographic images. Bueford said he was not expecting to see any child pornography and did not intend on seeing any.

Detectives then searched the house and Bueford gave them all of the passcodes to all of his electronic devices. What Bueford didn't expect, however, was for detectives to seize the silver hard drive he had locked in his safe. Police left with all of the electronic devices.

An initial forensic examination of the collected electronics revealed 600 child pornography and erotica images of young boys aged 7 – 14 years old. On the hard drive, 173 images/videos labeled "nephews", 671 images/videos labeled "Sinclair", and 112 images/videos labeled "invite 123321".

According to Bueford's LinkedIn profile, he is an Account Executive at The Palm Beaches, known as the "official tourism marketing corporation that promotes the collection of 39 cities and towns and 15 tourism districts, commonly referred to as The Palm Beaches, Florida".

BBPD called Bueford to come to pick up his electronics from the police station. When Bueford showed up, he was arrested. Bueford is currently in PBSO custody facing the following charges:

- 20 counts of "possession of 10 or more images of child pornography"
- 2 counts of "possess, control or intentionally view a sexual performance by a child"

<https://bocapost.com/arrests/boynton-beach-arrests/boynton-beach-man-arrested-for-possession-of-more-than-600-images-of-child-porn/>

Sierra Vista man arrested, accused of sexual exploitation of a minor

By KOLD News 13 Staff

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SIERRA VISTA, Ariz. (KOLD News 13) - A Sierra Vista man is facing several counts of sexual exploitation of a minor after his arrest on Wednesday, Oct. 12.

The Sierra Vista Police Department arrested Jerome Pangilinan, 22, while they were serving search warrant at a residence in the 500 block of Coronado Drive.

Pangilinan was booked into the Cochise County Jail on five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor. He is being held on a \$500,000 bond.

Police received a tip from the Arizona Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force August that identified at least one email address, phone numbers, and online storage accounts associated with Pangilinan. An electronic service provider reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a storage account used by Pangilinan allegedly contained child sexual abuse material.

Anyone with information relevant to this type of case is asked to contact SVPD Detective Thomas P. Ransford at (520) 452-7500.

<https://www.kold.com/2022/10/13/sierra-vista-man-arrested-accused-sexual-exploitation-minor/>

A custodian at Whitnall High School was arrested and charged with possession of child pornography

Bob Dohr Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
10, 2022

May

A Whitnall High School custodian is facing 18 child pornography-related charges.

Jerome Slack, 39, of West Allis, was charged Monday in Milwaukee County Circuit Court with nine counts of child sexual exploitation and nine counts of possession of child pornography, all felonies.

The child sexual exploitation charges each carry a maximum penalty of 40 years in prison. The possession of child pornography charges each carry a maximum penalty of 25 years in prison.

Slack worked second shift at the high school, according to a May 6 letter sent by the Whitnall School District to district families and staff members. He was not present during regular school hours and was not in buildings serving the district's youngest students.

He joined the custodial staff in February 2021 and was not provided with a district device, school officials said.

According to a criminal complaint, West Allis police began their investigation after receiving an online tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Slack used Snapchat and the Kik messaging app to share several sexually explicit videos of children, the complaint said.

The crimes occurred from on or about July 4, 2021, through May 6, 2022, according to the complaint.

Authorities do not believe any Whitnall students were involved in the alleged conduct and believe the alleged conduct occurred outside of work hours, the district said in its letter.

"No one at Whitnall was aware of this conduct until the charges were made," the letter said. "And nothing from the hiring process could have prepared us for this outcome.

This individual had a clean background check and positive references at the time of hiring."

Whitnall officials did not immediately respond to a question about Slack's employment status with the district.

The Whitnall School District serves the village of Hales Corners, the city of Franklin and the city of Greenfield.

It has about 500 employees and a yearly student population of around 2,500, according to the district website.

Cash bond was set at \$15,000 during Slack's initial court appearance Monday, according to online court records.

A preliminary hearing has been scheduled for May 19.

<https://www.jsonline.com/story/communities/southwest/news/greenfield/2022/05/10/whitnall-high-school-custodian-facing-child-porn-charges/9717597002/>

Kenosha man accused of possessing child pornography

Daniel Gaitan Oct 27, 2022

A 51-year-old Kenosha man faces felony charges for allegedly possessing a large amount of child pornography.

Jeremy K. Combs was charged Thursday in Kenosha County Circuit with 10 counts of possession of child pornography. He made his initial appearance at Intake Court Thursday afternoon where Court Commissioner Loren Keating set a \$30,000 cash bond.

Each count is a Class D felony and carries a possible fine of up to \$100,000 and 25 years in prison. He is set to appear in court again on Nov. 4.

A Kenosha Police detective received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children stating that a user in Kenosha had shared and/or possessed many images of child sexual abuse, according to the criminal complaint.

The CyberTip was linked to email that had shared child sexual abuse imagery and contained an IP address and information linked to Combs, according to the complaint.

Based on the information provided in the CyberTip, the detective obtained a subpoena from an internet provider regarding the IP address in question. The billing party was reportedly listed as a resident with a service address in the 6500 block 32nd of Avenue.

On Tuesday, the detective drafted a search warrant for the residence and a vehicle observed during surveillance. On Wednesday, Kenosha Police officers executed the warrant and initiated a traffic stop of Combs, who reportedly admitted to using the email in question.

Once the residence was cleared, a detective searched the residence with the assistance of an electronic detecting K-9 unit. The dog, according to the complaint, alerted officers to a laptop on the floor of the room believed to be that of Combs. The dog also pointed out a cell phone that was on a nightstand in the same room.

Multiple images and videos containing child pornography were reportedly found on DVDs located in the bedroom.

The detective also found images of child pornography found on Combs's phone, according to the complaint.

https://www.kenoshanews.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/kenosha-man-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/article_5636abde-5630-11ed-8f15-8389bd0ac214.html

Crawford County man arrested on child pornography charges

By: Justin Holbrock
Jun 23, 2022

Posted:

BUCYRUS, Ohio (WCMH) — A 39-year-old man was arrested Thursday by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office on charges related to the possession of explicit images of juveniles.

Criminal charges are pending against Jerry Bailey for possession of child pornography. Deputies seized multiple electronic devices and drug paraphernalia at Bailey's residence in St. Crestline.

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Crestline Police Department.

This case is still being investigated by the detectives from the sheriff's office.

<https://www.nbc4i.com/news/local-news/crawford-county-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-possession/>

Man charged on child porn counts; failed to register as sex offender

By Houston Herald Staff
April 25th, 2022

A Cabool man is charged with failing to register as a sex offender and two counts of possession of child pornography.

Jerry R. Ludvick, 32, was arrested Friday in the 12000 block of Business U.S. 60, according to a press release from the South Central Missouri Computer Crime Task Force.

He is held on \$600,000 bond in the Texas County Jail. He was charged Saturday.

The investigation was initiated as a result of several Cyber Tipline Reports by multiple internet service providers after suspected child pornography was uploaded and distributed to other private users of the services. During the investigation and through legal process, Ludvick was identified as a suspect, the task force said.

The task force said on Friday night Ludvick was interviewed and admitted to the knowledge, control and ownership of the account(s) from the Cyber Tipline Reports. In addition, a search of a device revealed evidence which supports charges, it said.

The task force was assisted by the Texas County Sheriff's Department.

Records show Ludvick was charged in 2017 for living within a 1,000 of an education facility as a prior offender. He received a three-year state prison sentence in August 2017.

<https://houstonherald.com/2022/04/man-charged-on-child-porn-counts-failed-to-register-as-sex-offender/>

Urbandale man faces child-porn charges

By The Perry News October 13, 2022

An Urbandale man was arrested on a Dallas County warrant Thursday on charges of child pornography.

Jesse Vernon McLearn-Montz, 24, of 4430 142nd St., Urbandale, was charged with five counts of first-offense purchase/possess depiction of a minor in a sex act.

According to court records, officers of the Urbandale Police Department executed a search warrant Sept. 16 at McLearn-Montz's residence.

The search allegedly disclosed "over 70 pictures and 50 videos depicting child pornography" saved on a USB drive and "hundreds of photos of child erotica located on external hard drives," according to court records.

McLearn-Montz is held in the Dallas County Jail on a \$10,000 cash or surety bond. He is scheduled for a preliminary hearing Oct. 24 in Dallas County District Court.

*A criminal charge is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

<https://theperrynews.com/urbandale-man-faces-child-porn-charges/>

Rockford man arrested on several child pornography charges after months-long investigation

13 WREX Newsroom
Jul 20, 2022

ROCKFORD (WREX) — A Rockford man was arrested Wednesday on several child pornography charges after a months-long investigation by local and state law enforcement and task forces.

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https://www.wrex.com/news/crime/rockford-man-arrested-on-several-child-pornography-charges-after-months-long-investigation/article_af04d150-0879-11ed-8567-db9fd926d42c.html

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Man sentenced on molest charge

By MATT GETTS

Feb 11, 2022

ALBION — A Fort Wayne man was sentenced Monday in Noble Circuit Court to nine years in prison for molesting a young girl in 2020 while he resided in the Kendallville area and an additional two years of incarceration on child pornography charges.

Joel Cornelius, 70, of the 9100 block of Mariners Ridge Drive, was booked into the Noble County Jail following sentencing.

Judge Michael Kramer sentenced Cornelius to nine years in the Indiana Department of Corrections on charges of child molesting-fondling, a Level 4 felony; and nine years for child exploitation, a Level 4 felony.

Kramer ordered those two sentences to be served at the same time.

He further sentenced Cornelius to four years in the Indiana Department of Correction on a count of possession of child pornography, a Level 5 felony; and two years on a count of possession of child pornography, a Level 6 felony. He ordered those sentences to be served at the same time, with two years suspended to be served on probation.

Kramer ordered the pornography sentence to be served consecutively with the molest and exploitation sentences, meaning Cornelius will have to serve 11 years.

A social worker with the East Noble School Corp. contacted police on April 15, 2021, to report an incident of child molestation and child pornography. The child told a friend about the incident, and the friend notified the social worker

According to court documents filed in the case, Cornelius had admitted to Kendallville Police Department Detective Sgt. Angela Handshoe during the investigation that he pushed aside the shorts of a girl who pretended to be sleeping so he could take pictures of her vagina in the spring of 2020 at his Kendallville home. The girl was under the age of 11 at the time of the incident.

In his interview with police, Cornelius denied touching her, as the victim had alleged. The victim had told police that Cornelius had “brushed” her vagina with his hand as he was moving aside her shorts.

He did admit to pleasuring himself in front of the girl in his home's bathroom two or three times and that he had had the girl rub lotion on his sex organ on at least once occasion.

A separate investigation initiated by the Indiana State Police led to Cornelius being charged with possession of child pornography as a Level 5 felon; and possession of child pornography, a Level 6 felony.

On April 3, 2020, Facebook reported to the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children two uploaded images of apparent child pornography. The account linked to the images was identified by Facebook as belonging to Cornelius.

Cornelius had allegedly messaged the images to someone.

The Indiana State Police had submitted a signed search warrant to Facebook on June 8, 2020. The search warrant was returned on July 10. Investigators with the ISP found four images containing child sex material.

The sex crimes were charged on Aug. 17, 2021. A warrant was issued for Cornelius arrest the next day, and he was arrested on Sept. 8, 2021. At an initial hearing on Sept. 9, bond was set at \$10,000. He posted bond that day.

On Jan. 3, a change of plea hearing was held in which Cornelius pleaded guilty before Monday's sentencing.

https://www.kpcnews.com/newssun/article_71ed3e5f-e040-56ec-8412-51897f21b3ec.html

Man accused of possessing child pornography in Orlando, police say

By Neisha Molina
April 26, 2022

Published

Joevanni James Faniel [Credit: Orange County Jail]

ORLANDO, Fla. - The Orlando Police Department says its Special Victims Unit has arrested a man, accused of possessing child pornography.

Officers said after an investigation into a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, they arrested and charged Joevanni James Faniel, 28, with 10 counts of material depicting the sexual performance of a child, transmission of child pornography, and unlawful use of a two-way of communications device.

Faniel was booked into Orange County Jail on a \$2,000 bond.

<https://www.fox35orlando.com/news/man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography-in-orlando-police-say>

Dumont Dad Arrested On Child Porn Charges

Jerry DeMarco 02/11/2022

A married dad from Dumont was arrested Friday on child porn charges.

John Bucci, a 39-year-old service account manager, was taken into custody during a raid on his home, Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella said.

Detectives from Musella's Cyber Crimes Unit accused Bucci of using the Internet to "view, download, possess and distribute digital files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent children," the prosecutor said.

He remained held Friday in the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack on separate child porn possession and distribution charges, records show.

Musella thanked Dumont police for their assistance, as well as police from Lyndhurst and Saddle Brook and members of the Bergen County Sheriff's Office who all participate in the county Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/bergenfield/news/dumont-dad-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/825912/>

Rogers man accused of possessing child pornography

By Tracy Neal
April 21, 2022

BENTONVILLE -- A Rogers man was arrested Monday in connection with possessing child pornography.

John Richard Dixon, 45, was released Tuesday on \$100,000 bond from the Benton County Jail. He was arrested in connection with 45 counts of distributing, possessing or viewing matter depicting sexual conduct involving a child. Prosecutors haven't filed any formal charges against him.

Rogers police started investigating Jan. 3 after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children concerning a tip from Dropbox Inc. a user uploaded two video files containing apparent child sexual abuse material, according to a probable cause affidavit.

Brian Hanna, a Rogers police detective, reviewed the videos, which he believed depicted children engaged in sexual conduct, according to the affidavit.

Police obtained a search warrant for the Dropbox account and found more than 40 files with child sexual abuse material, according to the affidavit. Hanna found most of the media depicted children younger than 10 years old, according to the affidavit.

Police obtained the internet protocol address, which led them to Dixon's home. After a search police seized several electronic devices and memory storage devices, the affidavit states. Police found a video and more than 50 thumbnail images containing child sexual abuse material, according to the affidavit.

Dixon's arraignment is scheduled for May 23 in Benton County Circuit Judge Brad Karren's courtroom.

<https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2022/apr/21/rogers-man-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/>

47-YEAR-OLD OSCEOLA MAN CHARGED WITH 10 COUNTS OF POSSESSION OF PHOTOS, VIDEOS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Apr 8, 2022 | News, Osceola News

Osceola Deputies have arrested a man who they say was chatting online, hoping to have sexual intercourse with children and possessing thousands of videos depicting children being sexually abused.

On April 06 the Osceola County ICAC Unit was able to apprehend 47-year-old John Draper IV on Wednesday after previously receiving a Cyber Tip from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) saying he he had numerous files of child abuse material and videos in his possession.

Draper was interviewed by deputies and admitted to possessing child pornography, however denied sexually abusing any children.

Mr. Draper was charged with 10 counts of Possession of Photo/Video of Sexual Performance by a Child. And was arrested and booked into the Osceola County Jail with no bond.

<https://www.positivelyosceola.com/47-year-old-osceola-man-charged-with-10-counts-of-possession-of-photos-videos-of-child-pornography/>

Savona sex offender arrested for possessing child porn last fall

By: Carl Aldinger
Mar 10, 2022

SAVONA, N.Y. (WETM) – A Savona registered sex offender has been arrested for allegedly receiving and distributing child pornography as well as possessing a weapon last fall, according to police. He was previously convicted of multiple child sex abuse crimes taking place over 20 years ago.

John Fadden, 48, was arrested on March 9 by New York State Police in Savona. According to police, the arrest was in connection to an incident reported on October 26, 2021 in which Fadden allegedly received and disseminated child porn.

Fadden was charged with Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child under 17, Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child and Criminal Possession of a Weapon with a previous conviction, all felony charges. He was taken to the Steuben County Jail.

Fadden is a registered sex offender for three separate incidents taking place between 1991 and 2001, according to the NYS Sex Offender Registry. In 1991, Fadden engaged in sexual contact with a 2-year-old boy in Rochester. In 1993, he was convicted of sexually abusing a 9-year-old girl in Rochester. And in 2001 he was convicted of coercing another 9-year-old girl known to him into having sexual contact.

<https://www.mytwintiers.com/crime/savona-sex-offender-arrested-for-possessing-child-porn-last-fall/>

Police: Over 100 images, videos of child porn seized from Gaston County man

By: Mike Andrews

Feb 22, 2022

MOUNT HOLLY, N.C. (QUEEN CITY NEWS) – A 35-year-old man is facing multiple charges after investigators found over 100 images and videos of child pornography, according to the Gaston County Police Department.

Police said investigators received a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Investigators served a search warrant on John William Flowers's electronic devices and found and child pornography.

Police said Flowers was already in jail for a probation violation. He was served with charges of six felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a child and six felony counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a child.

Authorities said Flowers had previously been charged with six felonies related to the possession of child pornography after a different cybertip.

Gaston County Police said the investigation into Flowers is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to call Det. R.L. Smith at 704-866-3320 or Crimestoppers at 704-861-8000.

<https://www.fox46.com/crime-and-public-safety/police-over-100-images-videos-of-child-porn-seized-from-gaston-county-man/>

Cobb County man arrested for bestiality, posting child porn to Snapchat

By FOX 5 Atlanta Digital Team
September 22, 2022

COBB COUNTY, Ga. - Investigators say 41-year-old Cobb County man was arrested for sharing graphic sexual images of children with animals.

John Fordham was charged with bestiality, sexual exploitation of a child, and distribution of child pornography.

According to a warrant, the investigators came across the Snapchat account in January. The email and phone number associated with that account led investigators to Fordham.

The warrant states the images shared on the account depicted underage girls engaged in sexual acts with dogs. During a search of his Marietta Crossing apartment, investigators say they found those images on his hard drive.

The warrant also states there were at least four videos found on a flash drive showing Fordham engaging in sexual activity with a dog.

Fordham was booked into the Cobb County Adult Detention Center.

<https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/john-fordham-bestiality-sexual-exploitation-of-a-child-arrest-cobb-county>

Starkville Police Arrest 20-Year-Old For Distributing Child Pornography

APRIL 29, 2022

On Friday, April 29, 2022, the Starkville Police Department arrested John Kilpatrick, 20, for two counts of distribution of child sexual abuse material.

The charges stem from several incidents between December 2021 to April 2022.

More arrests are expected, according to Starkville PD's Press Release.

<https://darkhorsepressnow.com/12481-2/>

Ozark man arrested on child porn charges

By: Seth Feiner

May 5, 2022

OZARK, Ala. (WDHN) — An Ozark man has been arrested on child pornography charges.

John Mitchell, 52, was arrested on Wednesday afternoon after officials with the Crimes Against Children Task Force got a cyber tip, according to the Dale County Sheriff's Office.

Officials then used a search warrant to investigate Mitchell's home where the DCSO says they found images showing child pornography.

Mitchell was then arrested and charged with two counts of possession of child pornography.

The DCSO says that Mitchell will likely be facing more charges once the full forensic investigation on his devices is finished.

Mitchell is currently in the Dale County Jail with no bond set.

<https://www.wdhn.com/news/crime/ozark-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/>

Police: Warrant leads to 'depraved and sickening' child porn case, man's arrest

By Jared Goffinet, Courtney King and Andrew McMunn
Aug. 2, 2022

CLINTON COUNTY, Ohio (WXIX/Gray News) - A tip and a search warrant led to the arrest of a man in Ohio in what a police chief called one of the most "sickening cases" of child pornography.

John Potter, 66, is charged with pandering obscenity involving a minor, according to Wilmington Police Chief Ron Fithen.

Officers with the police department served a search warrant at Potter's home after getting info from a national task force that someone there was receiving and distributing child porn, the chief told WXIX.

Once officers arrived at the home, Fithen said the Wilmington Building and Zoning Department was called to assist because living conditions in the home were "one of the worst they have ever seen."

The chief said there was raw sewage in the basement.

"This is one of the most depraved and sickening cases our agency has investigated," Fithen said. "Our detectives have additional investigation to conduct on several pieces of digital evidence that were seized as the result of the search warrant, and we expect additional charges to be filed."

A Clinton County judge released Potter on his own recognizance, the police chief said baffled by the decision.

"And the judge made his own personal decision to go and do his own recognizance bond, which you know, we're kind of flabbergasted about that," Fithen said.

Potter is due back in court next week.

<https://www.live5news.com/2022/08/02/police-warrant-leads-depraved-sickening-child-porn-case-mans-arrest/>

Columbia man arrested on child pornography charges

by Briasia Russ

Friday, September 23rd 2022

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WACH) — A Columbia man has been arrested on child pornography charges, according to the Richland County Sheriff's Department.

RCSD says John Shull is charged with sexual exploitation of a minor - 1st degree (eight counts), and sexual exploitation of a minor - 2nd Degree (two counts).

On Wednesday, Sept. 21, investigators executed a search warrant inside John Shull's home.

Investigators discovered that Shull allegedly used a cell phone to watch sexually explicit videos and photos of children.

Shull is also accused of ordering DVD videos depicting children.

He is being housed at the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center.

<https://wach.com/news/local/columbia-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-john-shull>

CLOSTER, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTION AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

For Immediate Release:

July 25, 2022

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of JOHN S. SOH (DOB: 3/25/1996; single; student) of 32 Brodil Court, Closter, NJ on charges of distribution and possession of child pornography. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Friday, July 22, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of JOHN S. SOH during the course of a months-long Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that SOH used the Internet to view, download, possess, and distribute items depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, JOHN S. SOH was arrested on Friday, July 22, 2022 in Paramus, NJ and charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(a)(i); and third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii). SOH was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Closter Police Department for its assistance, as well as the Englewood and Lyndhurst Police Departments which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.bcpo.net/closter-nj-man-charged-with-distribution-and-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Operation 'I See You': 4 Randolph County men charged with child sex crimes after multi-agency investigation

By: Emily Mikkelsen

May 13, 2022

RANDOLPH COUNTY, N.C. (WGHP) — A recent arrest related to a Randolph County sex crimes investigation brings the total number of men charged up to four.

On April 13 and 14, Randolph County Sheriff's Office participated in a multi-agency operation that they called Operation "I See You," focusing on child pornography-related cyber-tips.

The joint operation included a combination of different officials from Randolph County Sheriff's Office and dozens of other agencies like Homeland Security, other local sheriff's departments and the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, the sheriff's office says.

The operation worked to analyze over 100 cyber tips and teams effectively closed 78 cyber tips. Four child/juvenile victims were identified during this operation.

Four people have been arrested and charged in Randolph County as a result of this investigation. Three were arrested shortly after the conclusion of the operation in mid-April, while a fourth suspect was arrested on Thursday.

Gerardo Jaimes Sandoval, 26, was charged with ten counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor. He was given a \$120,000 bond.

Adam Joseph Albertson, 23, was charged with ten counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor for distributing material. He was given a \$130,000 bond.

Jordan Ali Abukhalaf, 26, was charged with ten counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor. He was given a \$25,000 bond.

John Willis Stanfield was arrested on Thursday and charged with six counts of second-degree felony sexual exploitation of a minor and given a \$100,000 bond.

The investigation is ongoing and more charges could be possible.

<https://myfox8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/operation-i-see-you-4-randolph-county-men-charged-with-child-sex-crimes-after-multi-agency-investigation/>

Georgia: Fort Valley man arrested in child pornography case

By: Jolyn Hannah
Feb 10, 2022

ORT VALLEY, Ga. (WRBL) – A Georgia man has been arrested in connection to a child pornography case.

According to a news release from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, John Martin Wells, 21, was charged with one count of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Possession of Child Pornography).

The investigation into Wells, of Fort Valley, began on Feb. 3, 2022, when the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit received a cyber tip from National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) about someone being in possession of child pornography in Peach County.

According officials the investigation lead to Wells. A search warrant was executed at his Fort Valley home.

Wells was arrested and booked into the Peach County Jail.

This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the child pornography trade.

Anyone with information about these cases, or other cases of child exploitation, is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870. Tips can also be submitted online or by calling 1-800-597-TIPS(8477).

[https://www.wrbl.com/news/crime/georgia-fort-valley-man-arrested-in-child-pornography-case/#:~:text=FORT%20VALLEY%2C%20Ga.,\(Possession%20of%20Child%20Pornography\)](https://www.wrbl.com/news/crime/georgia-fort-valley-man-arrested-in-child-pornography-case/#:~:text=FORT%20VALLEY%2C%20Ga.,(Possession%20of%20Child%20Pornography))

Attorney general's office charges Easton man with child porn possession

By Kurt Bresswein | For lehighvalleylive.com
2022, 3:14 p.m.

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An Easton man was ordered held in Northampton County Prison this week as part of a Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office investigation into child pornography, according to court records.

John Wheeler, 23, of the 100 block of North 13th Street, was charged Wednesday following the probe into a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about 264 sexually explicit child porn files uploaded to a cloud storage account, court records say.

Investigators using internet log-in information from a cellular service provider linked Wheeler to the uploads and served a warrant about 6:42 a.m. Wednesday at his home, according to the affidavit of probable cause.

Wheeler admitted to logging into the cloud storage account that was the focus of the CyberTip in March "to try and delete some of the child pornography that he knew was in the account," investigators wrote; at that time, "his phone automatically uploaded child pornography images/videos to his account"

Wheeler also admitted to using child pornography, according to the court records.

A special agent with Attorney General Josh Shapiro's office viewed at least 20 files allegedly in Wheeler's possession on or before March 22 and says they are believed to be child porn in violation of state law on sexual abuse of children.

Wheeler was arraigned Wednesday afternoon before District Judge Richard Yetter III on 20 felony counts of possession of child pornography, in addition to a felony count of criminal use of a communication facility.

Wheeler was sent to the prison in lieu of 10% of \$65,000 bail. A preliminary hearing is tentatively scheduled Aug. 29 before Yetter to determine if there is sufficient evidence to send the charges toward trial in county court.

Court records did not immediately list an attorney for Wheeler.

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/easton/2022/08/attorney-generals-office-charges-easton-man-with-child-porn-possession.html>

Randolph County: Fourth arrest made in child sex abuse investigation

May 13, 2022

RANDOLPH COUNTY, N.C. —

The Randolph County Sheriff's Office has arrested a fourth man following an investigation that focused on child pornography cybertips.

On May 12, deputies arrested John Willis Stanfield, 39 during this investigation. He was issued a \$100,000 bond.

Stanfield was charged with six counts felony second degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

In April, Gerardo Jaimes Sandoval, 26, Adam Albertson, 23 and Jordan Ali Abukhalaf, 26, were all arrested and now face multiple counts of sexual exploitation of minors.

According to a news release, the sheriff's office, along with several other state and federal law enforcement agencies, were a part of an investigation of over a hundred online tips regarding child pornography in the area.

Authorities spent April 13 and 14 determining the validity of the tips, conducting interviews and analyzing evidence, officials said.

<https://www.wxii12.com/article/3-men-arrested-in-randolph-county-child-sex-abuse/39803833>

Laclede County man charged with six counts of possessing child pornography

Leslie Taylor Aug 19, 2022

A Laclede County man is facing numerous charges related to child pornography.

Johnathan Lackey, 22, of Lebanon, was charged Thursday with six counts of possession of child pornography. The incidents date from May of this year through August.

According to court records, the Lebanon Police Department was contacted by the Lake Area Cyber Crimes Task Force earlier this month about Lackey uploading apparent child pornography into a Dropbox account.

After searching through Lackey's electronics, investigators found images and videos of minors engaging in sex acts with adults and each other. Detectives also found electronic evidence through Whisper that Lackey had been talking to other users about wanting to have sex with his girlfriend's minor relative. Evidence was also found of him purchasing more than 600 images of child porn.

http://www.kjluradio.com/newsroom/laclede-county-man-charged-with-six-counts-of-possessing-child-pornography/article_802a6c4e-1fdc-11ed-b7ca-4bf2e5276e29.html

Valet At The Boca Raton Resort Arrested For Possession Of Child Pornography

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Jonathan Schrift Charged With 25 Counts Of Possession Of Child Pornography. Schrift Worked Full Time For SP PLUS As A Valet At The Boca Raton.

BOCA RATON, FL – Boca Post (BocaPost.com) — A man who reportedly lives at Boca Raton’s Boca Inn was arrested on 25 counts of possession of child pornography, according to jail records released to Boca Post by the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office.

Jonathan Schrift, 38, who reportedly lives at Boca Raton’s Boca Inn located at 1801 N. Federal Highway in Boca Raton, has been arrested Friday afternoon by the Lantana Police Department. Boca Post has been notified that Schrift has been charged with 25 counts of “827.071(5) POSSESSION OF SEXUAL PERFORMANCE BY A CHILD”.

Schrift was booked into the Palm Beach County Jail at 3:21 on Friday afternoon where he remains today with a bond set at \$75,000.

Note, according to Schrift’s arrest paperwork, “1801 N FEDERAL HWY 117, BOCA RATON, FL 33432” is listed as his residence. That is the address of the “Boca Inn” in East Boca.

Police say that Schrift worked as a valet person at the Boca Raton Resort located at 501 E Camino Real in Boca Raton, FL.

Lantana Police Department tells Boca Post that Schrift’s arrest was the result of a 6-month investigation that originated from an NCMEC (National Center for Missing and Exploited Children) Cyber Tip.

Lantana Police provided Boca Post with the following statement:

This case is the result of an approximately 6-month-long investigation by Det Gibson of the Lantana Police Departments Detective Bureau after a CYBERTIP was received by NCMEC (National Center for Missing and Exploited Children) which resulted in the arrest of W/M Jonathan Schrift (DOB 12/14/1983) who was residing within the

jurisdiction of the Lantana Police Dept, however, moved during the course of the investigation to the Boca Inn located at 1801 N Federal Hwy Room 117 Boca Raton, FL 33462. Schrift was found to be in possession of hundreds of images and videos depicting Child Pornography. Although Schrift has been arrested this case remains ongoing at this time.

The following is the narrative of the official arrest affidavit submitted by the Lantana Police Department:

1. On January 24, 2022, Your Affiant was assigned NCMEC CYBERTIP# 109226192 via the ICAC PORTAL. Your Affiant then reviewed the details of the CYBERTIP which advised the reporting electronic service provider (ESP) was YAHOO (Oath Holdings Inc) "herein referred to as YAHOO". YAHOO reported the incident type was Child Pornography (possession, manufacture, distribution). YAHOO reported that the incident time was 11~30-2021 12:07:34 UTC which is the date and time when YAHOO submitted the CYBERTIP to NCMEC.

2. CyberTips are investigative leads generated by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). NCMEC is a non-profit organization that provides services nationwide for families and professionals in the prevention of abducted, endangered and sexually exploited children. Pursuant to its mission and its congressional authorization (former 42 USC § 5773, now 34 USC § 11293)) NCMEC operates the CyberTip line and Child Victim Identification Programs to assist law enforcement in identifying victims of child pornography and child sexual exploitation. NCMEC works with law enforcement, Internet Service Providers, electronic payment service providers, and others to reduce the distribution of child sexual exploitation images and videos over the Internet. NCMEC forwards reports of child sexual exploitation to law enforcement for the purposes of investigation and disposition.

3. Under 18 U.S.C. § 2258a (2008), any electronic communication service provider that obtains actual knowledge of any facts or circumstances from which a violation of federal child pornography laws is apparent must report the facts and circumstances to the Cyber Tip Line at NCMEC. NCMEC then forwards the reported information to both state and federal law enforcement officials. 18 U.S.C. § 2258c. An internet service provider that fails to report such facts is subject to significant fines. 18 U.S.C. § 2258e.

4. Your Affiant and the South Florida ICAC have received many Cyber Tips while assigned to the task force, and although not every tip resulted in an arrest, the information contained within the tips was found to be accurate and reliable. In *Woldridge v. State*, 958 So.2d 455 (2d DCA 2007), the court held that an ISP acting in

compliance with the federal reporting law has a presumption of reliability akin to that afforded a citizen informant.

5. Your Affiant knows from training and professional experience that when NCMEC advises that there was a hash value match for a file, and it is classified as apparent child pornography, it means that NCMEC and either an ESP, or law enforcement agency, (all of whom have a statutory duty to report child abuse) previously had an employee or officer open the file and confirm that this exact same file was apparent child pornography.

6. The original report to NCMEC was made by the ESP YAHOO. YAHOO is a social networking website and phone application that allows individuals on the internet to communicate with one another on a stationary or mobile electronic device. On YAHOO, you also have the ability to upload pictures and videos that are stored on your digital devices. ESP's sometimes uses hash value algorithm software like Microsoft Photo DNA and user reports to report child sexual abuse material to NCMEC. They are also under a statutory duty to report it when they become aware of a file that is child pornography, and they classify it accordingly. In this case, YAHOO reported the uploaded/shared video/image file to NCMEC as Child Pornography, at which time NCMEC did view some of the uploaded files which were determined to contain apparent child pornography. YAHOO reported that it did view the ENTIRE contents of some of the uploaded files which they also confirmed that it contained apparent child pornography. The above information reported by the ESP YAHOO and the NCMEC report leads Your Affiant to have probable cause that these files also would contain child pornography.

NOTED: A prior CYBERTIP (127540) was submitted by a member of the public, appears related, and was made available to the Illinois Lake County Sheriff's Office Investigator Hobbs in 2003. CI/TA results for "b96jon", however when Lake County Sheriff's Office was contacted it appears as though that case was never followed up on.

8. YAHOO provided 88 files dating from 2005 through 2020 that the suspect account had yn} Uploaded and downloaded confirmed child pornography using his b96jon@yahoo.com and his tj alternate listed and verified jonschrift1983gqgmail.com accounts. These accounts were also used to send confirmed child pornography to other recipients as well. 9. Your Affiant then downloaded all 88 case files (with approximately 80 or more all containing confirmed child pornography) with the following just being several of the files that the suspect uploaded/shared:

Boca Post redacted the titles and descriptions of the files due to their graphic nature. The report lists files with graphic descriptions of underage boys.

10. Due to your affiant's training knowledge and experience, when the word "Verified" appears after a given email address or telephone number that indicates that a 2-step verification process took place where a message was sent to those specific places, whereas the suspect would have to respond back to them to verify that they are the actual account holder of that specific email address and telephone number that was provided for registration.

11. On January 25, 2022 preservation requests were sent to YAHOO to preserve the user account b96jon@yahoo.com, and GOOGLE to preserve the user account jonschrift1983@gmail.com

12. On January 25, 2022 subpoenas were obtained and later executed with responses being received for the following: T-Mobile telephone number 847-275-4915 (belongs to David Brocato to an address in IL) ATT telephone number 312-282-8475 (belongs to suspect Jonathan Schrift to an address in IL) Honix Corporation for IP address 2607:ff28:9007:1::53e8 used on 11-28-2021 at 03:17:31 urc (The only info provided from the subpoena was that it belongs to a VPN provider PANGO Inc which offers private/secure and encrypted web browsing with the registration to the service bei created on 7/30/2019 and the last login to the above IPV6 was from IPV4 201.202.164.42 on 1/10/22 1519hrs, at which time I performed an open-source search of that IPV4 which came back to COSTA RICA. I then contacted PANGO to find out where to send a subpoena, and they responded that they would not be able to provide any specific use due to the VPN service they provide).

13. A records check was performed in the FLORIDA DRIVER AND VEHICLE INFORMATION DATABASE which revealed the following suspect information: Name: Jonathan Schrift (DOB 12/14/1983) Address: 115 N 12th St Lantana, FL 33462 Sst: FL DL# S613-428-83-454-0

14. The FLORIDA DRIVER AND VEHICLE INFORMATION DATABASE also advised that Schrift was born in IL and was issued his FL DL at that specified address within the jurisdiction of the Lantana Police Dept on 6/11/20 which was prior to the last uploaded video depicting confirmed child pornography on 12/1/2020.

15. It was also discovered that on 8/21/2020 the suspect reported to the Lantana Police Dept that his Credit Card was fraudulently used where he provided the telephone number 312-282-8475 which was also the same telephone number provided in the

CYBERTIP by the ESP YAHOO as being linked to the two above aforementioned email addresses.

16. A search warrant for the suspect's YAHOO account was obtained and executed with a response is later received. Upon reviewing the data, it revealed the account does belong to the suspect. There were numerous communications where the suspect identified himself as Jonathan Schrift and his address was 115 N 12th St Lantana, FL 33462. Pictures were also discovered of the suspect where he was positively identified by his FL DL as Jonathan Schrift (DOB 12/14/1983). Also discovered were several of the above aforementioned CYBERTIP files containing CONFIRMED CHILD PORNOGRAPHY. The content was dated 6/9/2005 through 11/29/2021 showing the suspect had continuous possession of that account during that timeframe and continuous access to the illegal material (this account was deactivated by YAHOO upon reporting of the CYBERTIP).

17. A search warrant for the suspect's GOOGLE account was obtained and executed with a response is later received. Upon reviewing the data, it revealed the account does belong to the suspect. There were numerous communications where the suspect identified himself as Jonathan Schrift and his address was 115 N 12th St Lantana, FL 33462. Pictures were also discovered of the suspect Jonathan Schrift who was positively identified by his FL DL. Within the account, multiple pictures of the suspect's Florida and previous Illinois driver's licenses were located. There were also screenshots from a cell phone payment sent from the suspect and the address 115 N 12th St Lantana, FL 33462. Also discovered within the suspect's GOOGLE account were dozens and dozens of files containing INFIRMED CHILD PORNOGRAPHY. The content was dated from 10/8/2008 through 1/27/2022 showing the suspect had continuous possession of that account during the timeframe and continuous access to the illegal material (this account is believed to be still active due to the non-disclosure in the search warrant). Within this GOOGLE ACCOUNT, the vast majority (well beyond a hundred videos and images) of confirmed child pornography was located within the suspect's GOOGLE PHOTOS. GOOGLE PHOTOS stores your photos and videos in "the cloud" – this is just tech-talk for online storage. GOOGLE PHOTOS can also be stored on specific devices or computers that connect to the internet before being saved to the cloud. Google photos can also be backed up to any device capable of electronic storage and can be viewed without having internet access. Once saved to the CLOUD the videos or images can be accessed from anywhere and any device that can access the internet.

18. Since this investigation began the suspect has moved from his residence located at 115 N 12th St Lantana, FL 33462 to another location.

19. A wage and hour report was requested by your Affiant which revealed that he currently is working for SP PLUS, which is a baggage and valet service provided to businesses throughout the country.

20. Through this investigation, it has been discovered the suspect was currently working as a valet at the Boca Resort and Club located at 501 E Camino Real Boca Raton, FL 33432. A subpoena was then obtained and executed to SP PLUS which confirmed his employment at that location as a full-time valet. Surveillance was conducted at which time the suspect was positively identified and observed working on the property.

21. Through this investigation, the suspect was found to be residing at the Boca Inn ROOM #117 located at 1801 N Federal Hwy Boca Raton, FL 33462 at which time surveillance was conducted where the suspect was positively identified and observed exiting that motel room daily during that time frame. The suspect was observed leaving that room carrying on his back a large dark-colored backpack. No other subject was observed coming from the room.

22. A lawful search warrant for the Boca Inn 1801 N Federal Hwy #117 Boca Raton, FL 33432 was granted as well as a search warrant for his persons.

23. On 7/1/22 the search warrants were executed with the assistance of Boca Raton PD and the Dept of Homeland Security, where Schrift was detained as he exited his room. The SW of the room revealed a black Samsung phone on his bed as well as a black tablet. DHS assisted with the searching of the devices which revealed in well in excess of 25 videos and images depicting Child Pornography on that phone. The tablet did not reveal illegal material.

24. Schrift has then transported back to the Lantana Police Dept where the search warrant for his person was executed. (1) cracked phone was located as well as another (1) black Samsung phone was located within his backpack with forensic exams still being conducted.

25. An interview was then conducted with Miranda Warnings being ready. Post Miranda Schrift stated that the GOOGLE and YAHOO account did belong to him as

well as the phone seized off his bed. Schrift stated that he obtained the material from online sites and at first, believed the subjects to be 18yoa and older. Schrift later stated that he did believe a good majority of the videos and images to be that of minors.

26. At this, I find probable cause exists that arrest and charge Schrift with 25 counts of possession of Child Pornography. Schrift was then transported to PBCJ without incident.

<https://bocapost.com/arrests/boca-raton-arrests/valet-at-the-boca-raton-resort-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography>

New charges filed against man with history of charges involving children

By: Craig Proffer, Courtney Johns

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UTAH (ABC4) – A Utah man who has been charged on multiple occasions, but never convicted, is now facing child pornography charges.

Jonathan Jareth Soberanis, 27, has now been charged with 21 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor. Court documents allege Soberanis had multiple images and videos of adults raping children as young as three.

In the most recent case, authorities received tips that videos of child sexual abuse material were being uploaded and distributed by an electronic account owned by Soberanis. Authorities tracked down the account's IP address to an apartment in Lehi where Soberanis lived.

Arresting documents say, "in observing his body language, he became more nervous, and his eyes became very wide" during the warrant search.

Officials say Soberanis was previously arrested for one incident where he allegedly exposed himself to a 9-year-old boy in a bathroom at The Shops at South Town.

During that incident, Soberanis reportedly asked the boy to 'come closer' while his pants were lowered in the boy's presence, according to arresting documents. The boy's mother reported him and he was arrested. After that arrest, Soberanis moved to another home in Salt Lake County.

Other previous incidents also occurred in the same neighborhood as Soberanis' current residence, officials say.

Authorities say the suspect used multiple accounts where he lied about his age and identity. During his recent arrest, officials also found illegal child sexual abuse material on his cellphone.

Soberanis has been arrested in the past for various forms of voyeurism and lewdness involving children in the past including:

In 2018, Soberanis was arrested for allegedly crawling under a dressing room stall at a public recreation center to watch and 8-year-old boy undress
In June 2021, police say he was arrested again for inappropriately touching a 5-year-old boy.

In January 2022, Soberanis was taken into custody after a string of voyeurism offenses allegedly involving him "wearing a disguise" and standing outside of bedroom windows. One of the bedrooms belonged to a 7-year-old boy. Police said Soberanis attempted to communicate with the boy through the window

In all of these cases, a judge ruled Soberanis was not competent to stand trial.

In the latest case, investigators paint Soberanis as a capable man who had the knowledge to create multiple accounts online including using a cloud service provider to store and distribute child pornography. In a court filing, Attorney General's Office requested Soberanis not be granted bail, writing that the state has no viable method to monitor Soberanis outside of a custodial setting and he victimized multiple children in the community.

He is currently booked at the Salt Lake County Jail.

Court documents also indicate Soberanis is employed at a local mall and is being investigated for a separate offense, where he is accused of having sexual contact with a child in the restroom of the mall.

<https://www.abc4.com/news/utah-man-previously-arrested-for-voyeurism-child-sexual-abuse-formally-charged/>

Chesapeake man faces 10 felony charges related to child pornography crimes

Jonathan Ray Wilson, 34, is charged with several counts of Custodian Sexual Abuse, Producing Child Pornography, Possessing Child Pornography and Victim Under Age 13.

Author: 13News Now Staff
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CHESAPEAKE, Va. — The Chesapeake Police Department arrested a man on Jan. 18 and charged him with a slew of felony child pornography violations.

A spokesman for the department said CPD's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit conducted a search at a house in the 700 block of Eden Way North, which isn't far from Greenbrier Mall.

It led to the arrest of Jonathan Ray Wilson, 34.

Wilson is charged with several counts of Custodian Sexual Abuse, Producing Child Pornography, Possessing Child Pornography, and Victim Under Age 13. He's facing 10 felonies, altogether.

His court date hasn't been announced, yet. Police are still investigating the case.

If you know anything that could aid detectives while they look into these crimes, please call the Crime Line at 1.888.LOCK.U.UP or submit a tip online.

Tipsters can remain anonymous, and could be eligible for a cash reward if your information leads to an arrest.

<https://www.13newsnow.com/article/news/crime/chesapeake-man-10-felony-charges-child-pornography/291-2d32adc2-4d0c-4a4d-8d82-edaae0240a95>

Buffalo Grove Man Charged With Child Pornography Possession: Police

Jordan Curtis, 18, remains in custody after Lake County police said they seized electronics with dozens of videos involving young girls.

Jeff Arnold, Patch Staff
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Jordan Curtis faces three counts of felony possession of child pornography and could face additional charges after several electronic devices were seized from his Buffalo Grove home by police. (Lake County Sheriff's Office)

BUFFALO GROVE, IL — An 18-year-old Buffalo Grove man faces child pornography charges after police found dozens of videos of young girls engaged in sexual acts with adult men on his computer, Lake County officials announced on Thursday.

Jordan Curtis faces three counts of felony possession of child pornography and could face additional charges after several electronic devices were seized from his Buffalo Grove home by police. (Lake County Sheriff's Office)

BUFFALO GROVE, IL — An 18-year-old Buffalo Grove man faces child pornography charges after police found dozens of videos of young girls engaged in sexual acts with adult men on his computer, Lake County officials announced on Thursday.

<https://patch.com/illinois/buffalogrove/buffalo-grove-man-charged-child-pornography-possession-police>

Faulkner County man pleads guilty to child porn charges, faces 20 years in prison

He threatened girl, 13, for nude photos

By Dale Ellis

June 24, 2022

A Faulkner County man faces a possible sentence of 20 years in prison after he pleaded guilty in federal court Thursday to one count of distribution of child pornography.

Jordan Cutler, 30, of Greenbrier, was indicted by a federal grand jury in June 2020 on one count each of production, transportation and distribution of child pornography following accusations that he threatened to kill a 13-year-old girl and her family unless she sent him nude images of herself and demanded a Benton woman send him pictures of her daughter.

According to a probable cause affidavit filed in federal court, the events leading to the charges began in November 2019 with an Instagram notification to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a user had uploaded child pornography to the social media site. The affidavit said the user, who also uploaded his own photograph, was identified as Cutler, who operated a lawn and landscaping business in Greenbrier.

The following day, the affidavit said, a 13-year-old girl to whose Instagram account the video and picture were posted told officials at the Child Advocacy Center in Arkadelphia that two days earlier she had received threats over Instagram and Snapchat. She said the person who contacted her had told her if she didn't send nude images of herself he would kidnap, torture and murder her. The affidavit said the girl said she complied by sending a video of herself but said she was then told to molest and photograph her younger sibling.

The girl said she was told by the man that he would rape, torture and kill them both if she refused the demand, the affidavit said.

On Wednesday, federal marshals escorted Cutler into the courtroom from the Jefferson County jail, where he has been held for federal authorities since March of last year. Prior to that, he had been held in the Pulaski County jail since April 2020 after a federal magistrate judge ordered him held for trial after finding that Cutler had "engaged in dangerous and predatory behavior toward at least one minor and threatened serious harm to multiple individuals."

U.S. District Judge Brian Miller presided over the hearing remotely. Assistant U.S. Attorney Kristin Bryant, who is prosecuting the case, was present in the courtroom, as was Cutler's attorney, Lauren Elenbaas of Conway.

In pleading guilty to the charge contained in Count 3 of the indictment, Cutler will not face prosecution on Counts 1 and 2, production of child pornography and transportation of child pornography.

"He's receiving a significant benefit with the dismissal of Count 1 which carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years in prison," said Bryant, as she outlined the terms of the plea agreement.

Summarizing the factual basis of Count 3, Bryant said that on Feb. 5, 2020, a woman she identified as "H.B." told Benton County sheriff's investigators that she had been contacted through Facebook by a person who identified himself as "Dylan Hook," who was later identified as Cutler.

"Hook claimed to know where H.B. lived, worked and stated he had been observing her day-to-day activities," Bryant said. "A search warrant was executed on that Facebook account and it was later determined that Dylan Hook was actually an alias that the defendant, Mr. Cutler, used on Facebook."

She said the search warrant revealed that on Dec. 3, 2019, Cutler, using the Dylan Hook alias, first contacted H.B. and on Dec. 30, sent her a 31-second video depicting an infant being sexually abused.

"H.B. responded by saying 'why the f*** do you keep sending me s*** like that?'" Bryant concluded.

Bryant said that Cutler was identified as H.B.'s tormentor through a photograph he sent her of himself while claiming to be Hook that investigators later compared to known photos of Cutler.

"How do you plead to the June 20, 2020 indictment?" Miller asked Cutler after Bryant had finished.

"Guilty," Cutler said, quietly, looking down at the defense table.

"Did you in fact commit the offense as charged?" Miller asked.

"Yes, Your Honor," Cutler answered.

After accepting Cutler's plea, Miller explained that he will be sentenced at a later date after completion of a pre-sentencing report by the U.S. Probation Office that will be used to calculate a sentence range under U.S. sentencing guideline, a process that typically takes two to three months.

<https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2022/jun/24/faulkner-county-man-pleads-guilty-to-child-porn/>

Child Pornography Charges Filed Against Warrenville Man

Jordan Erdakos, 25, was charged with eight counts of child pornography after police executed a search warrant on his Warrenville home.

Lisa Marie Farver, Patch Staff
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WARRENVILLE, IL — A Warrenville man has been charged with eight counts of child pornography after police executed a search warrant on his home Wednesday and reported finding child pornography files.

Jordan Erdakos, 25, of the 30W000 block of Maplewood Drive, was taken into custody and is currently being held at DuPage County Jail on \$100,000 bail.

“Child pornography is not a victimless crime,” DuPage County State’s Attorney Robert Berlin said in a news release.

Berlin added, “I thank Sheriff Mendrick and his office for their proactive efforts in protecting our children from child pornographers.”

Erdakos is schedule to appear in court again on Aug. 17.

<https://patch.com/illinois/wheaton/child-pornography-charges-filed-against-warrenville-man>

Nashua police arrest 12 in sex crime sweep

Staff Report
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Nashua police on Tuesday announced the arrest of a dozen individuals on charges related to either sexual exploitation of children on the internet, or failure to register as sexual offenders.

Seven were arrested on charges related to possession or distribution of online images of child sexual abuse, according to a news release.

Johnny Oriol, 41, of 4 Pine Grove Ave., Nashua, was charged with prohibited uses of computer services, and attempted felonious sexual assault, both Class B felonies. Police allege that Oriol was communicating on a computer with an individual he believed to be a child.

Vincent Giugno, 18, of Hopkinton, Mass., was charged with 10 counts of possession of child sexual assault images, a Class A felony, as a result of an investigation into the sexual exploitation of children on online platforms.

Sean Olivera, 30, of 190 Ledge St., Nashua, was charged with two counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images, and three counts of possession of child sexual abuse images.

Erin Taylor, 23, of 34 Kessler Farm Drive, Nashua, was charged with five counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images.

Nathaniel Guerra, 21, of 18 Conant Road, Nashua, was charged with five counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images.

Noah Hesse, 23, of 213 Brook Village Road, Nashua, was charged with two counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images; three counts of possession of child sexual abuse images; three counts of indecent exposure and lewdness; and prohibited uses of computer services.

Jordan Fernandes, 22, of 7 Commercial St., Nashua, was charged with three counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images.

Five people also were arrested for failure to properly register with law enforcement after prior convictions for sexual assault, according to the release.

David Montes-Rodriguez, 32, of 33 Ash St., Nashua, convicted in 2008 of aggravated felonious sexual assault, was charged with three counts of failing to register his online identifiers.

Keith Herbert, 44, of 23 Temple St., Nashua, was charged with violating the duty to inform, subsequent offense, for failing to report information about vehicles registered in his name. Herbert was convicted of aggravated felonious sexual assault in Massachusetts in 1998.

Rickie Duncan, 66, of 30 Amory St., Nashua, convicted of unlawful sexual intercourse in Utah in 1993, was charged with failing to report, subsequent offense.

Kenneth Amber, 74, 44 Chestnut St., Nashua, who was convicted in 1995 of indecent assault and battery against a child under 14 in Massachusetts, was charged with failing to report, subsequent offense.

Kenneth Haley, 44, 57 Harbor Ave., Nashua, was arrested for failing to complete his sex offender registration, required after a 2008 conviction for aggravated felonious sexual assault.

Nashua police investigated the 12 cases with assistance from the New Hampshire Internet Crimes against Children Task Force, Homeland Security Investigations and the U.S. Marshal Service.

The arrests were made on Monday, coinciding with "Safer Internet Day," a global public awareness campaign that promotes the safe use of digital technology, especially among children and youths, according to the news release.

https://www.unionleader.com/news/crime/nashua-police-arrest-12-in-sex-crime-sweep/article_e7d0491b-ab12-539e-925d-efcf661c11cc.html

Tuscaloosa Co. man arrested for possession of child pornography

By WBRC Staff

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COTTONDALE, Ala. (WBRC) - The Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office arrested a man on child pornography charges.

Police say 25-year-old Jordan Price was charged with two counts of possession of child pornography with intent to distribute, and eight counts of possession of child pornography.

Price was arrested after Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Criminal Investigations Division investigators executed a search warrant at his residence in the 14000 block of Keenes Mill Road in Cottondale on March 25.

Police say probable cause was established to arrest Price after the search.

<https://www.wbrc.com/2022/03/28/tuscaloosa-co-man-arrested-possession-child-pornography/>

Three MD Men Facing Fed Indictment for Sexual Exploitation of Children to Produce Child Pornography

Two of the Defendants are Previously Convicted Sex Offenders

By Department of Justice U.S. Attorney's Office
February 9, 2022

Baltimore, Maryland – Federal grand juries in Maryland have returned indictments against three men in unrelated cases charging them with sexual exploitation of a child to produce child pornography and related charges. Charged in the three indictments are Gary Rocky Jones, age 42, of Baltimore; Dennis James Harrison, age 39, of Rocky Ridge, Maryland; and Jose Alexander Diaz-Rodriguez, age 22, of Thurmont, Maryland. The indictments were announced by United States Attorney for the District of Maryland Erik L. Barron; Special Agent in Charge James R. Mancuso of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Baltimore; Special Agent in Charge Thomas J. Sobocinski of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Baltimore Field Office; Commissioner Michael Harrison of the Baltimore Police Department; Chief Jason Lando of the City of Frederick Police Department; Frederick County Sheriff Charles A. "Chuck" Jenkins; and Frederick County State's Attorney J. Charles Smith, III.

A superseding indictment was returned on February 2, 2022, against previously convicted sex offender Gary Rocky Jones, adding 27 counts of sexual exploitation of a child to produce child pornography, 15 counts of use of an interstate commerce facility, specifically, the internet, to entice a minor to engage in illegal sexual activity—relating to 15 minor victims from around the country, and commission of a felony crime involving a minor by a registered sex offender, to his original charges of distribution and possession of child pornography. The superseding indictment alleges that between 2014 and August 2015, Jones twice produced images and videos of a minor male engaged in sexually explicit conduct. The victim was aged 14 to 15 years old during the exploitation. The superseding indictment also alleges that from September 2018 through August 2020, Jones used social media accounts to persuade, entice, and coerce another 15 minor males from several states and ranging in age from eight to 17 years old, to engage in sexually explicit conduct. During these internet-based communications, Jones allegedly caused and attempted to cause the victims to produce live and recorded visual depictions of themselves engaged in sexually explicit conduct, both alone and with others, and send Jones the sexually-explicit images and video via the internet. Further, the superseding indictment alleges that on April 2, 2018, Jones distributed child pornography and possessed child pornography from

December 2, 2014, through January 31, 2020, and from May 29, 2017, through July 14, 2020, respectively, in affiliation with two separate email addresses and related storage accounts. Finally, the superseding indictment alleges that between 2015 and September 2020, Jones committed felony offenses involving minors while Jones was required to register as a sex offender under Maryland law.

According to Harrison's nine-count indictment, which was returned by the Grand Jury on February 3, 2022, Harrison sexually exploited two minor girls beginning when the one victim was two years old and when another victim was 10 to 11 years old, to produce child pornography; coerced and enticed a 12-year-old victim to engage in illegal sexual conduct; possessed child pornography; and committed a felony crime involving a minor while he was a registered sex offender. From at least September 2020 through August 2021, Harrison engaged in sexual activity with Jane Doe 1, a 12-year-old girl who resided in Pennsylvania. The indictment alleges that Harrison picked up Jane Doe 1 from her residence and drove her to various locations in Maryland, including Harrison's residence, where he engaged in illegal sexual activity with Jane Doe 1. The indictment alleges that Harrison attempted to and did use, persuade, induce, entice, and coerce Jane Doe 1 to engage in sexually explicit conduct in order to produce visual depictions of such conduct. Harrison also allegedly used a hidden camera and a mobile phone in 2018 to produce a series of image files depicting Jane Doe 2, a 10-to-11-year-old minor, nude and partially nude in a bedroom and bathroom in Pennsylvania and in a bathroom in Maryland. The images were taken without the knowledge of Jane Doe 2. The indictment alleges that on August 12, 2021, Harrison possessed child pornography on his phone, a tablet, several USB drives, and a micro SD card. Finally, the indictment alleges that Harrison committed these offenses involving a minor while he was required to register as a sex offender under Maryland law.

Finally, Jose Alexander Diaz-Rodriguez is charged in a three-count indictment, returned on February 3, 2022, with sexual exploitation of a child on July 26, 2021, by employing, using, persuading, inducing, and coercing a prepubescent minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct, for the purpose of producing visual depictions of such conduct; for distributing child pornography on June 4, 2021; and for possessing visual depictions of prepubescent minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct on July 26, 2021.

If convicted, Jones and Harrison each face a mandatory minimum sentence of 25 years and a maximum sentence of 50 years in federal prison for each count of sexual exploitation of a child; a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years and a maximum of life imprisonment for each count of coercion and enticement of a child; a mandatory

minimum sentence of 10 years and a maximum of 20 years in federal prison for possession of child pornography, and a mandatory sentence of 10 years in federal prison for the commission of a felony crime involving a minor by a registered sex offender. Jones also faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years and a maximum of 40 years in federal prison for the distribution of child pornography. Diaz-Rodriguez faces a mandatory minimum of 15 years and a maximum sentence of 30 years in federal prison for sexual exploitation of a child; a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years and a maximum sentence of 20 years in federal prison for distribution of child pornography; and a maximum of 20 years in federal prison for possession of child pornography. Actual sentences for federal crimes are typically less than the maximum penalties. A federal district court judge will determine any sentence after taking into account the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors. Jones is in federal custody and is scheduled for trial on December 5, 2022. Harrison and Diaz-Rodriguez are in custody on state charges and will have an initial appearance in U.S. District Court in Baltimore, although dates for those hearings have not been set.

An indictment is not a finding of guilt. An individual charged by indictment is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at some later criminal proceedings.

These cases were brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorney's Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc. For more information about Internet safety education, please visit www.justice.gov/psc and click on the "Resources" tab on the left of the page.

United States Attorney Erek L. Barron commended the FBI and the Baltimore Police Department for their work in the Jones case which is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Paul E. Budlow and Paul A Riley. Mr. Barron also recognized the FBI, the City of Frederick Police Department, and the Frederick State's Attorney's Office for their work in the Diaz-Rodriguez case, and HSI, the Frederick County Sheriff's Office, and the Frederick County State's Attorney's Office for their work in the Harrison investigation and prosecution. Mr. Barron thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul E. Budlow and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Joyce King, Chief Counsel with the Frederick County State's Attorney's Office, who are prosecuting the Diaz-Rodriguez and Harrison cases.

<https://southernmarylandchronicle.com/2022/02/09/three-md-men-facing-fed-indictment-for-sexual-exploitation-of-children-to-produce-child-pornography/>

Marlborough man charged with possessing child pornography

Norman Miller, MetroWest Daily News
November 4, 2022

MARLBOROUGH — Authorities allege a local man possessed and uploaded to the internet pornography featuring young children.

Police arrested Jose Rauffman Oliveira, 34, at 6:19 a.m. Wednesday at his 319 East Main St. apartment, after an investigation.

According to Marlborough police, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the Massachusetts State Police contacted local police on Oct. 18. They had been contacted by Google, who told them that images and videos of child pornography had been uploaded to the internet from a Google account registered to Oliveira.

"There were several uploads that show pre-pubescent juveniles depicted in a state of nudity," police said in a statement. "Some of the images and videos included sexual acts involving the children."

Police arrested Oliveira and charged him with possession of child pornography.

Oliveira pleaded not guilty later Wednesday during his Marlborough District Court arraignment, where he was ordered held on \$2,000 bail. He is due back in court on Dec. 4 for a probable cause hearing.

Oliveira's lawyer, Caleb Koufman, disputed the allegations after being contacted by the Daily News.

"The evidence will show my client is innocent," Koufman said. He would not comment further.

<https://money.yahoo.com/marlborough-man-charged-possessing-child-190009719.html>

Child pornography case: Mount Pleasant man accused

By FOX6 News Digital Team

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MOUNT PLEASANT, Wis. - A 27-year-old Mount Pleasant man faces six counts of possession of child pornography. The accused is Jose Perez-Cabrera.

According to the criminal complaint, members of the Racine Police Department executed a search warrant at a residence on S. Newman Road in Mount Pleasant on Monday, Jan. 31.

Investigators received a cyber tip from the Wisconsin Department of Justice. The tip indicated "suspected child pornography videos were being uploaded and downloaded" at the Newman Road address. A review of the videos shows they "are clearly child pornography and exploitation, and similarly depict child sexual assault."

Perez-Cabrera, the resident of that home in question, was taken into custody. The criminal complaint says "he admitted that he had been uploading and downloading child pornography for some time using the Kik Application."

The complaint says "numerous electronic devices were seized from the home" and from Perez-Cabrera.

Perez-Cabrera made his initial appearance in Racine County court on Tuesday, Feb. 1. Cash bond was set at \$20,000. He is scheduled to be back in court for a preliminary hearing on Feb. 10.

<https://www.fox6now.com/news/child-pornography-case-mount-pleasant-man>

Flagler man arrested on child porn charges, accused of trying to buy child online

Thomas Mates, Digital Storyteller
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Joseph Blackwell, 30, was arrested after a more than yearlong investigation.

FLAGLER COUNTY, Fla. – A Flagler County man is locked up after deputies said they found child pornography in his home and uncovered a conversation in which he was attempting to purchase a child online for sex.

Joseph Blackwell, 30, was arrested Friday morning after a more than yearlong investigation.

Deputies said the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children first received tips in October 2021 that Blackwell was in possession of child pornography.

The sheriff's office said it then served a search warrant on his home in Daytona North on Jan. 19, 2022, seizing multiple devices from his home.

Deputies said several images and video of child pornography on the devices.

Investigators said they also found an email conversation between Blackwell and another, unidentified, man. The conversation centered around Blackwell having heard that the man was in the business of selling children for sex and that Blackwell was interested, records show.

Deputies said no actual exchange ever occurred and that there is no evidence to suggest the girl Blackwell tried to purchase was ever with the other man.

Blackwell faces 20 counts of promoting the sexual performance of a child and one count of soliciting a custodian of a child for unlawful sexual conduct.

<https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2022/11/04/flagler-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges-accused-of-trying-to-buy-child-online/>

“I Don’t Think It’s Okay”: Coral Springs Man Arrested on Child Porn Charges

By Kevin Deutsch

January 27, 2022

A Coral Springs man was arrested on child porn charges Friday after police found pictures and videos in his email of boys having sex with men, court records show.

Investigators discovered at least 40 videos and eight images containing child pornography in emails and on devices used by Joseph Ciaramitaro, 65, who lives on Broken Woods Drive, according to an arrest affidavit filed by Coral Springs Police.

Detectives opened their investigation into Ciaramitaro based on cyber tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which sent police information about illegal pornography Ciaramitaro was allegedly emailing, court records show.

The organization sent police four tips between May and September 2021, the records show.

According to investigators, one of the videos referenced in the tips shows a boy as young as three engaged in a sex act with a 25 to 30-year-old-male.

Police executed a search warrant on Ciaramitaro’s residence on Jan. 21, with investigators approaching the suspect as he and his wife walked toward their vehicle in the parking lot of their condominium neighborhood, according to the arrest affidavit.

Ciaramitaro was detained, separated from his wife, and read his rights, police said.

Then, according to investigators, he started talking.

“Post Miranda, [Ciaramitaro] provided a full confession of his involvement in possessing and transmitting child pornography by means of his cellular phones/personal computers,” a Coral Springs Police detective wrote in the affidavit.

“When asked why he was moving [child porn] between two of his emails, [Ciaramitaro] stated that he was just saving it, and said ‘I don’t know why I do it.’”

During Ciaramitaro’s confession, he said he “would never harm a child, that it was just

fantasy," and that he'd been looking at child porn for about a year, admitting that it had "piqued his interest."

When asked if he felt looking at images and videos of children being abused was okay, Ciaramitaro said it wasn't, according to police.

"I don't think it's okay," Ciaramitaro told investigators. "I don't think it's right."

Ciaramitaro is charged with ten counts of possessing, controlling, or viewing depictions of child sexual conduct, one count of transmitting child pornography, and one count of compiling computer pornography involving a minor, records show.

He was held on a \$52,000 bond Thursday at the Broward Main Jail.

<https://coralspringstalk.com/man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges-37501>

Wilkes-Barre man arrested without bail; child sex charges

By Rayna McGlynn Wednesday, January 26th 2022

WILKES-BARRE, LUZERNE COUNTY (WOLF) — A Wilkes-Barre man has been arrested without bail on allegations that he downloaded and possessed over 200 child sexual abuse materials, including taking lewd pictures of a girl that he knew.

Joseph Henry Dale, 25, was arrested following a search of his West River Street apartment Tuesday night.

When detectives knocked on the door announcing their presence, Dale is said to have attempted to delete lewd images from a phone he later hid under a couch.

The phone and other electronic devices were eventually taken from Dale's home, court records say.

Allegedly, more than 200 images and video files depicting child sexual abuse materials were recovered from the phone.

Dale admitted to taking the pictures of one of the girls, according to court records, while she was in a bathtub or he would have the girl in various positions.

Dale then allegedly told detectives he has viewed child sexual abuse materials for one to two years using special word searches for self-gratification.

Court records say Dale began deleting images from his cellular phone in anticipation of being questioned by authorities when a social media app he used became locked.

Dale was arraigned on 200 counts of child pornography, 48 counts of dissemination of children engaged in sex acts, and two counts of criminal use of communication facility. Judge Spagnuolo denied bail for Dale deeming him a danger to the community.

<https://fox56.com/news/local/wilkes-barre-man-arrested-without-bail-child-sex-charges>

Allentown man possessed and shared images and videos of child abuse, police say

By Daniel Patrick Sheehan The Morning Call
Sep 30, 2022

An Allentown man possessed and shared images and videos of child sexual abuse, including that of a 2-year-old girl, city police charge.

Joseph Define Jr., 32, was charged Wednesday with possessing child pornography, disseminating images of child sexual acts and criminal use of a communication facility, according to court records.

Authorities were alerted by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that Kik, a chat app, reported a user uploaded and shared several abuse images in October 2021. The user's internet address was traced to Define, an arrest affidavit says.

Police served a warrant Aug. 27 at Define's apartment and seized items including a cellphone. Forensic examination showed the phone contained 15 images of children in lewd poses and the video of the 2-year-old being abused, according to the affidavit.

Define was arraigned by District Judge Michael D'Amore and released on \$100,000 bail.

<https://www.mcall.com/news/police/mc-nws-child-abuse-images-arrest-20220930-qeooeisudbctnlhpcpte6y2by-story.html>

East Bridgewater Police Department Arrests Man on Child Pornography Charges

EAST BRIDGEWATER — Chief Paul O'Brien reports that the East Bridgewater Police Department arrested a man on child pornography charges this morning following an over monthlong investigation.

August 4, 2022 JGPR Staff

EAST BRIDGEWATER — Chief Paul O'Brien reports that the East Bridgewater Police Department arrested a man on child pornography charges this morning following an over monthlong investigation.

JOSEPH DELSIGNOR, 41, of EAST BRIDGEWATER, was arrested and charged with: Dissemination of Obscene Matter and Knowingly Purchase/Possession of Child Pornography.

During the months of July and August, 2022, Detective Cecelia Cacciatore initiated an investigation after receiving a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force regarding child pornography. The subject of the investigation was identified as DELSIGNOR.

On Aug. 3, Detective Cacciatore was granted a search warrant out of Brockton District Court to search a residence on Bedford Street for electronic devices capable of storing, accessing, sharing and disseminating child pornography.

On Aug. 4 at approximately 6:30 a.m., Detective Sgt. Ryan Cramer, Detective Cecelia Cacciatore and Detective David Perrault executed the search warrant. They were later assisted by the patrol shift, including Sgt. John Smith, Officer Derreck Card and Officer Kyle Bersani.

DELSIGNOR was present at the address and he was advised of the search warrant and read his Miranda Rights by Detective Cacciatore.

During their search, officers seized several computers, phones and other electronic devices from the residence. DELSIGNOR was not arrested at the scene, but was advised that criminal charges may follow when the electronic devices were analyzed.

Upon returning to the East Bridgewater Police Department, Detective Cacciatore accessed digital files on DELSIGNOR's cellphone allegedly depicting acts consistent

with child pornography. Detective Sgt. Cramer and Officer Bersani then returned to the residence and placed DELSIGNOR under arrest without incident.

During the execution of the search warrant police also located COLIN MCCUEN, 26, of WEYMOUTH, inside the residence, who was determined to have an unrelated outstanding arrest warrant. He was taken into custody at the scene without incident. He is not facing any charges in relation to the child pornography investigation.

DELSIGNOR was arraigned in Brockton District Court today.

<https://jgpr.net/2022/08/04/east-bridgewater-police-department-arrests-man-on-child-pornography-charges/#:~:text=JOSEPH%20DELSIGNOR%2C%2041%2C%20of%20EAST,Purchase%2FPossession%20of%20Child%20Pornography>

Frederick County Grand Jury Returns Three Indictments On Friday

By Kevin McManus

May 21, 2022

These cases now move to Circuit Court for trial.

Frederick, Md. (KM) – Three indictments were returned on Friday by the Frederick County Grand Jury.

The panel charged:

Charles Emory Diller, 60, of Frederick whose charged with 1st- and 2nd-degree assault for an incident which occurred on April 19th, 2022.

Wayne Augustus Chase IV, 26, of Frederick whose with possession with intent to distribute marijuana, and distribution of pot for an incident which occurred on July 21st, 2021.

Joseph Gordon Ecker, 30, of Frederick who is charged with two counts of promotion, distribution and possession intent to distribute child pornography, and seven counts for possession of child pornography for incidents which occurred on June 14th, 2021, July 13th, 2021 and December 20th, 2021.

These indictments move these cases to the Circuit Court where trial dates will be scheduled.

The Frederick County State's Attorney's Office says an indictment is a charging document and all defendants are innocent until proven guilty.

<https://www.wfmd.com/2022/05/21/frederick-county-grand-jury-returns-three-indictments-on-friday/>

Police: Man charged with 40 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor turns himself in

Ryan Oehrli Asheville Citizen Times

August 25, 2022

ASHEVILLE - A man charged with 40 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor turned himself in to the Buncombe County jail Aug. 25.

Joseph David Ostler, 31, faces 38 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and two counts of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor, according to Asheville police.

Police began investigating Ostler in September 2021, according to a news release. Detectives with the computer crimes unit followed up on tips from the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The task force's program "consists of state and local law enforcement task forces dedicated to developing effective responses to online enticement of children by sexual predators, child exploitation and child obscenity and pornography cases," according to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

If you know of a child being abused in any way, you can contact the Asheville Police Department by anonymously texting TIP2APD to 847411, or use the TIP2APD smartphone app. You can also share information by calling 828-252-1110.

<https://www.citizen-times.com/story/news/2022/08/25/buncombe-county-crime-charged-joseph-ostler-sexual-exploitation-north-carolina/7897004001/>

Havelock man arrested on charges for child porn

By: Jason O. Boyd

Jun 10, 2022

HAVELOCK, N.C. (WNCT) — The Havelock Police Department has arrested and charged a man with possession of child porn.

Joseph Rodriguez, 40, of New Bern, was arrested earlier this week at a home on Abby Leigh Avenue in Havelock. He was charged with nine counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. He was taken to the Craven County Jail and had a court appearance on Thursday. He had a secured bond of \$50,000 set.

The arrest was made by Havelock police with assistance from the Craven County Sheriff's Office and New Bern Police Department after a search warrant was executed. The Havelock Police Department initiated an investigation into the possession of child pornography, after receiving a tip from The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

<https://www.wnct.com/on-your-side/crime-tracker/havelock-man-arrested-on-multiple-child-porn-charges/>

Carteret County man arrested for possession of child porn

By: Jason O. Boyd
Feb 9, 2022

DOWN EAST, N.C. (WNCT) — The Carteret County Sheriff's Office has arrested and charged a man with possession of child porn.

On Tuesday, Joshua Ryan Smith Gray, 45, of Beaufort was taken into custody by members of the Carteret County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce. He was charged as a result of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation.

Detectives from the Carteret County Sheriff's Office ICAC Taskforce, which includes Pine Knoll Shores Police conducted the investigation. Gray was arrested at his home residence, which is also where evidence and equipment used to facilitate the crime was seized, officials said.

Gray was charged with Third Degree Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – Possession of Materials. Gray was being held in the Carteret County Detention Center under a \$200,000 bond and was scheduled for an initial court appearance this week.

<https://www.wnct.com/on-your-side/crime-tracker/carteret-county-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-porn/>

Farmington man facing child pornography charges

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FARMINGTON, Mo. (KMOV.com) -- A St. Francois County man was arrested and charged for possessing child pornography.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol said Joshua Hammers of Farmington was arrested on Wednesday for promoting and possession of child pornography.

The St. Francois County Prosecuting Attorney's Office formally charged Hammers with one count of promoting child pornography and five counts of possession of child pornography.

Hammers, 22, remains in custody at the St. Francois County Jail with a \$250,000 bond.

https://www.kmov.com/news/farmington-man-facing-child-pornography-charges/article_d5588bce-7569-11ec-8d28-c76920e74ab2.html

Bellingham man arrested on child pornography charges

June 9, 2022

BELLINGHAM, Wash. – A Bellingham man was arrested as part of an investigation into a child pornography ring.

Court documents state that investigators were first tipped off in March of 2020 to sexually explicit files uploaded to DropBox.

Over the course of the next two years, undercover agents were able to trace the files back to 21-year-old Joshua Hayes of Bellingham.

A search warrant was carried out at Hayes' residence in March of this year.

Hayes denied being in possession of child pornography, but admitted to visiting chatrooms to view adult content.

Analysis of electronics seized from the home uncovered thousands of videos and images of child sexual exploitation, many of which were shared to others by Hayes himself.

Hayes was taken into custody on June 2nd.

<https://kgmi.com/news/007700-bellingham-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Registered sex offender admits to reoffence at Columbus homeless shelter

by: Adam Conn

Posted: Nov 9, 2022

COLUMBUS, Ohio (WCMH) – A registered sex offender turned himself in for violating the terms of his parole.

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office said on Monday, Joshua Hockenberry called and confessed that he was using the Wi-Fi internet at Faith Mission — a homeless shelter on North Grant Avenue — to look at child pornography.

Hockenberry agreed to be taken to the FCSO Detective's Bureau, where he admitted to downloading child pornography on his cell phone for the last several months at Faith Mission. The sheriff's office said Hockenberry also gave Columbus Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force detectives his email and Google account information.

In July 2013, Hockenberry pleaded guilty to two counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor. He was sentenced to four years in prison, which were suspended, plus three years of community control. After a one-year extension, he was discharged from community control in July 2017.

He faces similar charges after his arraignment on Tuesday and will have a preliminary hearing Nov. 17.

<https://www.nbc4i.com/news/local-news/columbus/registered-sex-offender-admits-to-reoffence-at-columbus-homeless-shelter/>

BurlCo Man Charged With Possessing Child Pornography: Official

Joshua Hudson was arrested and charged last Wednesday, the prosecutor said.

Janel Miller Patch Staff
21, 2022

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MT. LAUREL TOWNSHIP, NJ — A Mt. Laurel Township man was arrested and charged Wednesday with possessing child sexual abuse material, the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office said.

Several police departments began investigating Joshua Hudson in November after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children made them aware of Hudson's online activities, a press release said.

During this investigation, law enforcement officials discovered Hudson used an "online data storage system" to keep child sexual abuse materials, according to authorities.

"Multiple electronic devices were seized" during the investigation, which will also be inspected by the police, the district attorney said.

Hudson was sent to the Burlington County Prison pending a detention hearing in Superior Court, according to authorities.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/cinnaminson/burlco-man-charged-possessing-child-pornography-official>

Two arrested in operation targeting child pornography in Gaston County

The operation took place May 2 and May 3.

By WBTV Web
Staff

May. 5, 2022

GASTON COUNTY, N.C. (WBTV) – An operation involving over 40 cyber tips received through the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force led to the arrest of two in Gaston County, authorities said.

According to Gaston County Police, the operation, which took place May 2 and May 3, consisted of three search warrants on homes that were served by the County Police Emergency Response Team, 39 home visits conducted by eight separate teams of investigators and certified forensic analysts, and multiple forensic interviews of children at the Gaston County Child Advocacy Center.

As a result of the operation, 25-year-old Joshua Ryan Kenyon, of Stanley, was charged with three felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a child and three felony counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a child, authorities said.

He is being held in the Gaston County Jail under a \$250,000 bond.

Additionally, 28-year-old Corey Lee Swim, of Mt. Holly, was charged with six felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a child and three felony counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a child, according to Gaston County Police.

He was booked into the county jail on a \$150,000 bond.

<https://www.wbtv.com/2022/05/05/two-arrested-operation-targeting-child-pornography-gaston-county/>

Nappanee Teen Arrested For Possession Of Child Porn

Staff Reporter

Jan 12, 2022

NAPPANEE — A Nappanee teenager was recently arrested after officers received cyber tips about him possessing child pornography.

Joshua Kaden Owens, 19, 196 Meadows, is charged with two counts of possession of child pornography, both level 5 felonies; and three counts of possession of child pornography, all level 6 felonies.

On Nov. 10, 2021, an officer with the Nappanee Police Department received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. While reviewing the case, the officer received a second cyber tip that had been linked to the first tip due to having the same email address. Officers obtained a search warrant for Owens' home on Jan. 4, 2022.

On Jan. 7, a Nappanee Police detective was watching the home for Owens, who arrived and then left in a vehicle. The detective pulled Owens over in a parking lot and Owens agreed to speak with the officer at the Nappanee Police Department.

During the interview, Owens admitted to possessing videos and photographs of children under the age of 18. The officer also found several photographs and videos considered to be child pornography.

Owens was booked in the Elkhart County Corrections Facility on Jan. 7, with a \$25,000 bond.

<http://www.inkfreenews.com/2022/01/12/nappanee-teen-arrested-for-possession-of-child-porn/>

Louisville man arrested on several child pornography charges

Jun 2, 2022 Updated Jun 2, 2022

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (WDRB) -- A Louisville man was arrested Wednesday on child pornography charges.

According to an arrest report, 23-year-old Joshua Riddle was taken into custody by Kentucky State Police.

The arrest was the result of an undercover investigation by the KSP Electronic Crimes Branch. Police said the investigation revealed that, while Riddle was living in Hardin County, he uploaded and distributed "hundreds" of images and videos containing child pornography from 2019-21.

Since then, police said he had moved to a home on Grinstead Drive in Louisville.

A search warrant was executed on Riddle's home Wednesday, and he admitted to "possession, uploading, saving and distributing" child pornography, according to the arrest report.

He was arrested and charged with 10 counts of Distribution of Matter Portraying a Sexual Performance by a Minor.

Riddle is currently being held in the Hardin County Detention Center.

https://www.wdrb.com/news/crime-reports/louisville-man-arrested-on-several-child-pornography-charges/article_9065e0f0-e280-11ec-aabe-8f3309b26da2.html

Pineville man arrested on several child porn charges

By KALB Digital Team
Feb. 2, 2022

PINEVILLE, La. (KALB) - A Pineville man has been arrested for multiple charges relating to child pornography.

The Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office said Joshua Daniel Vickers, 31, has been charged with four counts of pornography involving juveniles and 19 counts of distribution of pornography involving juveniles - victim under the age of 13.

RPSO said on January 18, 2022, they received information from the Office of the Attorney General, Louisiana Bureau of Investigation Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce of alleged criminal sexual conduct believed to have occurred in the Pineville area.

According to the report, a cyber tip was received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that contained information related to the distribution of child porn via online activities.

RPSO said Vickers was eventually identified as a suspect. On February 2, 2022, Vickers' home was searched, and he was taken into custody without incident. He was then booked into the Rapides Parish Detention Center on the four counts of pornography involving juveniles.

After further investigation, RPSO said they obtained additional warrants for Vickers' arrest in reference to the 19 counts of distribution of pornography involving juveniles - victim under the age of 13. On February 7, 2022, he was taken into custody again and booked into the Rapides Parish Detention Center, where he remains in lieu of a \$950,000 bond.

<https://www.kalb.com/2022/02/02/pineville-man-arrested-joint-child-porn-investigation/>

Sedalia man arrested on child porn charges

by Dan Claxton

Thursday, August 25th 2022

NEW BLOOMFIELD — A Sedalia man is charged with Promoting Child Pornography after police received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding a transfer of computer files in January.

According to court documents, one of the files was determined to contain child pornography.

A warrant was prepared and served on 23-year-old Juan Comstock of Sedalia.

During an interview with police, Comstock admitted to possessing a short video depicting a young girl in a sexual context.

He also admitted to viewing, downloading, and transmitting child pornography using a special application.

Comstock told officers he remembered receiving and uploading the video of the young girl.

The document states that Comstock engaged in the distribution of child porn when he transmitted the file using the app.

<https://krcgtv.com/news/local/sedalia-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges>

3 suspected of possessing and distributing child porn arrested in San Bernardino

By: Tony Kurzweil

Mar 17, 2022

Three men suspected of possessing and distributing child pornography were arrested by detectives with the San Bernardino Police Department's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force Wednesday.

Search warrants were served at the homes of Juan Espinoza Jr. in the 1600 block of North G Street, Roy Rincon Gonzales in the 800 block of West 21st Street, and Eduardo Medina Barajas in the 1100 block West Baseline Street.

All three men were involved in separate child pornography investigations, the Police Department stated in a news release.

The search warrants resulted in evidence of child pornography possession and distribution, according to the Police Department.

Combined, detectives said they found more than 1,000 graphic images and videos depicting small children and underage teenagers engaging in sexual acts with adults.

Espinoza Jr., 20, Gonzales, 40, and Barajas, 22, were all arrested without incident and booked in local jail facilities.

<https://ktla.com/news/local-news/3-suspected-of-possessing-and-distributing-child-porn-arrested-in-san-bernardino/>

Monroe man arrested for possession of child pornography

NEWS LOCAL

JULY 2, 2022

A 33-year-old Monroe man is under arrest on suspicion of possession of child pornography.

According to a news release, Monroe Police, the Green County Sheriff's Office, and the Wisconsin Department of Justice – Division of Criminal Investigation Agents executed a search warrant on a residence on the 700 block of 10th Avenue just after 7:00 last Thursday morning.

The search resulted in the seizure of child pornography and the arrest of Juan Carlos Martinez Rodriquez.

Martinez Rodriquez is currently being held at the Green County Jail pending an initial court appearance on a charge of possession of child pornography.

<https://www.wclo.com/2022/07/02/monroe-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

PCSO Computer Crimes Unit charges five for possession of child pornography

Media Contact: Alicia Manautou, PIO
MAR 3, 2022

Detectives from the Polk County Sheriff's Office Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) charged five suspects for possession of child pornography after receiving tips from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children (NCMEC) that the suspects were possibly transmitting or downloading the harmful images and videos. Detectives served search warrants at the five suspects' houses and seized all of their digital devices for further analysis. Each suspect faces additional charges if more illegal content is found.

"We are thankful for our partnership with NCMEC. By combining our resources, we are able to take criminals who prey on our children off the street. Please, if you see something while you are online or on mobile apps, say something. Contact your local law enforcement agency or go to NCMEC's CyberTipline at <https://report.cybertip.org/> to report suspicious online activity." – Grady Judd, Sheriff

29-year-old Kevin Hairston of Lakeland was arrested and charged with one count promoting a sexual performance by a child (F2), and 10 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found 10 images and videos of children as young as 2-years-old being sexually battered. Hairston told detectives that over the last couple of years he has actively searched for child pornography online. He is being held in the Polk County Jail on \$55,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

19-year-old Felipe Ortiz of Bartow was arrested and charged with six counts of possession of child pornography (F3) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found images of children as young as 10-years-old being sexually battered. He is being held in the Polk County Jail on \$60,000 bond (\$10,000 per charge).

21-year-old Deamontavese Sanders of Lakeland was arrested and charged with one count promoting a sexual performance by a child (F2), and two counts of possession of child pornography (F3) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found two images and videos of children as young as 7-years-old being sexually battered. Sanders told detectives that in addition to using Discord, he has shared child pornography on Kik. He told detectives he is employed at Harvey's

Supermarket (1305 Ariana St. W.) in Lakeland. Sanders was released after paying a \$10,000 bond.

18-year-old Juan Valdez of Haines City was arrested and charged with one count transmission of child pornography (F2), and 200 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found 200 images and videos of children as young as 2-years-old being sexually battered. Valdez told detectives that he has been viewing child pornography since he was a freshman in high school and is currently a senior at Ridge Community High School. He was transported to the Juvenile Assessment Center.

Additionally, detectives obtained a warrant for the arrest of 39-year-old Jianchai Chen of Winter Haven. Chen is charged with one count transmission of child pornography (F2), and 132 counts of enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found 132 images and videos of children as young as 5-years-old being sexually battered. Chen is currently in China where he lives part time with his wife and children. When in the United States, he works at Lucky Wok restaurant in Lake Wales.

The images did not appear to depict local Polk County children, but the investigation is ongoing to identify them.

The felony child porn charges are upgraded (enhanced) if the suspect possesses 10 or more images of child pornography and at least one image contains any of the following criteria:

- Image depicts a child younger than the age of 5
- Image depicts sadomasochistic abuse of a child
- Image depicts sexual battery of a child
- Image depicts sexual bestiality involving a child
- Any movie involving a child

<https://www.polksheriff.org/news-investigations/polk-county-news/2022/03/03/pcso-computer-crimes-unit-charge-five-for-possession-of-child-pornography?fbclid=IwAR3S1wBEyPePxiBI9Q1WHL02uL98j-LTzn2YeOeIUF-0UJbL2jS2L7UieG0>

'Here they are again': 2 Polk County men accused of child porn possession for second time

by: Rachel Tucker

Posted: Oct 19, 2022

POLK COUNTY, Fla. (WFLA) — The Polk County Sheriff's Office said two men arrested in an alleged child pornography bust were previously convicted of the same crime.

According to a release from the sheriff's office, four men and a teenage boy were accused of having child porn on their electronic devices.

Two of the men – 32-year-old Ryan Murray from Lakeland and 38-year-old Eric Lewis from Davenport – previously served time for the same crime. Murray was convicted in 2014 and spent seven years in Florida State Prison. Lewis was convicted in 2015 and spent six months in jail, with 53 months of probation.

"Two of these men have already served time in prison and jail for possession of child pornography," Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd said, "Here they are again, actively participating in the abusive child pornography industry—fueling the current and future sexual abuse of young children."

PCSO said the suspects were arrested on the following charges:

Timothy Ahearn, 64, from Lakeland: Possession of child pornography (141 counts, enhanced)

Ryan Murray, 32, from Lakeland: Possession of child pornography and promoting sexual performance by a child

Eric Lewis, 38, from Davenport: Possession of child pornography (37 counts, enhanced), possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia

Judiel Gonzalez, 61, from Lakeland: Possession of child pornography (15 Counts, enhanced), possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia

A 16-year-old from Haines City was charged with possession of child pornography (36 counts, enhanced)

The sheriff's office said detectives seized the suspects' electronic devices and they could be charged with additional crimes depending on what they find.

“We will do everything we can to make sure these deviant suspects are held accountable for their crimes,” Judd said. “My message is simple: if you download, trade, create, or share child pornography in Polk County, we will lock you up.”

<https://www.wfla.com/news/polk-county/here-they-are-again-2-polk-county-men-accused-of-child-porn-possession-for-second-time/>

A Pittsfield man accused of child rape and other charges is being held without bail

By Amanda Burke, The Berkshire Eagle
Feb 23, 2022

PITTSFIELD — A city man accused of several child sexual crimes has been ordered held without the right to bail before trial.

Justin Benoit, 36, of Pittsfield, pleaded not guilty in Central Berkshire District Court on Feb. 16 to charges of rape of a child with force, posing a child for sexual photographs and possession of child pornography.

Judge Paul Smyth approved a request from Assistant District Attorney Stephanie Ilberg to hold Benoit in custody while his case is pending in the courts.

The police report associated with the investigation is sealed because it contains the names of juvenile victims, according to court documents.

The crimes Benoit is accused of committing occurred Sept. 7, 2021, and Feb. 15 of this year, court files show. He was arrested Feb. 15, and is being held at the Berkshire County Jail and House of Correction.

He is due back in court for a status hearing March 16.

https://www.berkshireeagle.com/crime/pittsfield-man-accused-of-child-rape-pornography-held-without-bail/article_33d1466a-94e0-11ec-a088-4f48ea3791de.html

Georgia man sentenced to six years in federal prison on child porn charges

A Georgia man has been sentenced to serve more than six years in federal prison after he admitted possessing hundreds of images of child pornography.

March 21, 2022

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — A Georgia man has been sentenced to serve more than six years in federal prison after he admitted possessing hundreds of images of child pornography.

Justin Bryan, 34, of Hephzibah, pleaded guilty to possession of child pornography and was sentenced Wednesday to serve six years and eight months in prison followed by 15 years of supervised release, according to online court records. The judge also ordered Bryan to pay \$18,000 in restitution to victims and to register as a sex offender when he gets out of prison.

“This sentence demonstrates the determination of the FBI and U.S. Attorney’s Office to find those who prey on children in our communities and bring them to justice,” said Philip Wislar, acting head of the FBI office in Atlanta. “Our message to these predators is you cannot hide behind the ‘anonymity’ of the internet.”

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a tip in December 2020 about online child pornography images and notified the FBI. Agents arrested Bryan and seized multiple electronic devices containing hundreds of videos and images of child pornography, prosecutors said in a news release.

“Each time an image of sexual exploitation is shared on the internet, a vulnerable child is revictimized,” U.S. Attorney David Estes said in the release.

<https://www.wjcl.com/article/historic-moon-mission-concludes-splashdown-orion-capsule/42208194>

Sullivan man arrested for distribution of child pornography

By: Matt Coutu

Apr 7, 2022

SULLIVAN, Ind. (WTWO/WAWV) – A Sullivan man was arrested for the possession and distribution of child pornography on Thursday.

According to Indiana State Police, the investigation by the Indiana State Police ICAC began in November of 2021 when a cyber tip was received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

That tip along with an extensive investigation resulted in search warrants being served at the home of Justin Falconbury, 41 of Sullivan.

Falconbury was arrested and transported to the Sullivan County Jail for the following charges:

One Count of Possession of Child Pornography, Level 5 Felony

One Count of Distribution of Child Pornography, Level 5 Felony

Anyone having any information related to crimes against children is encouraged to contact their local law enforcement agency or visit the NCMEC website at <http://www.missingkids.com/home> and find the link to make a CYBERTIPLINE report.

<https://www.mywabashvalley.com/news/local-news/sullivan-man-arrested-for-distribution-of-child-pornography/>

MARRIED COUPLE ARRESTED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY - JOLIET TOWNSHIP

Posted by Kathy on February 1, 2022

The Will County Sheriff's Office is announcing the arrest of Justin J. Russell, age 33, and Lauren L. Russell, age 27, of 24444 W. Kipling Court in Joliet regarding child pornography charges.

On December 16, 2021, Sheriff's detectives received a cyber-tip from the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The tip was transferred to the Sheriff's Office once it was discovered that the potential suspects lived in Will County jurisdiction.

Once Sheriff's detectives received the information, they began a thorough investigation involving Justin and Lauren Russell sharing and uploading multiple images and videos of child pornography. Detectives secured a search warrant on January 11, 2022 and executed the warrant at the Russell residence the next day. Electronic devices and additional evidence was seized for forensic examination. The Russell's were at the residence at the time the warrant was served. They both refused to speak with detectives and exercised their rights to an attorney.

Upon obtaining several of the forensic analysis results and processing evidence, an arrest warrant was granted on January 28, 2022. The Sheriff's Warrant Division picked up Mr. and Mrs. Russell today at their home. They were taken into custody and booked into the Adult Detention Facility, both charged with three counts of child pornography. Each has a \$5million bond (10%).

This case remains open as further evidence is being examined and processed.

<http://www.willcosheriff.org/pressreleases/?title=married-couple-arrested-for-child-pornography-joliet-township&more=1>

HPD officer accused of possessing child pornography gets \$100K bond

By Courtney Fischer and Brooke Taylor
16, 2022

Wednesday, March

HOUSTON, Texas (KTRK) -- A Houston police officer accused of possessing child pornography appeared in court before a judge overnight.

Officer Justin Weber, 29, didn't say much when he appeared in court around 1 a.m. Wednesday. He said yes -- he wanted a court-appointed lawyer -- before a judge gave him a \$100,000 bond.

He was given a \$20,000 bond for five counts of child pornography, bringing the bond total to \$100,000.

Weber's house in Spring was raided a week ago, on March 9, with a search warrant. However, the Houston Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children's Unit said it started investigating allegations of possession of child pornography two months ago, on Jan. 17.

Weber was arrested on Tuesday. HPD said he has since been relieved of duty.

He was sworn in as an officer in December 2016 and was assigned to the air support division.

According to court paperwork, the investigation began after Yahoo and Snapchat flagged pornography images of girls between 8 and 13 years old, uploaded and shared by Weber.

Charging documents state that Weber was traced to the accounts through an IP address. Both Yahoo and Snapchat were served warrants, giving the explicit pictures to the police.

Investigators say he admitted to being the only person to have access to those accounts.

"When presented with the images charged in these warrants, the defendant initially denied ever seeing the images, but then later confessed he did recognize the child

pornography," an official said in court.

"Actually, we were kind of excited to have HPD officers on the block. Feel a little more secure," Weber's neighbor, Stefan Ehrhardt, said. "What happened today, there's a school across the street, it doesn't leave a good feeling with you."

The judge said as part of Weber's bond, he cannot have any contact with or come within 1,000 feet of any daycares or schools, no contact with kids under 17 and no access to the internet.

<https://abc13.com/justin-weber-arrested-houston-police-officer-child-porn-accused-of-possessing-pornography-hpd/11655509/>

Couple charged in child porn case went back to living at day care, warrant says

By Pat Reavy, KSL.com | Posted - Jan. 4, 2022 at 11:28 a.m.

SANDY — A Sandy couple accused of accessing child pornography while working at a home day care are in more trouble for returning to the same home, according to police.

Kadence Pinder, 24, and Marcus Strebel, 29, were charged in February with numerous counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony. Pinder was charged with 15 counts and Strebel with 10, according to court records. Both lived at 9194 Benson Way and worked at the attached day care that is operated by Strebel's mother.

As part of the conditions of their pretrial release, they were not allowed to access the internet, have contact with anyone under 18, and could not be in any place where children were known to be — which included the house on Benson Way.

But according to newly released court documents, both are suspected of violating the conditions of their pretrial release.

In July, an investigator with the Internet Crimes Against Children task force received a tip from Google that suspected child pornography was uploaded to an account registered to an address at 9194 Benson Way, according to arrest warrants for both Pinder and Strebel.

Based on that tip, investigators kept surveillance on the Sandy home in November and observed both "Strebel and Pinder at the residence during business hours for the day care," according to the arrest warrants.

On Dec. 6, members of the task force served a search warrant on the home. Investigators learned that both had been living there and had been accessing the internet, the warrants state.

During the execution of the search warrant, suspected methamphetamine was also found and the Salt Lake County Health Department closed the house to occupancy until it could be decontaminated. Sandy police stated the meth was discovered in the living area of the house, away from the day care and not in an area where the day care

children would typically be. The day care was providing for fewer than five children, according to the health department.

Strebel had agreed to plead guilty to his original charges in November. But during a court hearing on Dec. 20, after he was arrested, prosecutors stated that they did not wish to go forward with the plea at that time, although the defense said it wanted to, according to court records. The hearing was continued until Jan. 18.

Pinder's next hearing is scheduled for Jan. 21.

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50322044/couple-charged-in-child-porn-case-went-back-to-living-at-day-care-warrant-says#:~:text=Kadence%20Pinder%2C%2024%2C%20and%20Marcus,10%2C%20according%20to%20court%20records.>

Valley Head man charged with possession of child pornography

By WAFF 48 Digital Staff

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VALLEY HEAD, Ala. (WAFF) - A Valley Head man was arrested on a child pornography charge in DeKalb County.

According to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, investigators with the DeKalb County Criminal Investigations Unit received a tip from Internet Crimes Against Children and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children through the FBI of obscene material being downloaded at a home on County Road 137.

Evidence was found after authorities with the DeKalb County Criminal Investigations Unit along with the DeKalb County Special Response Team searched the home. Deputies say, Kael Claxton, 38, of Valley Head, was charged with possession of child pornography.

"We have been seeing so much crime against our children, it is heartbreaking. Our children are the most vulnerable beings on the planet and for someone to think that this type of behavior is ok, is just pure evil," said DeKalb County Sheriff Nick Welden. "Whether sexual, emotional or physical abuse, the nightmare never ends for the victim or their families."

This is an ongoing investigation and more charges against Claxton are pending.

<https://www.waff.com/2022/02/09/valley-head-man-charged-with-possession-child-pornography/>

Bedford man arrested on child pornography charges

March 11, 2022

Bedford – A Bedford man was arrested Thursday on five counts of possession of child pornography.

Police arrested 29-year-old Kameron Freeman.

According to a probable cause affidavit on December 12, 2021, as part of the Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force. Bedford Police received a cyber tip of child pornography reported by MediaLab/Kik. The tip showed Kik user “freemanAASLT” had several child pornography videos associated with the account. The videos showed juveniles engaged in sexual intercourse or other sexual acts. The juveniles involved appeared to be females between the ages of 8 and 14-year-old, either partially or fully nude. The “freemanAASLT” was associated with a Samsung phone and the account belonged to Kameron Freeman who lived in the 1110 block of 13th Street in Bedford.

Police interviewed Freeman who said he had never heard of the mobile app called “Kik”. He was then asked if he owned a Samsung phone he said yes. Freeman denied having the screen name “Freeman AASLT”.

Freeman was then asked if he was ever in the Army and at first he said no then replied “he forgot” and said yes.

According to the police. Freeman was stationed at Fort Campbell in Kentucky and his Facebook account also lists “US Army Fort Campbell” as a former employer. Fort Campbell is home to the 101st Airborne Division, as well as Sabalauski Air Assault School. The 101st Airborne Division is commonly abbreviated as “AASLT”.

Investigator then arrested Freeman.

<https://www.wbiw.com/2022/03/11/bedford-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-2/>

Safford man jailed on child pornography charges after Homeland Security investigation

June 2, 2022 - by News Director

By Jon Johnson

SAFFORD – Karl Newton, 51, of Safford has been charged with 18 separate counts of sexual exploitation of a minor through possession and/or sale of visuals that include minors performing sexual acts.

If convicted of each charge, he faces a possible sentence of more than 300 years in prison.

Newton was taken into custody by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) on May 25 after a lengthy investigation. Upon the issue of the warrant for Newton's arrest, his bond was set at \$250,000.

The initial investigation began on Dec. 9, 2020, when investigators received a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) Cybertipline Report regarding eight files suspected to be child pornography uploaded to the Kik Messenger application. Two separate uploads took place on Nov. 6, 2020, and Nov. 10, 2020. The files included videos of adults sexually assaulting pre-pubescent children as well as children having sex with each other.

HSI tracked down the associated email address for the account that uploaded the material and identified the user as Newton.

Special Agents then were approved for a search warrant on March 30, 2021, that compelled the owners of Kik Messenger, Medialab AI Inc., to produce all records pertaining to Newton's account. According to the Department of Homeland Security's investigation, out of 3,674 media files examined in the data dump of Newton's account by Kik on April 5, 2021, 165 depicted child sex abuse material (CSAM). The report listed there were 51 duplicate files and 114 unique files. The files include a number of videos depicting sexual assault on juveniles.

The findings prompted HSI Special Agents to serve a federal search warrant on the residence on W. 18th Street where Newton was residing in Safford on Aug. 5, 2021. Eight HSI Special Agents and two Safford Police detectives participated in the raid, which resulted in the seizure of several electronic pieces of equipment and the interrogation of Newton. Additional images and videos of child pornography were

located on a laptop and cell phone reportedly owned by Newton, with some victims possibly as young as 6 months old.

During questioning, Newton allegedly admitted to downloading the CSAM but said he did so because he was bored and it gave him "something to do." He reportedly said he played along with others who sent him items and wanted him to role play.

However, the investigation showed Newton also disseminated CSAM to others, sending videos to multiple other people.

Newton was taken into custody on May 25 and had his initial appearance the following day. He is currently incarcerated in the Graham County Adult Detention Facility awaiting adjudication on his charges.

<https://gilaherald.com/safford-man-jailed-on-child-pornography-charges-after-homeland-security-investigation/>

Wilson man faces child porn charges

By From staff reports The Wilson Times
2022-05-04

Police say they caught a Wilson man with child pornography after receiving a federal cyber tipline report.

Wilson police charged Kashawn Demaine Lewis, 32, with 15 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor on Sunday after the March 31 tip flagged child pornography content, according to a release from Sgt. Eric McInerny, public information officer for the Wilson Police Department.

McInerny said officers acquired a search warrant for the flagged account and identified Lewis as the user.

Police seized numerous photographs and videos depicting child pornography during the investigation, McInerny said.

Wilson police worked with the federal Department of Homeland Security and the N.C. State Bureau of Investigations to charge Lewis.

Lewis was given a \$150,000 secured bond and has been released from the Wilson County Detention Center.

McInerny said police are still investigating the case.

<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/2591444404066/wilson-man-faces-child-porn-charges>

Shreveport Woman Arrested for Indecent Behavior With Juvenile

Rueben Wright Published: June 30, 2022

Caddo detectives arrested a Shreveport woman for indecent behavior with a juvenile on Tuesday.

On Saturday, June 25, CPSO Cyber Crimes Detective Thomas Lites was alerted by the Louisiana Bureau of Investigations about possible pornography using a social media app. Det. Lites investigated and discovered that Katasha Prier, 28, sent nude photos of herself to a teenager under the age of 17.

On June 28, Katasha Prier was arrested and booked into Caddo Correctional Center.

<https://710keel.com/shreveport-woman-arrested-for-indecent-behavior-with-juvenile/>

Hyrum man charged with sharing child pornography through Facebook

Written by Will Feelright
March 8, 2022

LOGAN — A 28-year-old Hyrum man has appeared before a judge for the first time on charges of sharing child pornography. Kaw T. Blay was arraigned on criminal charges after a warrant was filed for his arrest.

Blay was arraigned during a virtual hearing in 1st District Court Monday morning, appearing by web conference with his attorney. He was previously charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony.

According to the arrest affidavit, Logan City Police officers received a cybertip last July from the Utah Attorney General's Office. It alleged that several Facebook users were sharing child pornography through the social media site. The file was a video of a 5 to 8-year-old girl exposing herself.

Police were able to identify Blay and the other users involved from their Facebook profiles. They were reportedly all friends and co-workers. The other suspects were arrested and charged previously.

According to court records, Blay is currently out of jail on \$30,000 bail. He could face up to 15 years in prison, if convicted.

<https://www.cachevalleydaily.com/news/archive/2022/03/08/hyrum-man-charged-with-sharing-child-pornography-through-facebook/#.YjTKoOrMKUk>

Goose Creek man arrested on charges related to child pornography

By Dylan Leatherwood Sep. 24, 2022

GOOSE CREEK, S.C. (WCSC) - Authorities say a man has been arrested after possessing files of child sexual abuse material.

Keith Sheridan Woodward, 48, is charged with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree.

Investigators received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which led them to Woodward. From there, they found Woodward in possession of files that contained child sexual abuse material, a news release stated.

Woodward was arrested on Friday by the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Goose Creek Police Department.

This case will be prosecuted by the South Carolina Attorney General's Office.

The Attorney General's Office and Charleston County Sherriff's Office assisted in the investigation.

<https://www.live5news.com/2022/09/23/goose-creek-man-arrested-charges-related-child-pornography/>

Couple arrested, charged with sexual exploitation of minor, obstruction of justice

By Amanda Denise and Jordan Honeycutt
21st 2022

Thursday, April

BEAUFORT, Carteret County — A special unit of the Carteret County Sheriff's Office aims to keep children safe from sexual predators.

The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) made two more arrests this week. Kelli Wells Harper, 28, of Beaufort was charged with one count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and possession of materials. Equipment was also seized by police.

Harper was jailed in the Carteret County Detention Center under a \$500,000 bond. Kristophor James Allen Laursen, 27, of Beaufort, was charged with felony obstruction of justice in relation to the crimes committed by Harper, officials said.

Laurens was jailed in the Carteret County Detention Center under a \$250,000 bond. Detective Bishop said the ICAC unit helps protect kids from sexual exploitation. He said many people will try to exploit minor children, but if they do, they will face consequences.

The Carteret County Sheriff's Office is determined to take child predators off the street.

"The goal behind this is to focus on internet crimes against children, such as child sexual exploitation, child pornography, child sex trafficking and things of that nature," Carteret County Sheriff's Office Detective Cory Bishop said.

Detective Bishop said parents and children should be cautious while on the internet and social networking sites.

He said to protect our children, we have to monitor them because they could be talking to a child predator and not know it.

"Do your research and look at different applications and resources that allow you to monitor what your child is doing, just as you would watch your child if they're out in public, make sure you're watching them while they're on the internet and dealing with social networking sites," Bishop said.

He said although he does not know the exact number of arrests made from ICAC, he can say the unit has led to many charges and convictions since it was created.

“We are out here, we are looking for people who choose to sexually exploit our children and if you’re a person that chooses that path, just know that there are people like us that are actively investigating and looking for that type of behavior,” Bishop said.

Detective Bishop has been a part of ICAC for about three years and he’s dedicated to protecting our children.

Again, Detective Bishop encourages parents to monitor who they’re children are talking to on the internet to prevent the possibility of being exploited.

<https://wcti12.com/news/local/couple-arrested-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-of-minor-obstruction-of-justice>

Lawrence Man Charged With Possession Of Child Porn: Prosecutor

Kelly Skeel, 45, was taken into custody on Tuesday, Mercer County Prosecutor said.

Sarah Salvadore, Patch Staff
26, 2022

Posted Wed, Jan

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ — A Lawrence Township man has been charged with possession of child pornography, Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri said Wednesday.

Kelly Skeel, 45, is charged with second-degree possession of child pornography. The prosecutor's office has filed a motion to detain Skeel pending trial, Onofri said.

Detectives with the prosecutor's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit recently received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that someone in Mercer County was uploading child pornography, Onofri said.

An investigation identified Skeel as a subject. On Tuesday, Jan. 25, detectives with ICAC executed a search warrant at Skeel's residence. He was detained without incident and several electronics were seized, Onofri said.

Forensic previews conducted on multiple DVDs found at the home along with further investigation revealed thousands of images and videos of child pornography and erotica, authorities said.

Anyone with information about suspected improper contact by unknown persons communicating with children via the internet or possible exploitation or sexual abuse of children are asked to contact the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit at 609-989-6568 or the New Jersey Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force tip line at 888-648-6007.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/lawrenceville/lawrence-man-charged-possession-child-porn-prosecutor>

Veneta Elementary employee charged with child sexual abuse for posting child pornography

Megan Banta Register-Guard Aug 12, 2022

Prosecutors say a Fern Ridge School District employee used the internet to send child pornography "numerous" times and also created and uploaded pornographic content of children.

Kelsey Boren, a 31-year-old Veneta resident, was arraigned Friday on two first-degree counts of encouraging child sexual abuse and one count of using a child in a display of sexually explicit content.

County detectives received information Thursday from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force indicating Boren had been uploading child pornography to the internet, according to a release from the Lane County Sheriff's Office.

Detectives served a search warrant at 8 p.m. the same day they received the tip for Boren's home in Veneta and her travel trailer, according to court documents.

The press release and a probable cause affidavit say detectives and deputies discovered evidence Boren has "utilized the internet on numerous occasions to distribute and exchange pornographic images of children" and "engaged in creating child pornography and uploaded it to the internet."

Boren is an instructional assistant at Veneta Elementary, court documents say. Police have not identified any children Boren interacted with through her jobs as victims at this point, according to the press release.

Police said Fern Ridge School District is "aware of the allegations and is cooperating with investigators."

People with information about the case or other potential victims can contact Lane County Sheriff's Office detectives at 541-682-4150 opt. 1.

<https://www.registerguard.com/story/news/2022/08/12/kelsey-boren-veneta-elementary-school-fern-ridge-schools-child-sexual-abuse-pornography-internet/65402414007/>

River Bend man facing child porn charges

By WITN Web Team
16, 2022

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RIVER BEND, N.C. (WITN) - A River Bend man is accused of distributing and possessing child pornography.

Craven County deputies said on Wednesday they searched a home at Quarterdeck Townes in River Bend after getting a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Deputies said they found evidence that identified Kendrick Jensen was responsible for distributing multiple files with child porn. They said some of the children were as young as three years old.

The 28-year-old Jensen is charged with five felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and seven felony counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

<https://www.witn.com/2022/06/16/river-bern-man-facing-child-porn-charges/>

Two Florida Men Busted By Computer Crimes Detectives For Child Porn

Liz
Shultz
21, 2022

April

POLK COUNTY, FL. – Detectives from the Polk County Sheriff’s Office Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) arrested two suspects for possession of child pornography after receiving tips from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children (NCMEC) that the suspects were possibly transmitting or downloading the harmful images and videos.

Detectives served search warrants at the suspects’ houses and seized all of their digital devices for further analysis. The images did not appear to depict local Polk County children, but the investigation is ongoing to identify them.

During the more extensive forensic analysis of their devices, it’s possible the suspects will be additionally charged if more images and/or videos are found.

“We partner with NCMEC to keep children safe, but it’s those who are online, who see something and say something, who are the real front line of defense. We rely on you to send tips to law enforcement and NCMEC so that we can follow up and conduct an investigation.

Please, if you see something while you are online or on mobile apps, say something. Contact your local law enforcement agency or go to NCMEC’s CyberTipline at <https://report.cybertip.org/> to report suspicious online activity” said Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd.

60-year-old Kenneth Lester Kaufman of Lake Wales was arrested and charged with two counts possession of child pornography (F3) after detectives served a search warrant at his home following up on a NCMEC tip.

During a preview of his electronic devices, detectives found two images depicting child pornography of females between the ages of 9 and 12 years old. He told detectives he is an IT manager for Auvidatel, Inc. in Winter Haven.

He was booked into the Polk County Jail on April 18, 2022, and is being held in lieu of \$30,000 bond (\$15,000 per charge). His criminal history includes previous arrests for burglary with assault, and non-payment of child support.

18-year-old Calvert Green of Mulberry was arrested and charged with one count possession of child pornography (F3) after detectives served a search warrant at his home following up on a NCMEC tip.

During a preview of his electronic devices, detectives found a video depicting a child between the ages of 10 and 12 years old being sexually battered by an adult. He was booked into the Polk County Jail on April 20, 2022, and is awaiting a first appearance hearing.

<https://www.tampafp.com/two-florida-men-busted-by-computer-crimes-detectives-for-child-porn/>

School bus driver in St. Lucie County jailed on child pornography-related charges

Will Greenlee Treasure Coast Newspapers
Feb. 16, 2022

PORT ST. LUCIE — A school bus driver for St. Lucie Public Schools was arrested Tuesday by Port St. Lucie police on 10 child pornography-related charges, a news release states.

Kenneth Knotts, 56, was arrested on five counts each of possession of child pornography and transmission of child pornography by an electronic device.

“At this time, there is no evidence to suggest that any local children were victims of Knotts,” police stated. “St. Lucie Public Schools immediately removed Knotts from his duties and he will be recommended for termination.”

Investigators executed a search warrant at his home in the 1900 block of Southwest Lennox Street.

Police began investigating after a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about a person uploading child pornography to a server.

Detectives identified the person as Knotts.

“A review of the digital content uploaded to the online server revealed five sexually explicit images of children,” police stated.

Knotts was held Wednesday in the St. Lucie County jail on \$75,000 bond, according to the St. Lucie County Sheriff’s Office.

<https://www.tcpalm.com/story/news/crime/st-lucie-county/2022/02/16/kenneth-knotts-56-arrested-case/6815636001/>

Elkton man arrested on 8 counts of child pornography

By Jane Bellmyer Nov 11, 2022

ELKTON — An Elkton man is free after posting a \$10,000 bond after his arrest on eight counts of possession of child pornography, according to Maryland State Police.

Kevin Joseph Ardoin, 43, was arrested last week after investigators from the Crimes Against Children Task Force found evidence that Ardoin allegedly had possession of child pornography on an electronic device in his home. The investigation began in September and culminated Nov. 4 with the execution of a search warrant at his North Street apartment.

Arrested at that time, Ardoin posted bail and is expected to go to trial on the eight misdemeanor charges Dec. 19 in Cecil County Circuit Court.

https://www.cecildaily.com/news/elkton-man-arrested-on-8-counts-of-child-pornography/article_31432883-6605-5848-9087-44e638bd7844.html

Sentenced: Encouraging child sex abuse sends local man to prison

The Chronicle Feb 1, 2022

A St. Helens man has been sentenced to several years in prison following a two-state law enforcement investigation into child pornography.

A Columbia County Circuit Court judge has sentenced Kevin Collins, 29, of St. Helens to 16 years and 8 months in prison on charges of encouraging child sex abuse stemming from a St. Helens Police Department investigation into child pornography.

During the investigation, it was determined that Collins possessed between half a million to one million images and videos of child pornography.

The sentencing conducted on Jan. 21, concludes the initial arrest of Collins by St. Helens officers on Thursday, March 11, 2021. Collins was arrested on charges of child sex abuse stemming from a multi-state investigation involving the St. Helens Police Department, Indiana State Police, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Collins was lodged at Columbia County Jail on 15 counts of Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, 20 counts of Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse in the Second Degree, and one count of Solicitation for the Sexual Assault of an Animal.

Collins' arrest concludes an investigation that began with the Indiana State Police and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. After it was determined that the suspect resided in the St. Helens area, the St. Helens Police Department was contacted.

Officers executed a search warrant at Collins' residence in the 2300 block of Columbia Boulevard where multiple items of evidence were seized. After an electronic analysis by the Oregon Department of Justice, thousands of images and videos of child pornography were located.

To report a potential child-related sex crime, call the St. Helens Police Department at 503-397-1521.

https://www.thechronicleonline.com/news/sentenced-encouraging-child-sex-abuse-sends-local-man-to-prison/article_29c995ca-7d5a-11ec-be78-6b38fc3298a2.html

Dickinson man charged with 26 felonies, videoing undressed child through window

Kevin A. Dvorak, 35, of Dickinson faces 26 felony charges and is being held on \$100,000 bond for allegedly possessing child pornography. He is also accused of peering into a bedroom window to watch.

By Jason R. O'Day September 21, 2022

DICKINSON — Kevin A. Dvorak, 35, has been arrested and charged with 25 separate counts of possession of materials prohibited and one count of surreptitious intrusion related to minors. All are class C felonies under North Dakota Century Code.

According to a court document obtained by The Dickinson Press, on Sept. 2, Dvorak was allegedly found to be in possession of 25 unique videos of adults sexually violating prepubescent children. The document also alleges that on Nov. 11, 2021, Dvorak “surreptitiously gazed, stared or peeped into the bedroom window of a minor child” and recorded video footage while the child was undressed.

Dvorak is tentatively scheduled to appear in court before Southwest District Judge James Gion for an arraignment and preliminary hearing at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 17. He remains in custody at the Southwest Multi-County Correctional Center, where he is being held on \$100,000 bond.

Stark County State's Attorney Amanda Engelstad will lead the prosecution in the case at trial.

If Dvorak is found guilty of these offenses, he could face a sentence of 5 years per felony for a combined sentence of up to 125 years in prison. Upon release, Dvorak would be required to register as a sex offender.

<https://www.thedickinsonpress.com/news/dickinson-man-charged-with-26-felonies-videoing-undressed-child-through-window>

Burlington County Man Charged With Possession Of Child Pornography: Prosecutor

Jon Craig
02/24/2022

A 53-year-old man from Burlington County has been arrested in possession of a large quantify of child pornography, authorities said.

Kevin Gaffney, of Marlton, was arrested on Wednesday, Feb. 23 and charged with child endangerment, they said.

Gaffney was taken into custody at his residence following a warranted search. according to Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina and Evesham Township Acting Police Chief Walter Miller.

Multiple electronic devices were seized and will be examined by members of the BCPO High Tech Crimes Unit, they said in a statement.

The investigation began after the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit received information regarding Gaffney's online activities from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The investigation revealed that in addition to keeping Child Sexual Abuse Material on the external drive, Gaffney also used an online data storage system to maintain CSAM files.

The investigation was conducted by the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit and the Evesham Township Police Department, with assistance from US Homeland Security Investigations – Cherry Hill Office, and the New Jersey State Police. The lead investigator was Evesham Township Detective Christopher DeFrancesco, who is assigned to the High-Tech Crimes Unit as a Task Force Officer.

He was being held in the Burlington County Jail.
Gaffney will be prosecuted by Assistant Prosecutor Jennifer Weiler.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/burlington/news/burlington-county-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography-prosecutor/826696/>

Benton man arrested in 12 counts of possessing sexually explicit material with a child

BY SHELLI POOLE
FEBRUARY 12, 2022

On the morning of Thursday, Feb 10, 2022, Detectives with the Saline County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force arrested a Benton man on charges of possession of child pornography.

Kevin Dean McIntyre, age 43, was taken into custody without incident and charged with 12 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, a Class C Felony (Arkansas State Statute 5-27-602). McIntyre has been the suspect in an ongoing investigation involving the possession of child pornography through an online service provider.

Sheriff Rodney Wright wants the citizens of Saline County to know that the Saline County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to protecting children online and investigating crimes committed against children which are facilitated by the Internet and computer usage.

<https://www.mysaline.com/mcintyre-child-p0rn-arrest/>

Demorest man charged with sexual exploitation of children

By Staff Report

August 22, 2022

A Demorest man is out of jail on bond after being arrested and charged in a child pornography case. A Habersham County internet crimes investigator arrested Kevin Mitchell Owens on August 17 after receiving a cyber tip, jail records show.

Owens is accused of possessing material that appeared to show a minor engaging in a sexual act. Th Habersham County Sheriff's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force was assigned the case on August 11. On August 17, officials took the 48-year-old Owens into custody.

Owens is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of children. He was released from jail on an \$11,100 bond.

<https://nowhabersham.com/demorest-man-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-of-children/>

Perth Amboy man charged with manufacturing child pornography

Suzanne Russell

July 1, 2022

PERTH AMBOY - A 21-year-old city man has been arrested in connection with allegedly possessing and manufacturing child pornography.

Kevin Roman-Quinones was arrested Thursday and charged with manufacturing child pornography, a first degree crime, and possession of more than 1,000 files of child pornography, a second degree crime, Middlesex County Prosecutor Yolanda Ciccone and Perth Amboy Police Chief Lawrence Cattano announced.

He is being held at the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center in North Brunswick pending a pre-trial Superior Court detention hearing.

Roman-Quinones was charged following a cyber tip from the New Jersey State Police and an investigation by Detectives Daniel Lojek and Kayla Hueston of the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Unit.

The investigation is continuing. Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Lojek at 732-745-5924 or Detective Hueston at 732-745-4268.

<https://sports.yahoo.com/perth-amboy-man-charged-manufacturing-185246607.html#:~:text=Kevin%20Roman%2DQuinones%20was%20arrested,Police%20Chief%20Lawrence%20Cattano%20announced.>

Ocean County Man Charged With Possession Of Child Pornography: Prosecutor

Jon Craig
06/09/2022

A 38-year-old man from Toms River has been arrested on child pornography charges, authorities said.

Kevin Wurtenberg was charged on Thursday, June 9 with possession of child pornography, according to Ocean County Prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer

This investigation was the result of referrals from the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The Task Force detected that a Verizon Wireless user was downloading images of child pornography from the internet, Billhimer said. An investigation by the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit identified a Verizon Wireless user with a Toms River address as the person downloading the images of child pornography, the prosecutor said.

On Thursday, detectives from the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit, United States Department of Homeland Security – Investigations Unit, and Toms River Township Police Department, made a warranted search on Wurtenberg's residence in Toms River.

Detectives seized two cell phones from the residence containing several hundred images of child pornography, Billhimer said.

Wurtenberg was arrested at his residence. Wurtenberg was processed at the Toms River Township Police Department, and taken to the Ocean County Jail where he was being held pending a detention hearing.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/ocean/news/ocean-county-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography-prosecutor/834700/>

64-year-old Falls Church man faces child pornography charges after police search his home

by 7News Staff September 14th, 2022

A 64-year-old Falls Church man is facing child pornography charges after a search of his residence produced evidence on multiple devices.

Falls Church Police arrested Kimball Bryant Winn on Sept. 9 on five counts of possession of child pornography. The arrest was the result of an Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigation by the police department and Virginia State Police.

Police say they received a cyber-tip about possible crimes involving Winn and child pornography.

During the execution of the search warrant at Winn's residence, multiple digital devices were forensically previewed and child pornography was located, police said. The investigation into the suspect's online activities is ongoing.

<https://wjla.com/news/local/64-year-old-falls-church-man-child-pornography-porn-charges-kimball-winn-children-police-search-home-online-virginia-dmv-nova-dc#:~:text=Falls%20Church%20Police%20arrested%20Kimball,department%20and%20Virginia%20State%20Police>

SWEET SPRINGS MAN ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

September 1, 2022

A 31-year-old Sweet Springs man was arrested on Wednesday, August 31, for four felony charges.

According to a probable cause statement, on January 3, the Western Missouri Cyber Crimes Task Force (WMCCTF) was notified by Cybertip that 36 child pornographic videos had been uploaded to an email used by Kody McNail. A WMCCTF officer conducted surveillance on McNail's house in July and August. On August 23, the officer applied for a search warrant for the residence. The officer then again conducted surveillance on the residence on August 29 and conducted a search of the premises.

On August 31, two detectives from the WMCCTF and the Saline County Sheriff's Department served a search warrant to McNail. McNail was arrested and charged with a felony for promoting child pornography and three counts of possession of child pornography. Bond is set at \$20,000 cash only. Additional charges are being reviewed by the Saline County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

No court proceeding have been scheduled at this point.

<https://www.kmmo.com/2022/09/01/sweet-springs-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Department of Justice
U.S. Attorney's Office
Northern District of Indiana

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 14, 2022

Tuesday,

Kouts Man Sentenced to 180 Months in Prison For Producing Child Pornography

HAMMOND – Kody Yednak, 21 years old, of Kouts, Indiana, was sentenced by United States District Court Judge Philip P. Simon on his plea of guilty to production of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Clifford D. Johnson.

Yednak received a sentence of 180 months imprisonment followed by a term of 2 years supervised release.

According to documents in the case, in January 2021, Yednak persuaded a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing child pornography. Later, in March 2021, Yednak persuaded a different minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing child pornography. The investigation revealed the minors were approximately 10 and 11 years old.

This case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigations with the assistance of the Indiana State Police. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jennifer Chang.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndin/pr/kouts-man-sentenced-180-months-prison>

Beardstown man arrested for possession of child porn

by WICS/WCCU Staff

Thursday, October 27th 2022

VIRGINIA, Ill. (WICS) — A Beardstown man was arrested for possession of child pornography.

Kyaw B. Tun, 37, was arrested on Tuesday.

Illinois State Police say there was an investigation in August of 2021 after learning Tun was distributing child pornography through an online platform.

Officials say Tun was arrested on a warrant by the Cass County Sheriff's Office and was taken to the Morgan County Jail.

We're told Tun is facing charges of possession of child pornography, a class 3 felony. Tun's bond was set at \$100,000.

<https://khqa.com/beardstown-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-porn>

19-YEAR-OLD CHARGED WITH CHILD PORN POSSESSION

WVUA 23 News

March 21, 2022

A Northport man is facing charges Monday after an investigation by the West Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force and the Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Investigators found probable cause to charge Ladarius Dejuan Jones, 19, with four counts of possession of child sex abuse material.

Jones was placed in the Tuscaloosa County Jail Monday, with bond set at \$60,000. Jones could be facing more charges as the investigation continues.

<https://www.wvua23.com/19-year-old-charged-with-child-porn-possession/>

Boardman police make arrest during child porn investigation

by: Joe Gorman

Posted: Aug 2, 2022

BOARDMAN, Ohio (WKBN) — A Red Fox Drive man is in the Mahoning County Jail after township police served a search warrant Tuesday at his home, investigating child pornography.

Lance Derrick, 35, was booked into the jail on a charge of pandering obscenity involving a minor. He is expected to be arraigned Thursday in Mahoning County Area Court in Boardman.

Derrick was taken into custody Tuesday morning after the warrant was served with help from the Mahoning County Sheriff's Office and the state Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

Township police Chief Todd Werth said the investigation began after police received a tip from BCI's Crimes Against Children Unit, which focuses on internet crimes where children are the victims.

<https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/boardman-police-make-arrest-during-child-porn-investigation/>

Kentucky man arrested on more than a dozen child pornography charges

By SHANNON STOWERS
March 16th 2022

Wednesday,

CARTER COUNTY, Ky. (WCHS) — A Carter County, Kentucky, man was arrested this week on more than a dozen child pornography charges.

Larry David Lewis, 37, was charged and arrested after an investigation where he was accused of distributing sexually explicit images online involving children, according to a news release from Kentucky State Police.

Lewis is charged with 12 counts of possessing matter portraying a minor under the age of 12 in sexual performance and one count of possessing matter portraying a minor over the age of 12 in a sexual performance.

Troopers said equipment used to facilitate the alleged crimes were seized during the execution of a search warrant on Tuesday and were sent to a state lab for examination. The investigation is ongoing.

<https://wchstv.com/news/local/kentucky-man-arrested-on-more-than-a-dozen-child-pornography-charges>

La. man accused of sextortion of child, evidence of more cases found

By Madison Remrey

Published: Aug. 29, 2022

FERRIDAY, La. (KNOE) - A Ferriday man has been arrested on multiple charges of sex crimes against a minor.

The Concordia Parish Cyber Crime Unit began an investigation on Aug. 18, 2022, into the sextortion of a 12-year-old. CPSO says the investigation began after they received a tip from National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

CPSO says the suspect was messaging the minor through Instagram and demanding lewd photos, threatening negative reactions if the demands were refused.

Detectives obtained an address based on information given by internet service providers and a search warrant was prepared.

Adams County Sheriff's Office assisted in executing the warrant, at which time numerous electronic devices were seized. CPSO says numerous files were recovered from these devices, including files of children engaged in sexual activities as well as evidence relative to additional sextortions.

The suspect, Larry Wesley, Jr., 19, of Ferriday, was arrested on the following charges:
Pornography involving juveniles, under age 13 (3 cts.)
Pornography involving juveniles (4 cts.)
Indecent behavior with juveniles

Extortion

This is an ongoing investigation and anyone with information can contact Detective Lipscomb at CPSO, ext. 400 or by submitting an anonymous tip online using the CPSO mobile app.

CPSO describes sextortion as "the threat to expose sexual images of a person, in order to make the person do something in return, usually resulting in the victim providing such material out of fear. It can occur by using actual photos of the victim, or by photoshopping the victim's face onto another person's body."

Sheriff Hendrick says he would like to remind parents to be mindful of what their children are doing while using devices capable of accessing the internet.

<https://www.knoe.com/2022/08/29/la-man-accused-sextortion-child-evidence-more-cases-found/>

Booking photo released of Howard County teacher arrested on child pornography charges

By CBS Baltimore Staff September 15, 2022 / 11:45 Am / CBS Baltimore

BALTIMORE -- Howard County Police on Friday released the mugshot of Lawrence Costella, a Howard County high school teacher arrested on child pornography charges.

Costella, a special education teacher at Atholton High School, was arrested Aug. 31 in Baltimore County, Principal Robert Motley said in a letter to the school community.

Costella was denied bail at a bond review Thursday in Baltimore County District Court. He's being held pending trial.

The 32-year-old is charged with three counts each of possession of child pornography and distribution of child pornography, according to court records.

Charging documents accuse Costella of sharing multiple images of prepubescent boys and girls displaying "graphic hardcore sexual abuse." Costella told investigators he had to share the content in a chat room to get the material he wanted.

He lives in Reisterstown, the records say. School officials said he was arrested in Baltimore County.

Detectives do not suspect Costella had any inappropriate contact with minors, Baltimore County Police said.

Costella has now been placed on administrative leave and is barred from school grounds, pending an investigation. He was in his second year at the school, officials said.

All HCPS teachers undergo a criminal background check, fingerprinting and reference check when they are hired, school officials said.

"Our parents entrust us to keep our children safe, and that responsibility is our top priority," Howard County Public Schools Superintendent Michael Martirano said in a statement last week. "Though it's important to allow the legal process to play out, I am extremely disturbed as a result of learning of these charges.

Baltimore County Public Schools officials confirmed Thursday that Costella had been a teacher at Dundalk High School from 2015-2021. An online newsletter listed Costella as a girls soccer coach in 2016.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/baltimore/news/booking-photo-released-of-howard-county-teacher-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Lockland city council member arrested on child pornography charges, sheriff's office says

By FOX19 Digital Staff

Published: Sep. 3, 2022

LOCKLAND, Ohio (WXIX) - A Lockland city council member was arrested on child pornography charges Friday night after a weeks-long investigation, according to the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

Leslie "Shawn" Brock, 55, was arrested for uploading child pornography to the internet, the sheriff's office said.

Brock served on the City of Lockland's finance and safety, health and welfare committees.

He is being charged with 10 counts of child obscenity and two counts of pandering with child pornography, the sheriff's office said.

<https://www.fox19.com/2022/09/03/city-council-member-arrested-child-pornography-charges/>

Carteret County man arrested on child pornography charges

STAFF REPORT

Jun 16, 2022

CARTERET COUNTY — Detectives with the Carteret County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division arrested a Carteret County man Monday on charges related to the sexual exploitation of minors.

The suspect, Lester David Gillberg, 31, of Newport, is charged with five counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Detectives arrested Mr. Gillberg as the result of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children (CAC) investigation. Detectives from the Sheriff's Office ICAC Unit began the investigation after discovering the suspect possessed files of child sexual abuse material. Detectives took Mr. Gillberg into custody, and equipment used to facilitate the crime was seized as evidence.

Mr. Gillberg is currently in the Carteret County jail under a \$500,000 secured bond. His first court appearance was Tuesday morning.

To report child sexual exploitation to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, call 1-800-THE-LOST or online at cybertipline.org.

https://www.carolinacoastonline.com/news_times/article_01cca0b0-edb4-11ec-8f8e-bbf9ebee68ab.html

Police: Kennewick man had over 200 images of child pornography on his phone

By Thomas Yazwinski
March 28th 2022

Monday,

BENTON COUNTY -- Police arrested Lionel Sanchez, 27, of Kennewick, after investigators say they found hundreds of images of child pornography on his phone.

Sanchez appeared before a judge on March 28. According to court documents, a detective with the Southeast Regional Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, or ICAC, found out about the alleged emails from personnel at Verizon Wireless. Verizon indicated that Sanchez had downloaded multiple images of child porn. Court documents state that an ICAC detective applied for a search warrant for Sanchez's phone data and discovered 227 images of apparent first degree depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Police contacted Sanchez on March 25. According to court documents, Sanchez admitted to police that he had viewed child porn images since he was 16 years old.

Sanchez has been booked into the Benton County Jail for two counts of suspicion of Possession of Depictions of Minors Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct in the First Degree. A judge set his bail at \$100,000. His next court appearance is scheduled for March 30 if he is charged.

<https://kimatv.com/news/local/police-kennewick-man-had-over-200-images-of-child-pornography-on-his-phone>

Three arrested in Etowah County on child pornography charges

Donna Thornton, The Gadsden Times October 4, 2022

A roundup resulted in the arrest of three men on child pornography charges, Etowah County Sheriff Jonathon Horton said.

Etowah County, Leesburg, Cedar Bluff and Rainbow City investigators involved in the State of Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force on Sept. 22 conducted the roundup and served search warrant at three homes on three suspects, which led to the arrests.

Logan Lee Jolley, 25, of Gadsden, is charged with 11 counts of possession of child pornography and dissemination of obscene matter. Horton said several devices were searched during the operation; only Jolley's phone was seized. He was held on \$270,000 cash bond.

Christopher Jay Dowdy, 55, of Gadsden, is charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography. Horton said several devices were taken from his residence, with the possibility of child pornography. Dowdy was held on \$200,000 cash bond.

Bruce Alan Mize, 18, of Stevenson, is charged with 11 counts of possession of child pornography. He is accused of downloading, sending and selling child pornography on the internet. He was held on \$220,000 property bond.

The three suspects have the same bond conditions: no internet, smartphones or contact with anyone under 18 years old, with supervision by Etowah County Community Corrections upon release.

The investigation continues. Horton said there is a possibility of additional charges.

<https://sports.yahoo.com/three-arrested-etowah-county-child-001811716.html>

State Police arrest Cobleskill man for promoting a sexual performance by a child

NEW YORK STATE POLICE
Major Richard J. O'Brien
Troop G Commander

PRESS RELEASE
20 May 2022

Cobleskill man arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child following a search warrant.

State Police Investigators in Princetown, with the assistance of the Troop G Computer Crimes Unit, the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce, and Cobleskill Village Police arrested 25-year-old Lucky L. Dorch of Cobleskill for Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child (D felony), Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child (E felony) and Resisting Arrest (A misdemeanor).

Dorch is accused of possessing and sharing images consistent with child sexual exploitation via the internet. His arrest followed an investigation stemming from a cyber tip received by the New York State Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the execution of a search warrant at his residence.

Dorch was arraigned before the Cobleskill Village Court and was remanded to the Schoharie County Correctional Facility on \$5,000 bail, \$10,000 bond, or \$30,000 partial and conditions.

<https://www.nyspnews.com/cobleskill-man-arrested-for-promoting-sexual-performance-by-child.htm>

Rapides Parish Man Arrest for Child Pornography

Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office Sep 6, 2022

Rapides Parish, La - On Friday September 2nd, RPSO's Digital Forensics/Cyber Crimes Unit Detectives executed a search warrant at 215 Dale Street Alexandria in reference to a complaint of Distribution of Child Pornography (Victim Under The Age of 13). Sheriff's Detectives conducted a joint investigation with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office related to the allegations. Through their investigation, Luis Alejandro Cruz, 23 of Alexandria, LA, was identified as a suspect. While conducting the search of Cruz's residence, items of evidence which supported the initial allegations were discovered. Probable cause was established and warrants were granted for Cruz's arrest in reference to Thirty-Five Counts Pornography Involving Juveniles (Victim Under Age of 13). Cruz was taken into custody without incident and booked into the Rapides Parish Detention Center. Cruz was released on Monday September 5th, 2022 after posting a \$19,500 bond. Detectives say their investigation is still ongoing.

http://www.westcentralsbest.com/todays_country_1057/news/rapides-parish-man-arrest-for-child-pornography/article_59d0e958-2e17-11ed-860d-bf9d111f1331.html

Sheriff's Office Arrests Man On 24 Counts of Sexual Exploitation

Staff Report
Apr 21, 2022

The Moore County Sheriff's Office announced the arrest of a Robbins man after an undercover investigation related to Sexual Exploitation of a Minor utilizing social media applications, the department announced Thursday.

Luis Hernandez Oliver, 23, of East Hemp Street was arrested and faces 12 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and 12 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. He was jailed in the Moore County Detention Center under a \$750,000 secured bond, pending a court appearance on next Thursday in Moore County District Court.

The investigation was the result of information submitted to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The Moore County Sheriff's Office is a part of the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children (NCICAC) Taskforce and is committed to protecting our children.

https://www.thepilot.com/news/sheriffs-office-arrests-man-on-24-counts-of-sexual-exploitation/article_b925048c-c1b8-11ec-91a8-af148d6e2f9a.html

Police: Mooresville 18-Year-Old Charged With 18 Counts of Sexual Exploitation Of A Minor

Samantha Gilstrap
February 26, 2022

MOORESVILLE, N.C. — An 18-year-old Mooresville man was arrested for his possible involvement and possession of child pornography, according to detectives.

The Mooresville Police Department received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children concerning a Mooresville resident possibly being involved with child porn.

Based on that tip, MPD Detective Lawing began an investigation.

Lawing interviewed the suspect and conducted forensic examinations of the suspect's electronic devices, which revealed evidence of his involvement and possession of child pornography.

Detectives then identified and arrested the suspect, Magnus Trimbach, as a result of their continued investigation.

Trimbach is charged with 16 counts of third degree sexual exploitation of a minor and two counts of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor for his involvement in this case, according to a news release.

Police arrested Trimbach and placed him in the Iredell County Detention Center under a \$150,000 secured bond.

The Mooresville Police Department would like to thank the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the United States Secret Service, and the Department of Homeland Security Investigations for their assistance in this case.

If you have information concerning this case, or any case of child exploitation, please contact the Mooresville Police Department or Detective Lawing at 704-664-3311.

<https://www.wccbcharlotte.com/2022/02/26/police-mooresville-18-year-old-charged-with-18-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor/>

Police: Napa man arrested after trading explicit video and photos with underage person

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Napa Police announced the arrest of a 24-year-old resident on felony allegations of exchanging sexually explicit pictures and video with a minor online.

Junior Manuel Cantera was arrested at 9:11 a.m. Monday in the 1600 block of Park Avenue, the department said in a news release. He was booked into the Napa County jail, where he was being held Tuesday on \$100,000 bail for investigation of sending harmful matter to a child, contacting a minor with intent to commit a sex crime or other felony, and possessing child pornography.

The allegations stem from a long-distance relationship Cantera struck up with a 16-year-old, with whom he exchanged photos and videos of a sexual nature through the Snapchat app, according to police, who said the department acted on an online tip reported from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

A search warrant was issued for Cantera's Snapchat account, revealing several other explicit videos of underage females, the department said in its statement.

Napa Police's investigation into the case is continuing. Anyone with information about the case is asked to contact Officer J. Velasquez at 707-257-9223 or jvelasquez@cityofnapa.org.

https://napavalleyregister.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/police-napa-man-arrested-after-trading-explicit-video-and-photos-with-underage-person/article_f5ef3e18-28a2-11ed-a7e7-137b5b10a431.html

LaSalle man charged with having child pornography

WSPYNEWS Aug 22, 2022 Updated Aug 23, 2022

36-year-old Marcelo Rocha, of LaSalle, was arrested by the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office on Thursday following a search of his home. Rocha is charged with two counts of possessing child pornography.

Several police agencies assisted with the search including the Illinois Attorney General's Office High Tech Crimes Bureau.

Rocha was taken to the LaSalle County Jail in Ottawa on \$100,000 bond. He was not listed on the jail's roster as of Saturday morning.

https://www.wspynews.com/news/local/lasalle-man-charged-with-having-child-pornography/article_805f9354-2083-11ed-89f3-034676b8c48e.html#:~:text=36%2Dyear%2Dold%20Marcelo%20Rocha,counts%20of%20possessing%20child%20pornography

Couple charged in child porn case went back to living at day care, warrant says

By Pat Reavy, KSL.com | Posted - Jan. 4, 2022 at 11:28 a.m.

SANDY — A Sandy couple accused of accessing child pornography while working at a home day care are in more trouble for returning to the same home, according to police.

Kadence Pinder, 24, and Marcus Strebel, 29, were charged in February with numerous counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony. Pinder was charged with 15 counts and Strebel with 10, according to court records. Both lived at 9194 Benson Way and worked at the attached day care that is operated by Strebel's mother.

As part of the conditions of their pretrial release, they were not allowed to access the internet, have contact with anyone under 18, and could not be in any place where children were known to be — which included the house on Benson Way.

But according to newly released court documents, both are suspected of violating the conditions of their pretrial release.

In July, an investigator with the Internet Crimes Against Children task force received a tip from Google that suspected child pornography was uploaded to an account registered to an address at 9194 Benson Way, according to arrest warrants for both Pinder and Strebel.

Based on that tip, investigators kept surveillance on the Sandy home in November and observed both "Strebel and Pinder at the residence during business hours for the day care," according to the arrest warrants.

On Dec. 6, members of the task force served a search warrant on the home. Investigators learned that both had been living there and had been accessing the internet, the warrants state.

During the execution of the search warrant, suspected methamphetamine was also found and the Salt Lake County Health Department closed the house to occupancy until it could be decontaminated. Sandy police stated the meth was discovered in the living area of the house, away from the day care and not in an area where the day care

children would typically be. The day care was providing for fewer than five children, according to the health department.

Strebel had agreed to plead guilty to his original charges in November. But during a court hearing on Dec. 20, after he was arrested, prosecutors stated that they did not wish to go forward with the plea at that time, although the defense said it wanted to, according to court records. The hearing was continued until Jan. 18.

Pinder's next hearing is scheduled for Jan. 21.

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50322044/couple-charged-in-child-porn-case-went-back-to-living-at-day-care-warrant-says#:~:text=Kadence%20Pinder%2C%2024%2C%20and%20Marcus,10%2C%20according%20to%20court%20records>

Farmington man arrested for promoting child pornography

News, Regional News

FARMINGTON – The Missouri State Highway Patrol’s Division of Drug and Crime Control announces the arrest of Mark Alan Chaplin, 60, of Farmington, Missouri, on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, for promoting and possession of child pornography. The arrest was the result of an investigation conducted by members of the Division of Drug and Crime Control’s Digital Forensics Investigative Unit.

On Wednesday, August 10, 2022, investigators executed a search warrant at Chaplin’s residence on Hawthorne Drive, in Farmington, Missouri. As a result of their search, investigators seized child pornography and computer equipment. Chaplin was arrested and transported to the St. Francois County Jail.

On Thursday, August 11, 2022, the St. Francois County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office formally charged Chaplin with two counts of promoting child pornography and four counts of possession of child pornography. Chaplin was issued a bond of \$150,000. The Patrol was assisted by the Farmington Police Department.

The Division of Drug and Crime Control encourages internet users to promptly report to the Patrol or local law enforcement anyone who attempts to engage in unwanted, inappropriate, or sexualized communications with children. The Digital Forensics Investigative Unit is partially funded by the Missouri Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The above charges are mere accusation and are not evidence of guilt. Evidence in support of these charges must be presented before a court of competent jurisdiction whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

<https://suntimesnews.com/2022/08/13/farmington-man-arrested-for-promoting-child-pornography/>

Judson ISD band teacher arrested for sharing child pornography files on Snapchat, police say

Mark Mallow, 26, has been placed on leave

Cody King, Digital Journalist

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A middle school band teacher with Judson ISD is on leave and behind bars after San Antonio police found child pornography files on his Snapchat account.

Mark Mallow, 26, was taken into custody on Wednesday, Aug. 31, for possession of child pornography, a third-degree felony, and promotion of child pornography, a second-degree felony.

According to an arrest affidavit, Mallow uploaded five files of child pornography to Snapchat -- four photos and one video.

On April 16, the photo-sharing platform filed a report of the explicit media files with The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

Authorities were also made aware of the explicit files and traced the the Snapchat account to its alleged owner, Mallow. They were able to track the files in the "Memories" section of the app.

During the investigation, a chat thread was found on Snapchat between Mallow and another user, according to an affidavit.

One of them said, "We should not have sent that material on here my dude. I'm worried."

Mallow is a teacher at Woodlake Hills Middle School in the Judson Independent School District.

On Wednesday afternoon, Judson ISD issued this statement to KSAT confirming Mallow's arrest, saying he's since been placed on leave:

"This morning, we were notified by the Office of the Attorney General that an employee was detained at their home for possession of child pornography. The safety

of our students is our top priority and we take situations like this very seriously. The employee was immediately placed on administrative leave and we are working diligently with the office of the Texas Attorney General, who is handling the case. School administration have notified families of this arrest. This is an open investigation and if there is more information to provide, we will share it as appropriate. We can confirm that the employee that was placed on leave is Mark Mallow.”

Mallow is currently being held in the Bexar County Jail and his bond is set at \$180,000 for both charges combined, court records show.

<https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2022/09/01/judson-isd-band-teacher-arrested-for-sharing-child-pornography-files-on-snapchat-police-say/>

4-month investigation leads to Columbus man's arrest in child pornography case

By: Matt Adams
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Posted:

COLUMBUS, Ind. – A four-month investigation resulted in the arrest of a Columbus man accused in a child pornography case.

Indiana State Police took 38-year-old Mark Scolley into custody Thursday on seven counts of possession of child pornography.

The investigation was a coordinated effort involving Indiana State Police and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to state police, the investigation began in February. ISP received six tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which itself had received information from three internet service providers.

As a result of the tips and the subsequent investigation, ISP and the task force served a search warrant at a home on Timbercrest Drive in Columbus, with assistance from the FBI and the Bloomington Police Department.

Investigators said they discovered additional evidence during their search. Scolley is being held in the Bartholomew County Jail.

<https://fox59.com/indiana-news/4-month-investigation-leads-to-columbus-mans-arrest-in-child-pornography-case/>

Former Legislative Candidate Charged After Cache Of Child Porn Discovered

By: Terri Jo Neff
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Posted:

A one-time candidate for the Arizona House of Representatives who is a self-confessed sex addict remains in the Cochise County jail in lieu of \$100,000 bail after being arrested for possession of hundreds of images of child pornography.

Mark Snyder-Stonebraker was taken into custody March 30 on suspicion of six counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, Arizona's child pornography statute. He is scheduled for a preliminary hearing April 11 unless formally indicted by a county grand jury beforehand.

Snyder-Stonebraker, 73, has been politically active in Cochise County, and in 2012 he filed as a Democrat candidate to represent Legislative District 14. He came under investigation in February when an Internet Protocol (IP) address used to connect to a Dropbox "cloud" data storage account containing illicit images of children was tracked to a Sierra Vista address.

Sierra Vista Det. Thomas Ransford quickly identified Snyder-Stonebraker as the suspect. In addition, the email account connected to the IP address matches the email listed on Snyder-Stonebraker's old legislative campaign documents.

The initial tip referenced 10 suspected images of child pornography in the Dropbox account. Ransford secured several search warrants as part of his investigation, leading to the discovery of a cache of nearly 500 unlawful images of prepubescent girls, many between the ages of 10 to 14.

During a post-Miranda interview, Snyder-Stonebraker described himself to Ransford as "a sex addict" and talked about attending meetings of Sex Addicts Anonymous.

"He stated they advised him never to admit to looking at the images," Ransford noted in his report. "Stonebraker stated he has had an issue with thoughts of child sex for the last 20 years but never touched a child."

Public records show additional charges are being pursued against Snyder-Stonebraker based on other images discovered on various computer and electronic devices seized

from his residence. In addition, Ransford's investigation continues into Snyder-Stonebaker's admission of using a second cloud-based account.

Ransford said Tuesday there is no evidence to suggest Snyder-Stonebraker engaged in sexual abuse of children. It also appears the images were produced by someone other than Snyder-Stonebraker.

Arizona Daily Independent has reported on numerous possession of child pornography cases. Prosecutors have consistently said there is no pattern of economic, occupational, educational, nor political-leaning characteristics among those with such an interest.

For example, former Arizona Ranger – Sierra Vista Company Commander Thomas "Mike" Dennis was convicted on federal child pornography charges after more than 2,500 images were found on his various computer devices during searched of his Sierra Vista home and real estate office.

Dennis, a registered Republican and longtime volunteer for the Miss Sierra Vista competition, admitted in his plea deal that he possessed and distributed images "depicting prepubescent children under the age of 12, toddlers, and children being subjected to bondage and sadistic conduct." He died in 2017 while serving a multi-year sentence. He was 76.

<https://arizonadailyindependent.com/2022/04/05/former-legislative-candidate-charged-after-cache-of-child-porn-discovered/#:~:text=Mark%20Snyder%2DStonebraker%20was%20taken,a%20county%20grand%20jury%20beforehand.>

Saginaw man accused of viewing child pornography on the internet

By: Ryan Jeltema

Jan 17, 2022

SAGINAW, Mich. (WJRT) - A Saginaw man is facing six charges after police say he was looking at child pornography online.

Police say 52-year-old Martin Allen Rogers turned himself in and he was arraigned in Saginaw County District Court on the following charges:

One count of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material.

One count of distributing or promoting child sexually abusive activity.

One count of child sexually abusive activity.

Three counts of using a computer to commit a crime.

The Michigan State Police Computer Crimes Unit launched the investigation when it was learned that Rogers looked at images of child sexually abusive material on the internet.

Authorities seized electronics from Rogers' residence during the investigation.

https://www.abc12.com/news/crime/saginaw-man-accused-of-viewing-child-pornography-on-the-internet/article_cc349a70-77a7-11ec-8361-037c68ce0968.html

Barnesville man indicted on child pornography charges in federal court

by Claire Helm Thursday, April 14th 2022

LAMAR COUNTY, Ga. (WGXA) -- A federal grand jury in Macon indicted a midstate man on multiple child sex crime charges on Wednesday.

According to the Barnesville Police Department, Marty Kinard, of Barnesville, was indicted on charges of production of child pornography, distribution of child pornography, and possession of child pornography.

A Barnesville police officer who testified in the case stated that on June 6, 2021, Kinard was arrested for the sexual exploitation of children, child molestation, and aggravated child molestation.

Barnesville police officials state that Kinard still has pending child sex crime charges at the state level.

In the meantime, Kinard will be turned over to federal authorities.

<https://wgxa.tv/news/local/barnesville-man-indicted-on-child-pornography-charges-in-federal-court>

Child Pornography Possession Charge Filed Against Camden Co. Man

The man, 22-year-old Mateo Diaz, was released pending his initial court hearing, law enforcement officials said.

Janel Miller, Patch Staff Updated Wed, Aug 17, 2022

GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP, NJ — A 22-year-old Gloucester Township man was arrested on a charge of child pornography possession, according to law enforcement officials.

Mateo Diaz of Greens Way in the township's Blackwood section, was released pending his initial court hearing, the Gloucester Township Police Department said.

Acting on a tip, an investigation into Diaz began in March and culminated in a search warrant being executed on Tuesday, according to the Gloucester Township Police Department.

An electronic device was seized during the search and will be "analyzed for additional evidence," the Gloucester Township Police Department said.

Diaz was released pending his initial court hearing, according to the Gloucester Township Police Department.

Representatives within the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Camden County Prosecutor's Office and Gloucester Township Police Department assisted in the investigation that led to Diaz's arrest, the Gloucester Township Police Department said.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/gloucestertownship/child-pornography-possession-charge-filed-against-camden-co-man>

Big Bear detectives arrest one on child pornography charges

May 13, 2022 5:51 AM

Detectives from the Big Bear Sheriff's Station arrested a Big Bear City man May 11 on charges of possession and distribution of child pornography. He is being held on \$25,000 bail.

Detective arrested Mathew Armstrong, 43, following a month-long investigation. A tip from a Cyber-Tip report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children started the investigation and identified Armstrong as the suspect. Detectives determined that Armstrong allegedly shared child pornography online.

A search warrant served at Armstrong's residence in the 1400 block of South Green Oaks Court in Big Bear City found evidence that was seized for forensic analysis. Armstrong was arrested without incident. He is due in court on Friday, May 13.

Detectives believe there may be unreported victims of child pornography possessed by Armstrong. Anyone who feels they may be a victim is asked to contact Detective Weddell at 909-866-0100. Anonymous tips can be made by calling WETIP at 800-78-CRIME or online at www.wetip.com.

<https://bigbeargrizzly.net/news/7153/big-bear-detectives-arrest-one-on-child-pornography-charges/>

19-year-old charged with possessing child porn

Ridley Park man out on bail after arrest

By ALEX ROSE | The Delaware County Daily Times
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A Ridley Park man has been arrested for possession of child pornography after he allegedly uploaded a file on the social media platform Snapchat.

Matteo Thomas Arriaga, 19, of the 200 block of West Ridley Avenue, is charged with 25 counts of possession and 25 counts criminal use of a communication facility, according to an affidavit of probable cause for his arrest written by Delaware County Detective Lisa DeMartini, a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a report from Snapchat in November that a user identified as "mr tates" uploaded a 43-second video that depicts two children and an adult engaged in a sexual act, according to the affidavit.

The account was linked to a phone number and email address for Arriaga, according to the affidavit. The phone was also registered to the defendant's Ridley Avenue address, where detectives and Ridley Park police officers served a search warrant Thursday, the affidavit says.

Arriaga was home at the time, but declined to speak with detectives, according to the affidavit. Investigators seized four Apple iPhones, two laptops, a custom PC and two external hard drives during the search, the affidavit says.

A forensic search of one of the iPhones identified as Arriaga's found more than 25 videos of child pornography, according to the affidavit, including children as young as toddlers and infants.

Arriaga was arraigned before Magisterial District Judge Robert R. Burke, who set bail at 10% of \$100,000. Arriaga has posted bail and is awaiting a preliminary hearing on Feb. 7 before Magisterial District Judge Jack D. Lippart. No defense attorney is listed on online court documents.

<https://www.delcotimes.com/2022/01/14/19-year-old-charged-with-possessing-child-porn/>

Feds charge Mahoning County man in child pornography investigation

An affidavit sheds more light onto the arrest of a Smith Township man

By Mike Gauntner
June 8th 2022

Wednesday,

Federal authorities have charged a Mahoning County man suspected of attempting to solicit pornographic pictures and videos from children and attempting to sell child pornography.

A complaint filed in U.S. District Court charges 27-year-old Matthew Bartchy of Smith Township with attempted sexual exploitation of children as well as receipt and distribution of child pornography.

An affidavit prepared by a Homeland Security Task Force officer says she was requested to help investigate tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children by the Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

More than seventy child pornography files were uploaded to electronic service providers between December 24, 2021, and January 26, 2022.

The files included photos and videos of nude female children, some engaging in sex acts with adult males.

A detective in Montana posing online as a 13-year-old girl alleges that Bartchy claimed to be a 14-year-old girl and offered to trade child pornography.

On March 14, 2022, agents searched Bartchy's Ellet Road home, confiscating two cell phones and a laptop.

According to the affidavit, Bartchy admitted sending and receiving child pornography through the internet and attempting to sell some of those files.

Bartchy was arrested and charged with a dozen counts including pandering obscenity, importuning, and disseminating matter harmful to juveniles.

Those local charges were dropped after prosecutors learned that Bartchy would face federal offenses.

Held in the Mahoning County jail since his arrest last month on \$100,000 bond, a detention hearing is set next week in U.S. District Court.

<https://www.wfmj.com/story/46648830/feds-charge-mahoning-county-man-in-child-pornography-investigation>

Lane County man arrested, accused of uploading child porn to messaging platform

by News Staff

Thursday, October 20th 2022

LANE COUNTY, Ore. — Lane County Sheriff's Office detectives recently received information from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force that a man, later identified as 22-year-old Matthew Aaron Blomquist, had uploaded approximately 40 separate files of child pornography to a messaging platform named 'Kik', the Sheriff's Office said Thursday.

As deputies investigated, they learned that Blomquist had been living at a residence in the 80000 block of Horn Road north of Cottage Grove.

FBI investigators obtained a search warrant for Blomquist's residence. LCSO detectives assisted the FBI with the execution of this warrant on Wednesday of this week.

"Several videos containing homemade child pornography were located on Blomquist's phone," LCSO said. "Evidence was also discovered indicating that Blomquist has been filming himself sexually abusing a child in the recent past."

Blomquist was taken into custody and lodged at the Lane County Jail on charges including Sex Abuse in the 1st Degree, Using a Child in Display of a Sex Act, Encouraging Child Exploitation in the 1st Degree, and Encouraging Child Exploitation in the 2nd Degree.

"The Lane County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the FBI Eugene Office for their assistance with this case."

<https://kplic.com/news/local/lane-county-detectives-fbi-arrest-22-year-old-man-on-child-sex-related-charges>

Service Man Arrested for Distributing Child Pornography

By BPT Staff

June 21, 2022

Bossier Sheriff's Office detectives have arrested a Barksdale Air Force Base airman for distributing child sexual abuse images.

Matthew Daigle, 23, of the 300 block of Gaston Lane in Bossier City, was arrested after an investigation revealed that he distributed pornography involving juveniles. Detectives obtained and executed a search warrant at Daigle's residence where they seized his electronic devices. Those devices will undergo a digital forensic examination to determine if there are more images stored on them.

Daigle was taken to the detective's office and interviewed where they say he was cooperative and confessed to distributing the pornographic images. Daigle was charged with two counts of Distributing Pornography Involving Juveniles. He is booked into the Bossier Max. No bond has been set in this case.

This matter is still under investigation. Detectives with the Bossier Sheriff's Office continue to aggressively investigate child sexual abuse cases with the ICAC Team, the Attorney General's Office, and with the aid of the latest technology. They encourage anyone with information regarding this crime or any other crimes against children to contact the Bossier Sheriff's Office at (318) 965-2203.

<https://bossierpress.com/service-man-arrested-for-distributing-child-pornography/>

Wilson man faces dozens of child pornography charges

August 11, 2022 By Olivia Neeley

A 47-year-old man faces nearly three dozen charges after authorities say he downloaded “numerous” photos and videos containing child pornography.

Wilson police on Monday arrested Barton College employee Matthew Owen Flint of Wilson on 35 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. The charges are not associated with Barton College, police said.

“Mr. Flint has been employed by the college as an outreach and public services librarian,” said Kathy Daughety, Barton College’s director of public relations. “The college policies are separate from any court process. At this time, the college is expediting prescribed personnel procedures.”

Police received a July 14 cyber tipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding flagged child pornography content, according to Sgt. Eric McInerney. Officers then obtained a search warrant for the flagged accounts and identified the user as Flint, McInerney said.

“During the investigation, numerous photographs and videos of child pornography were located and seized,” he said in a news release issued in response to a Wilson Times request.

Officers worked with N.C. State Bureau of Investigation agents to charge Flint, officials said.

Flint was jailed under a \$237,500 secured bond.

McInerney said the investigation is ongoing.

“The Wilson Police Department would like to thank the supporting agencies for assisting with this investigation,” he said.

Police ask anyone with information to call the Wilson Police Department at 252-399-2323 or Crime Stoppers at 252-243-2255.

<https://restorationnewsmedia.com/articles/local-news/wilson-man-faces-dozens-of-child-pornography-charges/#:~:text=A%2047%2Dyear%2Dold%20man,sexual%20exploitation%20of%20a%20minor>

Beauregard Elementary School employee arrested on 41 counts of child pornography

WVAS | By Derik Williams (D-Will The Coach)

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An employee with Beauregard Elementary School has been arrested on 41 counts of child pornography.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office said 33-year-old Matthew Adams Hammock, of Beauregard, is a custodian at the school.

Investigators collected a cell phone from Hammock at the time of his arrest and were able to confirm multiple images of child pornography that had been downloaded from the internet.

A search warrant was conducted at his home on Lee Road 43 where multiple devices were obtained. On those devices, investigators found images depicting nude children under the age of 12.

Investigators say at this time, there is no evidence that would suggest Beauregard Elementary School or any of the students were depicted in any of the photos.

Deputies with the Lee County Sheriff's Office conducted searches in all of the bathrooms at the school and found no recording devices.

Hammock is in the Lee County Detention Center on a \$410,000 bond.

More charges are expected to come.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact the Lee County Sheriff's Office at 334-749-5651 or Central Alabama CrimeStoppers at 334-215-STOP.

<https://www.wvasfm.org/wvas-local/2022-09-30/beauregard-elementary-school-employee-arrested-on-41-counts-of-child-pornography>

Another Sioux Falls police officer arrested on child porn charges

By Dakota News Now staff
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SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (Dakota News Now) - For the second time this month, a Sioux Falls police officer has been arrested on child pornography charges.

Matthew Alan Jock was booked Wednesday on five counts of possession, distribution, or manufacturing of child pornography, court records show. The charges are out of Lincoln County.

Jock is no longer employed by the Sioux Falls Police Department, Chief Jon Thum said in a briefing Thursday.

"While these are actions committed by an individual, they are a violation of trust and have done damage to this community and this department. And that can't be taken lightly," Thum said. "When much trust is given, much is expected, and these clearly aren't actions that reflect that trust."

According to court documents, the investigation began on Jan. 14 when the South Dakota Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding a Kik messenger user whose account contained child pornography videos. Detectives later used data records from Kik to confirm that this user sent at least five media files depicting child pornography to other users.

Investigators eventually tracked down the IP address to Jock's home in southeast Sioux Falls, south of the Lincoln County line. Officers conducted a search warrant at the residence on Wednesday.

Detectives also interviewed Jock Wednesday, according to court documents. Jock admitted that the Kik account in question was his, and that he used it to access media depicting child pornography. Investigators say he was able to describe one of the videos where a girl between the age of 8-10 performed a sexual act on an adult man. Jock also said it was possible he sent more than one graphic file to other Kik users.

Each of the five counts against Jock are class 4 felonies, punishable by up to ten years in prison. He will be arraigned Thursday.

A "black eye" for the police department Jock was hired by the Sioux Falls Police Department in February of 2020, according to city records.

The arrest comes less than two weeks after another Sioux Falls Police Department officer, 28-year-old Luke Schauer, was arrested for child pornography. Schauer was taken off active duty when the city learned of the arrest, and is no longer a member of the police department.

Schauer also used Kik to access child pornography, according to court documents. However, it is still unclear whether these cases are connected. Jock is facing state charges, while Schauer is facing charges in federal court.

In a media briefing Thursday morning, both Chief Thum and Sioux Falls Mayor Paul TenHaken said they are "troubled" by the arrests of Jock and Schauer.

"The actions of Mr. Jock, and Mr. Schauer before have given our organization a black eye and we can't hide from that, we cannot take that lightly at all," Thum said.

TenHaken said he's deeply trouble and even "angry" about the incidents, and while the city is "carefully reviewing" its policies, he said he continues to stand "shoulder to shoulder" with the men and women of the Sioux Falls Police Department.

"We will not let the actions of a few tarnish the work of the many in this department," Tenhaken said. "Our hope is that the community as a whole will feel this way as well." Thum added that the department must work harder going forward. "We will continue to evaluate our personnel procedures and policies and how we handle issues of this nature. We have safeguards in place to protect against this, but obviously we always need to be working for better solutions."

The Sioux Falls Fraternal Order of Police Council issued a statement saying Jock's and Schauer's alleged offenses are "an unforgivable betrayal to the oath we all took." "These actions do not reflect the culture of the many dedicated sergeants and officers in our membership," the statement said. "The Labor Council and its members are grateful for the professional and expedient work done by investigators in these matters. We take pride in knowing that law enforcement continues to perform as it should by holding such offenders accountable, wherever they may be."

<https://www.blackhillsfox.com/2022/02/17/another-sioux-falls-police-officer-arrested-child-porn-charges/>

Prison ordered for West Valley man who had child porn, childlike sex dolls

By Kaitlyn Bancroft, KSL.com | Posted - July 15, 2022 at 2:22 p.m.

SALT LAKE CITY — A West Valley man who pleaded guilty to sexual exploitation of a minor after police said they discovered child pornography and childlike sex dolls at his home was sentenced Thursday to prison.

Matthew Christopher Lowe, 46, was charged in January with 20 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony. He pleaded guilty to six of those charges as part of a plea deal and the remaining 14 were dismissed.

Third District Judge Paul B. Parker sentenced Lowe to a term of one to 15 years in prison for each of the six counts, but ordered them to be served concurrently.

During Thursday's sentencing, Lowe said he understands that what he did was wrong and he blames no one but himself, adding that he was "not in (his) right mind" when the crimes occurred.

The investigation against Lowe began in February 2021, when an undisclosed social media company reported that suspected child pornography was being uploaded and distributed on its platform.

Members of the Internet Crimes Against Children task force served a search warrant on Lowe's West Valley residence. In addition to finding child pornography files on social media, investigators found multiple CDs in Lowe's bedroom that contained suspected child porn based on their titles, court documents state.

"Investigators on scene also seized eight sex dolls from the residence, all of which appeared to be childlike and dressed in children's clothing. For example, two of the sex dolls were dressed in Disney's 'Frozen' movie nightgown," a police affidavit states.

Prosecutor Cynthia Poulson expressed concern Thursday about the child pornography and the child-sized sex dolls. She said Lowe's prison sentence "protects children in the community."

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50440787/prison-ordered-for-west-valley-man-who-had-child-porn-childlike-sex-dolls#:~:text=Matthew%20Christopher%20Lowe%2C%2046%2C%20was,the%20remaining%2014%20were%20dismissed>

Newport man arrested on child pornography charges after undercover investigation

By Annette Weston
July 15th 2022

Friday,

NEWPORT, Carteret County — An eastern North Carolina man is jailed on child pornography charges

On Friday, Carteret County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested Matthew McGhee, 38, of Newport on charges related to the sexual exploitation of minors.

McGhee was arrested as the result of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation, and officials said evidence and equipment used to commit the crime were seized.

He is charged with two counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and is being held in the Carteret County Detention Center under an \$11,500 secured bond.

McGhee is scheduled for an initial appearance on Monday.

<https://wcti12.com/news/local/newport-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-after-undercover-investigation>

Lincoln man charged with possessing child porn after messaging app blew whistle, police say

Lincoln Journal Star

Aug 12, 2022

A 27-year-old Lincoln man is in jail nearly nine months after Kik, an app-based messaging platform, reported he had displayed child pornography during a videoconference session late last year, Nebraska State Patrol investigators said in court records.

Investigators in November served a search warrant on Matthew Meyer's west Lincoln residence, where they found a device that contained at least seven child pornographic videos, Investigator Joey Fynbu said in the affidavit for Meyer's arrest.

In at least four of the videos, the victims depicted were under the age of 12, Fynbu said in the affidavit.

A Lancaster County judge signed a warrant for Matthew Meyer's arrest Wednesday. He was booked into the Lancaster County jail Thursday.

https://lexch.com/news/state-and-regional/crime-and-courts/lincoln-man-charged-with-possessing-child-porn-after-messaging-app-blew-whistle-police-say/article_bd7bbc05-ddb6-5af5-b8f6-6e27ab38e339.html

WPD arrests Afton man on alleged child pornography charges

By Kayla Brooks

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WAYNESBORO, Va. (WHSV) - The Waynesboro Police Department arrested Matthew Edward Miller, 29, of Afton, on eight alleged counts of child pornography.

On Dec. 20, 2021, Waynesboro Police Detectives received a complaint from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force regarding an individual downloading child pornography images.

Based on the Waynesboro Police Department detective's preliminary investigation, Waynesboro detectives identified an address in the 300 block of Windigrove Drive, and Miller was the alleged offender.

Evidence collected from the residence during the execution of search warrant by Waynesboro detectives provided details that allowed Waynesboro detectives to arrest Miller on the following alleged offenses:

- (4) Felony warrants -18.2-374.1:1(F)-Knowingly Posses Child Pornography
- (4) Felony warrants-18.2-374.1:1(F)-Produce, Distribute, Finance Child Pornography

Miller has since been released on a secured \$2,500 bond.

<https://www.wHSV.com/2022/08/19/wpd-arrests-afton-man-alleged-child-pornography-charges/>

Palm Harbor man caught uploading child pornography on Kik, deputies say

By: Nathaniel Rodriguez
Feb 12, 2022

Posted:

PALM HARBOR, Fla. (WFLA) — A sex offender living in Palm Harbor was arrested Thursday for having child pornography, according to Pinellas County deputies.

An affidavit said the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office got a tip from the social media platform Kik through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about someone uploading child pornography.

Using the IP address linked to the upload, deputies tracked the activity to the home of Matthew Marc Morell, 30, of Palm Harbor.

During their investigation, deputies found nude images of Morell and an image of a child performing sex acts with two men, the affidavit said.

According to the sheriff's office, Morell invoked his right to remain silent.

State records showed Morell is a registered sex offender who was convicted in 2016 for possession of child pornography.

<https://www.wfla.com/news/pinellas-county/palm-harbor-man-caught-uploading-child-pornography-on-kik-deputies-say/>

Facebook reports man who allegedly uploaded child pornography

By Staff Report September 10, 2022

Facebook reported a local man to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement after he allegedly uploaded child pornography to the social media site.

Matthew Isaiah Sessum, 21, was arrested Thursday after a search warrant was executed at his home at 304 W. Miller St. in Fruitland Park. FDLE agents executed the warrant with the assistance of the SWAT team from the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

The investigation was launched after Facebook (Meta Platforms Inc.) reported that one of its users shared two digital files depicting the sexual exploitation of children. Facebook turned over the email address of the user who had uploaded the pornographic material, which included images of 8-year-old girls in sexually disturbing situations. The information was traced to the Comcast account at Sessum's home.

Sessum admitted the Facebook account was his, but claimed he was attempting to "lure pedophiles," according to an arrest report from the FDLE. He said he "hates pedophiles" and wishes "they were all dead."

He was arrested on multiple charges of possession and promotion of child sexual performance. He was booked without bond at the Lake County Jail as he is already on probation on a robbery charge.

Sessum had been arrested in 2019 in the theft of a golf cart from Brownwood Paddock Square in The Villages.

<https://www.villages-news.com/2022/09/10/facebook-reports-man-who-allegedly-uploaded-child-pornography/>

San Antonio man arrested after Google told authorities many times about child porn on his account

Taylor Pettaway, Staff writer

March 4, 2022

A San Antonio man was arrested Tuesday after Google reported him to authorities more than a dozen times about files containing child pornography being uploaded to his account, court documents said.

Mel Alan Loeffler, 65, was charged with five counts of possession of child pornography. He is being held on \$375,000 bail.

In April 2021, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received 13 tips from Google citing explicit files that had been uploaded to Loeffler's Google account, an affidavit supporting his arrest said. The center forwarded the tips to the Texas Attorney General's Office.

Investigators executed a search warrant for Loeffler's Google account, which had a "large amount" of photos and videos depicting children under the age of 8 in sexually explicit poses, the affidavit said.

<https://www.expressnews.com/news/local/article/San-Antonio-man-arrested-Google-child-porn-16978193.php>

MT. VERNON MAN ARRESTED ON MULTIPLE COUNTS OF DISTRIBUTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Posted By: Withers Syndication
June 28, 2022

MT. VERNON, IL — Jefferson County Sheriff's deputies arrested a 72-year-old Mt. Vernon man Monday on multiple counts of distributing child pornography. Merlin C. Spath remains in the Jefferson County Jail awaiting the setting of bond in a case that's the result of an investigation launched earlier this month into alleged child pornography activity.

The Sheriff's Office Detective division, through their membership with the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, began an investigation into alleged child pornography activity, based on a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). The investigation of internet and social media activity led to multiple search warrants for records and of the residence at 4303 Rose Lane Apartment #9 Mt. Vernon. On Monday, investigators with the Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at that Rose Lane apartment, which led to the arrest of Spath the primary resident.

He was transported to the Jefferson County Jail on nine counts of Distribution of Child Pornography.

<https://www.wmix94.com/2022/06/28/mt-vernon-man-arrested-on-multiple-counts-of-distributing-child-pornography/>

RAMSEY, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

For Immediate Release:
March 21, 2022

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of MICHAEL ALFONE (DOB: 2/14/1943; married; retired) of 163 Arch Street, Ramsey, NJ on a child pornography charge. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Friday, March 4, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of MICHAEL ALFONE during the course of a months-long Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that ALFONE used the Internet to view, download, and possess approximately 100 digital files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, MICHAEL ALFONE was arrested on Friday, March 18, 2022 in Paramus, NJ and charged with third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(b)5(b)iii. ALFONE is scheduled for a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing in Hackensack, New Jersey on Wednesday, April 6, 2022.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charge is merely an accusation and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Ramsey Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, the Lyndhurst Police Department, and the Paramus Police Department which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.bcpo.net/ramsey-nj-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Colbert County Man Indicted On Multiple Charges Of Child Porn

By Roger Murphy
May 21, 2022

COLBERT COUNTY-Colbert County Sheriff Frank Williamson released a statement concerning the arrest of a suspect who has been charged with several counts of Child Pornography:

“Michael Copeland, 39 was charged with 8 counts of Possession of Child Porn and 8 counts of Display Child Porn.

It came in as a cyber tip from ALEA to our investigators. The case is still under investigation.

He bonded out on a \$50,000 property bond.”

Copland was indicted on May 12 and was arrested on May 13 according to court records. His arraignment has been set for June 21.

<http://quadcitiesdaily.com/?p=730021>

Clermont County man charged with 47 counts of child porn

The month-long investigation began with a cyber tip from national groups.

Michael Wesley Draves(Clermont County Sheriff's Office)

By FOX19 Digital Staff

Published: Apr. 7, 2022

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, Ohio (WXIX) - A Clermont County man faces charges of possessing child pornography, according to the Clermont County Sheriff's Office.

A grand jury indicted Michael Wesley Draves, 26, Thursday on 47 counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor, all second-degree felonies.

The investigation began March 11 when sheriff's detectives got a cyber tip from Internet Crimes Against Children and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tip pointed detectives to an address in the 600 block of Walnut Street in Franklin Township, where the child porn was allegedly uploaded.

On March 31, detectives executed a search warrant on the residence and identified Draves. Detectives seized electronics and electronic storage devices used to upload and view the alleged material. Draves cooperated and confirmed he was the only person involved, according to the sheriff's office.

A search of the seized devices revealed "large quantities of uploaded videos and images depicting prepubescent children engaged in various lewd acts," the sheriff's office said.

Detectives are working with ICAC and NCMEC to identify victims and perpetrators in the alleged pornography.

Draves is being held without bond at the Clermont County Jail. His next court date is April 8.

<https://www.fox19.com/2022/04/08/clermont-county-man-charged-with-47-counts-child-porn/>

Minooka Man Accused of Possessing Child Pornography

Sep 20, 2022

The Minooka Police Department executed a search warrant in the 1400 Bluestem Lane with the assistance from the Will County States Attorney High Tech Crimes Unit and Grundy County Pro-Active this morning.

The investigation resulted in the arrest of 42-year old Michael Ellis for Possession of Child Pornography after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

During the search warrant, digital images & videos of known child pornography were recovered. Ellis was transported to the Grundy County Jail to await a bond hearing.

https://www.wspynews.com/news/wcsjnews/minooka-man-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/article_b9efde29-8a6f-5154-a24e-53677f39af88.html

Sweet Home man arrested on suspicion of child pornography

Apr 19, 2022

The Albany Police Department has arrested a Sweet Home man on suspicion of multiple counts of child pornography.

Officers arrested Michael Anthony Giroux, 37, on Thursday, April 14 on a charge of first-degree encouraging child sexual abuse. He was arraigned in Linn County Circuit Court on nine counts of first-degree encouraging child sexual abuse.

According to court documents, on or between Aug. 31 and April 14 Giroux possessed visual recordings of sexually explicit conduct involving children. Each count allegedly involves a different sexually explicit recording and a different child, according to court documents.

During Giroux's arraignment, Linn County Circuit Court Judge Keith Stein set the defendant's bail at \$250,000 and appointed Erik Moeller as defense attorney.

Giroux's next court appearance is scheduled for April 25.

https://lebanon-express.com/corvallis/news/local/crime-and-courts/sweet-home-man-arrested-on-suspicion-of-child-pornography/article_82c0d030-24cc-599d-b904-813300c0eadd.html

Child Pornography Arrest

Jan 10, 2022

BENTON, La. - Bossier Parish sheriff's deputies have arrested a Bossier City man on multiple counts for possessing pornographic images of juveniles and sex with animals.

Michael Lofton, 35, was arrested on Friday night after detectives executed a search warrant for his electronic devices.

Deputies say they found multiple files containing child sexual abuse images and other files containing images depicting bestiality.

Lofton faces on 13 counts of pornography involving juveniles and 20 counts of sexual abuse of an animal.

He was booked into the Bossier Maximum Security Facility with a bond of \$450,000.

https://www.ktbs.com/news/bossier-city-man-arrested-for-pornography-involving-animals-juveniles/article_f9559a6a-7241-11ec-aebe-078496a83b38.html

Hamilton Man Arrested with Pornographic Photos of Child He Knew, Young Girls Undergarments

By Elizabeth A Meyers
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Published

TRENTON, NJ -- A Hamilton Township man, Michael Magliozzo, 41, could spend more than a decade in jail after Mercer County investigators found more than 100 pictures of a young girl he knew and children's underwear in his home.

Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri announced the arrest on Monday following an investigation into online child exploitation.

Detectives with the prosecutor's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit recently received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual in Mercer County was uploading child pornography and subsequently began an investigation.

On Friday, February 25, detectives with ICAC and the prosecutor's Special Victims Unit executed a search warrant at Magliozzo's residence in Hamilton and seized several electronic devices.

At the home, a forensic preview of the devices found more than 100 images of child pornography and additional images of a clothed young girl Magliozzo knew. The photos focused on the girl's intimate areas.

Detectives also located a backpack in the home's basement that contained two pairs of little girl's underwear and women's undergarments.

As a result, Magliozzo was detained without incident and has been charged with third-degree possession of child pornography and second-degree endangering the welfare of a child. The prosecutor's office has filed a motion to detain Magliozzo pending trial.

Second-degree crimes carry a sentence of five to 10 years in state prison and a fine of up to \$150,000. Third-degree crimes carry a sentence of three to five years in state prison and a fine of up to \$15,000.

Onofri urged anyone with information about suspected improper contact by unknown persons communicating with children via the internet or possible exploitation or sexual abuse of children. Information can be provided through the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit at 609-989-6568 or the New Jersey Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force tip line at 888-648-6007.

<https://www.tapinto.net/towns/hamilton-slash-robbinsville/sections/law-and-justice/articles/hamilton-man-arrested-with-pornographic-photos-of-child-he-knew-young-girls-undergarments>

Man locked up on child pornography charges

Michael Mahoski, 21, of Carbondale, was taken into custody on Thursday.

Author: WNEP Web Staff

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CARBONDALE, Pa. — Police have arrested a man from Lackawanna County for having child pornography.

Michael Mahoski, 21, of Carbondale, was taken into custody on Thursday.

Investigators say he uploaded several images of child pornography on his electronic devices. He faces more than 100 counts of sexual abuse of children.

Mahoski remains locked up in Lackawanna County.

<https://www.wnep.com/article/news/local/lackawanna-county/man-locked-up-on-child-pornography-charges-carbondale-sexual-abuse/523-8e25eac5-3898-482a-a33f-258741e70701>

GBI: Peach County man arrested for child pornography

By Claire Helm

March 22nd 2022

PEACH COUNTY, Ga. (WGXA) -- A Peach County man has been arrested for possession of child pornography.

According to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, 64-year-old Michael Mathis was arrested on Thursday, March 17.

Mathis was taken into custody after the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit, Peach County Sheriff's Office, the GBI's Perry office, and the GBI's Middle Georgia Gang Task Force served a search warrant at the suspect's home.

The investigation was opened after the GBI got a tip that led investigators to Peach County.

Mathis, of Byron, is charged with one count of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Possession of Child Pornography).

He was booked into the Peach County Jail. An arrest report shows that he posted a \$5,000 bond on March 18.

<https://wgxa.tv/news/local/gbi-peach-county-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-03-22-2022>

Loveland High School employee facing multiple child pornography charges

By: Molly Schramm

Posted at 12:23 PM, Oct 07, 2022

CINCINNATI — A Loveland High School employee was arrested Friday and charged with multiple counts of child pornography, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office said.

Michael Milesky, 39, was an aide at the high school. He was charged with five counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor. All of the charges are fourth degree felonies.

The Regional Electronics & Computer Investigations section (RECI) received a complaint in September 2022 from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. An investigation identified Milesky, and on Oct. 7 he was interviewed and arrested at Loveland High School.

He is currently housed at the Hamilton County Justice Center.

Mike Broadwater, the superintendent of Loveland City Schools, said that the safety of Loveland City Schools students is "of the utmost importance," and that Milesky was immediately terminated from his job.

"Loveland City School District will never tolerate this type of behavior," Broadwater said.

Broadwater said that the district is working with the sheriff's office to provide information to families and to be in contact with those who worked most closely with Milesky to offer them support and resources.

The sheriff's office is still investigating Milesky's activities, and anyone with information is asked to contact RECI task force at 513-946-8338.

<https://www.wcpo.com/news/local-news/hamilton-county/loveland/loveland-high-school-employee-facing-multiple-child-pornography-charges>

New Lenox Police Arrest Man for Dissemination of Child Pornography

July 1, 2022 5:22AM CDT

On Thursday, June 30th, 2022, the New Lenox Police Department arrested, 41-year-old, Michael C. Murino, of the 600 block of Central Road, for Dissemination of Child Pornography. In February 2022, the New Lenox Police Department Investigations Unit received information regarding a New Lenox resident that was downloading and sharing Child Pornography through an online mobile application. During the investigation the offender, Michael Murino, was identified and a search warrant was obtained for his residence. On today's date, the NLPD executed the search warrant along with the assistance of the Will County State's Attorney's.

High Technology Computer Crimes Unit. NLPD Investigators took possession of Murino's electronic devices, which contained evidence of the crime. Murino was taken into custody and subsequently charged with one count of Felony Dissemination of Child Pornography (Class1).

The investigation is ongoing and further charges may be pending. Murino was transferred to the Will County Adult Detention Facility pending a bond hearing that is scheduled for Friday, July 1, 2022.

<https://www.wjol.com/new-lenox-police-arrest-man-for-dissemination-of-child-pornography/>

23-Year-Old Wappinger Man Faces Child Porn Charge

Kathy Reakes 10/30/2022

A Hudson Valley man has been charged with possession of child pornography after state police received a tip.

Dutchess County resident Michael C. Peratikos, age 23, of Wappinger, was arrested on Tuesday, Oct. 18, said Trooper AJ Hicks, of the New York State Police.

After receiving a law enforcement tip, investigators determined Peratikos possessed child pornography, Hicks said.

He was charged with possession of a sexual performance by a child and released on an appearance ticket.

Peratikos is scheduled to appear in court on Thursday, Nov. 3 in Wappinger.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-york/southwestdutchess/police-fire/23-year-old-wappinger-man-faces-child-porn-charge/846831/>

Search warrant leads to arrest of suspect with electronic images of child pornography

By Staff Report August 23, 2022

A search warrant led to the arrest of a suspect in Lady Lake with electronic images of child pornography.

Michael Pollitt, 61, who lives at 616 First Ave., was booked Monday at the Lake County Jail on multiple charges of possession of child pornography.

A cyber tip had been received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about the uploading of files in June through a Comcast account eventually traced to Pollitt, according to an affidavit of probable cause from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. A warrant was obtained, leading to a search last week at Pollitt's home.

"Michael Pollitt admitted to using a computer to access the internet for the purpose of searching for and purposely viewing child exploitation material," the affidavit said.

Two laptops and a phone were taken from the home for forensic analysis. Multiple sexual images were found, including those with children as young as 1 and 2 years old.

Pollitt was booked at the jail and released after posting \$20,000 bond.

<https://www.villages-news.com/2022/08/23/search-warrant-leads-to-arrest-of-suspect-with-electronic-images-of-child-pornography/>

Child Porn Charges Filed Against Morris Township Man: Prosecutor

Michael Rave, 53, was charged with possession of child sexual abuse material, said the Morris County Prosecutor's Office.

Vianella Burns, Patch Staff
May 27, 2022

Fri,

Michael Rave, 53, was charged with possession of child sexual abuse material, said the Morris County Prosecutor's Office. (Shutterstock)

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ — A 53-year-old Morris Township man has been charged with possession of child sexual abuse materials, according to Morris County Prosecutor Robert J. Carroll.

Michael Rave, of Morris Township, has been charged with one count of endangering the welfare of a child, four counts of promoting obscene material and four counts of criminal sexual contact, police said.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children first alerted the prosecutor's office about the allegations against Rave, referring to video files allegedly depicting the sexual exploitation of a minor.

Rave is accused of having numerous videos of himself on the online chat website "Omegle," where he allegedly exposed himself to several 14-year-old victims, police said.

The victims in these cases have been identified by law enforcement, Carroll said. After formally advising Rave of the charges against him, authorities released the man. A pre-indictment conference is set for June 28.

Agencies involved in the investigation included the Morris Township Police Department, Department of Homeland Security, Morris County Sheriff's Emergency Response Team (SERT), New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Unit, and the Morris County Prosecutor's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Unit.

<https://patch.com/new-jersey/morris/child-porn-charges-filed-against-morris-township-man-prosecutor>

KSP: Danville man charged with child sexual exploitation offenses

37-year-old Michael Rhodus was charged with multiple counts of distributing and possessing child pornography.

Author: Sarah Magin

Published: 8:56 AM EDT August 11, 2022

DANVILLE, Ky. — Michael Rhodus was arrested in Danville, Ky. by Kentucky State Police's Electronic Crime Branch on charges related to a child sexual abuse material investigation, according to KSP.

KSP Electronic Crime Branch began the investigation after discovering the suspect distributing sexually explicit images online. Rhodus was arrested as a result of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation, according to a KSP press release.

The investigation led to the use of a search warrant on Pope Road in Danville on Aug. 10. Officials say equipment used to facilitate the crime was seized, the investigation is ongoing.

Rhodus is currently charged with the following:

10 counts of distribution of matter portraying a minor under the age of 12 in a sexual performance

10 counts of possessing matter portraying a minor under the age of 12 in a sexual performance

These charges are "Class-C felonies" punishable by 5-10 year in prison, according to the press release.

As Thursday morning, Rhodus was in the Boyle County Detention Center.

<https://www.whas11.com/article/news/local/ksp-boyle-county-man-charged-child-sexual-exploitation-offenses-distributing-possessing-child-pornography-kentucky-internet-crimes-against-children/417-10b684eb-5ef3-47ea-89b5-34237cd4489e>

Pamlico County man arrested after raid finds child pornography

By Annette Weston
July 8th 2022

Friday,

BAYBORO, Pamlico County — A Pamlico County man has been arrested for possession of child pornography.

The Pamlico County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Division and the North Carolina SBI ICAC Task Force searched the home of Michael Wayne Stocks, 32, of Bayboro on Wednesday. Investigators received information that Stocks was in possession of child pornography.

Based on evidence found during the search, Stocks was arrested and charged with 4 felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

He is being held on a \$100,000 secured bond.

To report child sexual exploitation to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children call 1-800-THE-LOST or online at www.cybertipline.org.

<https://wcti12.com/news/local/pamlico-county-man-arrested-after-raid-finds-child-pornography>

Brookfield child porn investigation, man charged with 13 counts

FOX6 News Milwaukee Crime and Public Safety
12, 2022

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BROOKFIELD, Wis. - A Brookfield man is charged with 13 counts of child pornography possession.

Prosecutors say Michael Sturino, 69, admitted to sending and receiving child porn after he "became interested out of curiosity."

In June 2021, a criminal complaint states police received a cybertip about child pornography. Detectives subpoenaed the email address linked to the image in question. The email address, the complaint states, had a recovery phone number. That phone number was listed under Sturino's name.

Another cybertip, received in March 2022, pertained to eight different child pornography files. The complaint states the images were associated with a Kik user and an email address – both linked to Sturino.

On June 8, 2022, a search warrant was conducted at Sturino's home. Among the collected evidence, per the complaint, was a tablet with a search history that included "teen nudes."

At the police department, the complaint states Sturino admitted to sending and receiving child porn after he "became interested out of curiosity." Sturino also admitted that he had accounts using a woman's name "because he found it easier to communicate with people if they thought he was a female."

Sturino made an initial court appearance on June 9. A judge set cash bond at \$2,000 in addition to a \$50,000 signature bond, according to court filings. He is due back in court on June 16.

<https://www.fox6now.com/news/brookfield-child-pornography-charges-sturino>

Oklahoma man arrested on child pornography charge

By: C.C. McCandless
Mar 3, 2022

Posted:

JEFFERSON COUNTY, Okla. (KNWA/KFTA) — On March 3, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force arrested Michael Wade Wigington, 44, on a felony child pornography charge.

According to a press release, a search warrant and an arrest warrant were served on March 3 at 211 S. Parrish in Hastings, Oklahoma by agents from the OSBI ICAC Task Force, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and the District 6 Task Force. Wigington was arrested without incident and booked into the Jefferson County Jail on one count of Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography.

His bond was set at \$220,000.

The investigation began after an online storage platform reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that a user had more than 40 files of suspected child pornography. NCMEC determined the IP address came back to the Parrish address in Hastings where Wigington lived.

NCMEC forwarded the information to the OSBI ICAC unit to investigate. In addition to the original files that were reported, a total of 146 videos and photos containing child pornography were uploaded to the online storage platform.

NCMEC received multiple cyber-tips regarding Wigington. He was also wanted for multiple warrants from seven different Oklahoma counties.

If you suspect a child is being sexually exploited, contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-THE-LOST or www.cybertipline.com.

<https://www.nwahomepage.com/news/around-the-region/oklahoma-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charge/>

'Satans Child': Florida man arrested for raping child on video, DOJ says

by: Nathaniel Rodriguez

Posted: Sep 12, 2022 / 02:16 PM CDT

ORLANDO, Fla. (WFLA) — A Florida man was arrested on a federal child pornography charge Monday after raping a child on video, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

A DOJ release said the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children got a tip about an online storage account called "Satans Child" that had child pornography on it.

Investigators traced the "Satans child" account to Miguel Diaz Gonzalez, 40, of Orlando, which allowed them to search his home for evidence.

The DOJ said after confirming that Diaz Gonzalez used the account, investigators executed a search warrant on the account itself, discovering a video in which Diaz Gonzalez is seen raping an 8-year-old that was in his care at the time.

Diaz Gonzalez was charged with production of child sex abuse material. If convicted, he could face up to 30 years in federal prison for the crime.

<https://www.ktalnews.com/news/crime/satans-child-florida-man-arrested-for-raping-child-on-video-doj-says/>

NJ Sex Offender Charged with Child Porn and Sexually Abusing Horse

By Dan Alexander
January 31, 2022

EAST WINDSOR — A repeat sex offender has been charged with possessing thousands of images of child sexual abuse and with sexually abusing a horse.

Members of the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Unit went to the East Windsor home of Mitchell B. Richtman, 31, on Thursday after being notified by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about an individual uploading child pornography.

At Richtman's home, detectives found several devices with child pornography.

Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo Onofri said an initial forensic exam determined the devices contained between 1,000 and 100,000 images and video showing children as young as 5-year-old.

Detectives also found several videos with Richtman performing sexual acts on a horse, according to the prosecutor.

Richtman is charged with second-degree possession of child pornography and fourth-degree animal cruelty. He is being held pending a detention trial.

On Megan's List for several prior charges

According to the state sex offender registry, Richtman is a Tier 2 moderate risk offender.

Schools, licensed daycare centers, summer camps, and registered community organizations in addition to law enforcement are notified of Tier 2 sex offenders because of the possibility that pedophiles and sexual predators will be drawn to these places.

Richtman was taken into custody and charged in 2017 after two girls saw him committing a lewd act in an aisle between bookshelves at the Hamilton Public Library while watching a video on his cell phone.

NJ.com reported in 2016 that Richtman was arrested on a similar charge in the Hightstown branch of the Mercer County Library. Prosecutors also told NJ.com he had a prior sex offense conviction in 2011. The registry said he was convicted in 2005 on a charge of endangering the welfare of children.

<https://nj1015.com/nj-sex-offender-charged-with-child-porn-and-sexually-abusing-horse/>

Tip from Facebook leads to child pornography charges against Hagerstown doctor

Dave Rodes The Herald-Mail

February 8, 2022

A Hagerstown doctor has been charged with possessing and sharing child pornography at his home, according to Washington County District Court records.

Mohammad Akmal, 66, is charged with 10 counts of promoting/distributing child pornography and 17 counts of possession of child pornography, court records show.

He was arrested Thursday and initially ordered held without bail, court records show.

Bail was set during a hearing Tuesday before District Court Judge Victoria J. Loblely, who placed Akmal on supervised home detention due to his medical issues, according to defense attorney John Salvatore.

Akmal was released from the Washington County Detention Center on Tuesday afternoon after \$1,500 cash bail was posted, or 10% of the \$15,000 set by the judge, court records and authorities said late Tuesday afternoon. The bail figure was earlier reported as \$5,000.

Akmal is required to remain at home except to go to medical and legal appointments, and he would have to obtain permission from the court to leave for any other reason, Salvatore said.

The charging document filed against Akmal by the Washington County Sheriff's Office states that Akmal is a pain medicine anesthesiology specialist at Anesthesia and Interventional Pain Management Center in Hagerstown.

A voicemail seeking comment was left Tuesday at a telephone number listed for the practice, but it was not immediately returned.

Akmal is accused of knowingly sharing images or videos of minors engaged in sexual conduct between March 24, 2020, and June 6, as well as possessing child pornography between March 24, 2020, and Oct. 26. He told investigators he did not view the images at work, according to the charging document.

Sheriff's office investigators received tips from Facebook that a user had shared videos believed to be child pornography and traced the source to Akmal, the document states.

While serving a search-and-seizure warrant at Akmal's home in October, he acknowledged that he had created a Facebook account "sometime ago." When asked if the name of the account was the name provided in the tip from Facebook, he replied, "maybe something like that," the document states.

Akmal said he browsed Facebook but didn't remember seeing the videos in question. He said Facebook shut down his account "... because (of) browsing some sites" that kept popping up. When asked if he had created a new Facebook account and if he had any active ones he said, "I think so yes," according to the document.

When asked if he knew the people he was sending the videos to on Facebook, he said "I think maybe yes" but that they were not local, the document states.

He said had not ever touched a child, the document states.

Police seized items including computers, cellphones and digital storage devices during the search of Akmal's home, according to the document.

<https://www.heraldmillmedia.com/story/news/local/2022/02/08/child-porn-charges-hagerstown-doctor-mohammad-akmal/6705434001/>

Redwood City man sentenced in child porn case

Curtis Driscoll Daily Journal staff

Apr 19, 2022

A Redwood City man accused of having child pornography images on his computer has been sentenced to one year in county jail and two years supervised probation, the San Mateo County District Attorney's Office said.

Moises Vieyragallegos, 25, pleaded no contest Oct. 15 to possession of child pornography in exchange for no state prison, the DA's Office said. Vieyragallegos was arrested at his home on the 1300 block of Arguello Street June 30 following an investigation.

The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Investigations Bureau received a cyber-tip about cyber-porn through the Silicon Valley Internet Crimes Against Child Task Force.

https://www.smdailyjournal.com/news/local/redwood-city-man-sentenced-in-child-porn-case/article_23bbecc6-bf92-11ec-4a3-33a9ec65ce46.html

Jefferson City man charged with possessing and promoting child porn

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (KMIZ)

By Karl Wehmhoener

Published

April 12, 2022

A Jefferson City man is facing criminal charges for child pornography after a nine-month investigation into several emails sent and received of "apparent child sexual abuse material."

A Cole County prosecutor has charged Murphy Kemplin with possession of child porn and first-degree promoting child pornography.

The Boone County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Task Force was notified of the emails on July 2, 2021, after a tip by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on the alleged Yahoo account. According to court documents, police searched the email account after getting a search warrant and found 11 images of a 14-year-old engaged in sexual activity.

Police identified the suspect, Kemplin, as living at a residence on the 6900 block of A Windmill Lane in Jefferson City. During a post-Miranda interview with Kemplin, he admitted owning the email accounts where police found the photos, according to court documents.

Kemplin is being held without bond at the Cole County Jail. Kemplin does not have a defense attorney listed according to online court records.

<https://abc17news.com/news/crime/2022/04/12/jefferson-city-man-charged-with-possessing-and-promoting-child-porn-2/>

DALTON TEEN JAILED IN ROME AFTER POLICE FIND SEXUAL IMAGES OF CHILDREN

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Dalton Teen Jailed in Rome After Police Find Sexual Images of Children

Nash Joseph Mitchell Thompson, 19 of Dalton, was arrested this week after reports said he was found with numerous images of children engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Police added that Thompson had several children sexual abuse images in his possession.

Thompson is charged with sexual exploitation of a child.

<https://coosavalleynews.com/2022/03/dalton-teen-jailed-in-rome-after-police-find-sexual-images-of-children/>

Clinton man arrested for charges related to child pornography

By Montgomery Malone
March 10, 2022

Thursday,

The Clinton Police Department released information about a man who was arrested for suspicion of possession of child pornography and distribution of child pornography — violation of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Act.

Nathan Alba, of Clinton was arrested for those charges after the initial investigation November 2021.

This investigation began when Detective Mike Bouziden reviewed a cyber tip generated by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). In November of 2021, a social media platform had notified NCMEC of a user who had uploaded and distributed child exploitation material. NCMEC then forwarded the information to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force who later assigned the case to the Clinton Police Department.

During the course of the investigation, Bouziden was able to identify Nathan Alba as the possible suspect. Alba was interviewed and admitted to possessing and distributing child pornography. Bouziden subsequently arrested Alba without incident and he remains incarcerated with no bail until his arraignment.

<https://www.wdnonline.com/news/clinton-man-arrested-charges-related-child-pornography>

Department of Justice
U.S. Attorney's Office
Western District of New York

Rochester Man Arrested On Multiple Child Pornography Charges, Including Production

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Barbara Burns

Friday, April 29, 2022

CONTACT:

BUFFALO, N.Y.-U.S. Attorney Trini E. Ross announced today that Nathan Follett, 35, of Rochester, NY, was arrested and charged by criminal complaint with production, possession, receipt, and distribution of child pornography. The charges carry a mandatory minimum penalty of 15 years in prison.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Meghan K. McGuire, who is handling the case, stated that according to the complaint, in August 2021, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office received a report that Follett was in possession of sexual images of 17 and 14-year-old minors and that Follett also admitted to having sex with a minor without her consent. Subsequent investigation determined that Follett communicated on social media, including Snapchat, with multiple minor girls. Between 2016 and December 2021, Follett is suspected of coercing a total of 11 victims to send naked images to him.

On December 16, 2021, a search warrant was executed at Follett's residence and several digital devices were seized, including two cell phones and two computers. A bag of suspected cocaine was also seized. A forensic review of the electronic devices recovered approximately 106 images and 47 videos of child pornography.

Follett made an initial appearance before U.S. Magistrate Judge Marian W. Payson and was detained.

The complaint is the result of an investigation by the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, under the direction of Sheriff Todd Baxter, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation Task Force, under the direction of Special Agent-in-Charge Stephen Belongia, and the New York State Police, under the direction of Major Barry Chase.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdny/pr/rochester-man-arrested-multiple-child-pornography-charges-including-production>

Newport man arrested on multiple child porn charges

By WITN Web Team

Published: Nov. 2, 2022

CARTERET COUNTY, N.C. (WITN) - A Carteret County man remains in jail after his arrest on child porn charges.

Carteret County deputies said Nathan Gasque was charged with five counts of third degree sexual exploitation of a minor after an undercover investigation by their Internet Crimes Against Children Unit.

The 20-year-old Gasque, who lives in Newport, was arrested Tuesday and is being held on a \$150,000 secured bond.

Deputies say they seized equipment used to facilitate the child porn and that the man had his first court appearance this morning before a judge.

<https://www.witn.com/2022/11/02/newport-man-arrested-multiple-child-porn-charges/>

Rural Green Co. man arrested on child porn, exploitation charges

By Logan Reigstad
June 17, 2022

Posted:

BELLEVILLE, Wis. — An 18-year-old Green County man was arrested Friday on charges of child pornography possession and child sexual exploitation, the county's sheriff's office said.

Deputies arrested Nathan Widish at his home south of Belleville Friday morning without incident after executing a search warrant. He faces one felony charge of child pornography possession and four felony charges of child sexual exploitation, online court records show.

The Green County Sheriff's Office said in a news release that investigators received two cyber tips in the case, leading to the months-long investigation that prompted an arrest warrant to be issued for Widish.

He is being held in the Green County Jail ahead of a preliminary court appearance. Online records did not list any future court dates in the case as of Friday afternoon.

<https://www.channel3000.com/rural-green-co-man-arrested-on-child-porn-exploitation-charges/>

Blotter: Victoria man arrested on suspicion of child pornography

Advocate Staff
Report

Jun 9, 2022

Nathan Withers, 21, of Victoria, was arrested by Texas Department of Safety troopers Wednesday on suspicion of possession of child pornography and possession of child pornography with the intention to promote child pornography.

ARRESTED

- VICTORIA — A 27-year-old Victoria man by deputies June 8 on suspicion of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.
- VICTORIA — A 32-year-old Victoria man by deputies June 8 on a warrant charging him with possession of a controlled substance 1 gram or less.
- VICTORIA — A 28-year-old Victoria woman by deputies June 8 on suspicion of manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance 4-200 grams.
- VICTORIA — A 62-year-old Victoria man by deputies June 8 on warrants charging him with violation of probation in an assault causing injury and possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram cases.
- VICTORIA — A 73-year-old Victoria woman by deputies June 8 on suspicion of possession of a dangerous drug and possession of a controlled substance 3-28 grams.
- VICTORIA — A 45-year-old Victoria woman by deputies June 8 on a warrant charging him with violation of probation in an assault causing injury to a family member case.
- VICTORIA — A 23-year-old Cuero man by officers June 8 on warrants charging him with interfering in an emergency request for assistance, criminal mischief \$100-\$750, assault of a family member by impeding breath or circulation, sexual assault, and burglary.
- VICTORIA — A 27-year-old Victoria man by troopers June 8 on suspicion of evading arrest or detention in a vehicle and racing on a highway.

- VICTORIA — A 46-year-old Victoria man by officers June 8 on a warrant charging him with parole violation.
- VICTORIA — A 45-year-old Victoria man by officers June 8 on a warrant charging him with assault causing injury to a family member.
- VICTORIA — A 39-year-old Victoria man by officers June 8 on two counts of suspicion of manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance 4-200 grams, manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance 4-400 grams, manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance 1-4 grams, three counts of manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance less than 28 grams, manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance 28-200 grams, possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, suspicion of abandoning a child by criminal negligence and suspicion of a Class C misdemeanor.
- VICTORIA — A 43-year-old Laredo man by officers June 8 on suspicion of evading arrest or detention and on a warrant charging him with aggravated robbery.
- VICTORIA — A 30-year-old Victoria man by officers June 8 on suspicion of criminal trespass and assault of a family or household member with a previous conviction.
- VICTORIA — A 29-year-old Victoria woman by deputies June 8 on a warrant charging her with bail jumping and failure to appear, bond forfeiture warrant in a possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram case, and three warrants for Class C misdemeanors.
- VICTORIA — A 27-year-old Kenedy man by officers June 8 on a warrant charging him with assault of a pregnant woman.

https://www.victoriaadvocate.com/news/blotter-victoria-man-arrested-on-suspicion-of-child-pornography/article_5b1c7b84-e816-11ec-a23b-8b6df7491079.html

Nashua police arrest 12 in sex crime sweep

Staff Report
Feb 9, 2022

Nashua police on Tuesday announced the arrest of a dozen individuals on charges related to either sexual exploitation of children on the internet, or failure to register as sexual offenders.

Seven were arrested on charges related to possession or distribution of online images of child sexual abuse, according to a news release.

Johnny Oriol, 41, of 4 Pine Grove Ave., Nashua, was charged with prohibited uses of computer services, and attempted felonious sexual assault, both Class B felonies. Police allege that Oriol was communicating on a computer with an individual he believed to be a child.

Vincent Giugno, 18, of Hopkinton, Mass., was charged with 10 counts of possession of child sexual assault images, a Class A felony, as a result of an investigation into the sexual exploitation of children on online platforms.

Sean Olivera, 30, of 190 Ledge St., Nashua, was charged with two counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images, and three counts of possession of child sexual abuse images.

Erin Taylor, 23, of 34 Kessler Farm Drive, Nashua, was charged with five counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images.

Nathaniel Guerra, 21, of 18 Conant Road, Nashua, was charged with five counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images.

Noah Hesse, 23, of 213 Brook Village Road, Nashua, was charged with two counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images; three counts of possession of child sexual abuse images; three counts of indecent exposure and lewdness; and prohibited uses of computer services.

Jordan Fernandes, 22, of 7 Commercial St., Nashua, was charged with three counts of distribution of child sexual abuse images.

Five people also were arrested for failure to properly register with law enforcement after prior convictions for sexual assault, according to the release.

David Montes-Rodriguez, 32, of 33 Ash St., Nashua, convicted in 2008 of aggravated felonious sexual assault, was charged with three counts of failing to register his online identifiers.

Keith Herbert, 44, of 23 Temple St., Nashua, was charged with violating the duty to inform, subsequent offense, for failing to report information about vehicles registered in his name. Herbert was convicted of aggravated felonious sexual assault in Massachusetts in 1998.

Rickie Duncan, 66, of 30 Amory St., Nashua, convicted of unlawful sexual intercourse in Utah in 1993, was charged with failing to report, subsequent offense.

Kenneth Amber, 74, 44 Chestnut St., Nashua, who was convicted in 1995 of indecent assault and battery against a child under 14 in Massachusetts, was charged with failing to report, subsequent offense.

Kenneth Haley, 44, 57 Harbor Ave., Nashua, was arrested for failing to complete his sex offender registration, required after a 2008 conviction for aggravated felonious sexual assault.

Nashua police investigated the 12 cases with assistance from the New Hampshire Internet Crimes against Children Task Force, Homeland Security Investigations and the U.S. Marshal Service.

The arrests were made on Monday, coinciding with "Safer Internet Day," a global public awareness campaign that promotes the safe use of digital technology, especially among children and youths, according to the news release.

https://www.unionleader.com/news/crime/nashua-police-arrest-12-in-sex-crime-sweep/article_e7d0491b-ab12-539e-925d-efcf661c11cc.html

Sullivan man arrested for possession of child pornography

March 18, 2022

Sullivan – On Thursday, March 17th, troopers with the Indiana State Police Putnamville District and Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) arrested 24-year-old Nathaniel A. Privette, of Sullivan, on a charge of possession of child pornography a Level 5 felony.

The investigation began when a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) was received by the ICAC Task Force. As a result of the investigation, a search warrant was obtained through the Sullivan Superior Court and served Thursday morning at Privette's home on St. Clair Street in Sullivan. Based on preliminary findings as a result of the search warrant, Privette was interviewed and subsequently incarcerated at the Sullivan County Jail.

Anyone having any information related to crimes against children is encouraged to contact their local law enforcement agency or visit the NCMEC website at <http://www.missingkids.com/home> and find the link to make a CyberTipline report.

<https://www.wbiw.com/2022/03/18/sullivan-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Minooka Man Indicted on 16 Child Porn Charges, Bond Conditions Modified

Justin Ritz

Feb 22, 2022

A 19-year-old Minooka man was indicted on 16 counts of possessing child porn charges by a Grundy County grand jury on Wednesday. Nicholas Chaidez was originally charged with 12 counts of possessing child pornography, all class two felonies. After further investigation, four more counts were added this week.

Grundy County court records show Chaidez is accused of possessing 16 videos or photos of a nude child under the age of 18 at his residence. Chaidez was arrested on January 19th. The Grundy County Sheriff's Office was notified by the Minooka Police Department that Chaidez allegedly had child pornography.

Chaidez remains free on a \$20,000 bond. In late January, Chaidez's bond conditions were modified which allows him to attend college courses and to submit coursework online via Internet.

Chaidez can't interact with any minors while attending courses and only use the Internet for the sole purpose of submitting coursework.

https://www.wspynews.com/news/local/minooka-man-indicted-on-16-child-porn-charges-bond-conditions-modified/article_ff311140-9185-11ec-a789-67d0b1d28c85.html

Illinois State Police arrest a man on Child Pornography charges

Police arrest 25-year-old male for six counts of Possession of Child Pornography (WIFR)

By WIFR Newsroom

Jun. 9, 2022

OCKFORD, Ill. (WIFR) - On June 7, 2022, Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation officials arrested 25-year-old Nicholas E. Duitsman from Polo, IL, for six counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

Investigators executed an arrest warrant at Duitsman's residence in the 1800 block of Brookfield Road, Polo, IL, following an investigation involving the crime of child pornography. During the investigation, the investigators secured evidence supporting the arrest of Duitsman. He is currently being held in Ogle County Jail on a \$50,000 bond. The investigation is ongoing.

<https://www.wifr.com/2022/06/09/illinois-state-police-arrest-man-child-pornography-charges/>

Austintown man indicted on child porn charges

By: Patty Coller

Posted: Jan 3, 2022

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio (WKBN) – An Austintown man was indicted on child pornography charges.

Nicholas James Marshall, 25, of Bainbridge St., is facing 25 counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor or impaired person.

Marshall was arrested following a raid at his house in September 2021

According to a police report, authorities were tipped off by Google in August 2021 that Marshall had downloaded graphic sexual images of prepubescent children.

Investigators said the images showed unclothed children in various sex acts with adults and others. There was also a focus on the children's body parts in many of the images, they said.

Police tracked the downloaded images to an IP address and email account for Marshall with the username of sh*tforbrains153, a screen name of Blumpkinki and a cell phone he owned, according to a police report.

Online records do not show an upcoming court date as of yet.

<https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/austintown-man-indicted-on-child-porn-charges/>

Local man accused of pandering child pornography through Facebook

By WKRC

Thursday, July 14th 2022

CINCINNATI (WKRC) - A local man is accused of sending images of child pornography through Facebook Messenger.

23-year-old Nicholas Newberry was arrested Thursday.

He faces multiple counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor.

According to court documents, the material involved children as young as infants.

Newberry was arraigned Friday morning. A judge ordered him held on \$100,000 bond.

<https://local12.com/news/local/local-man-accused-pandering-child-pornography-through-facebook-nicholas-newberry-obscenity-sexually-explicit-material-messenger-social-media-cincinnati-ohio>

Clermont Co. man charged with 34 counts of child pornography

'Our obligation is to make sure these defendants are punished.'

By Courtney King

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BATAVIA, Ohio (WXIX) - A grand jury on Thursday indicted a Stonelick Township man on dozens of child pornography charges.

Clermont County Prosecutor Mark Tekulve says this is one of the largest child porn cases he's seen.

"This is a very significant case," he said.

Nicholas Orihuela, 34, is being held at the Clermont County Jail on a \$100,000 bond across 34 criminal counts.

Tekulve says the investigation started Jan. 18 and moved quickly.

"Law enforcement received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which led them to this defendant," he explained.

The tip alleged Orihuela had uploaded and shared child porn from his home.

"Whenever you have this sort of situation with this sort of evidence, you realize there is inherent danger to the community," Tekulve said. "So in that sense, we approach it as a very urgent and sensitive thing to get him in front of a grand jury and get him indicted.

Sheriff's detectives obtained a warrant and searched Orihuela's home last Thursday.

Investigators allegedly found large quantities of uploaded sexual videos and images of young children.

Authorities say Orihuela confessed to uploading the videos.

"Anytime a child is involved in an act of sexual abuse, it is by its very nature disturbing,

whether it occurs here in our county or anywhere in this country,” Tekulve said. “Even when we find images, they could be from anywhere globally. They still get the wrath of our office, and our obligation is to make sure these defendants are punished.”

The investigation is ongoing, and Orihuela could face more charges.

He will be back in court on Friday.

See a spelling or grammar error in our story? Please include the title when you click here to report it.

<https://www.fox19.com/2022/01/28/clermont-co-man-charged-with-34-counts-child-pornography/>

Police: 73-year-old West Islip man arrested for possession of child porn

By: News 12 Staff Mar 29, 2022, 5:27pm Updated on Mar 29, 2022

A West Islip man has been arrested for possessing child pornography, according to authorities.

Police say Nicholas Pedagno, 73, was posing as a younger person on at least eight different social media accounts across seven platforms.

Following a search of his iPad, detectives say his username included lisabutterfly2, love361569 and others.

Neighbors with children were stunned to hear of the accusations.

"I think it's terrible, it's not something you want on your block," says West Islip resident Mike Robertson. "My kids walk home from school down that road every day."

Laura Ahearn is an advocate for victims of childhood sexual abuse with the group Parents for Megan's Law.

She says predators often pose as children on social media to solicit naked pictures, which they then use to blackmail the victim

"After they send the first picture, they trap them into sending more by saying they're going to tell their friends or their parents, they'll put it on Facebook and expose them," Ahearn says. "So a child gets caught in this."

Pedagno was issued a desk appearance ticket. He is charged with a felony and will be arraigned next month.

Detectives are asking anyone who thinks they could be a victim of Pedagno to call the Computer Crimes Unit at 631-852-6279.

<https://brooklyn.news12.com/police-73-year-old-west-islip-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-porn>

Louisiana man charged with 40 counts of child pornography

By Kevin Dudley, Jr. CBS 42 2022-05-12

FERRIDAY, La. (KTVE/KARD_) — On May 2, the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Office began a joint investigation with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office into a case involving child pornography. According to deputies, the case was initiated after receiving a cyber-tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

https://img.particlenews.com/image.php?url=2uFyoy_0fc4mgCr00Nicholas C. Powell

The cyber-tip detailed a suspect in Ferriday, Louisiana downloading child abuse material. Deputies identified the suspect as Nicholas C. Powell, 22.

Authorities were able to obtain and executed a search warrant for Powell's residence. Powell was arrested and charged with 40 counts of pornography involving juveniles.

<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/2601251360810/louisiana-man-charged-with-40-counts-of-child-pornography>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Eldridge Man Sentenced to 15 Years in Federal Prison for Child Pornography Charge

DAVENPORT, IA – Nicholas Robert Walker-Bennett, age 33 of Eldridge, was sentenced on Monday, September 26, 2022, to 180 months in prison following his plea to a charge of Receipt and Distribution of Child Pornography. Walker-Bennett was ordered to pay \$3,000 in restitution to each of his fourteen victims, totaling \$42,000.

According to court documents, a cybertip received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children traced back to Walker-Bennett. Walker-Bennett admitted to using a social media application for the exchange of child pornography. Further investigation also revealed that Walker-Bennett engaged in similar conduct for over eleven years, taking many steps to conceal his crime by setting up numerous email addresses.

United States Attorney Richard D. Westphal of the Southern District of Iowa made the announcement. The Scott County Sheriff's Office investigated the case.

This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa as part of the Department of Justice's "Project Safe Childhood" initiative, which was started in 2006 as a nationwide effort to combine law enforcement investigations and prosecutions, community action, and public awareness in order to reduce the incidence of sexual exploitation of children. Any persons having knowledge of a child being sexually abused are encouraged to call the Iowa Sexual Abuse Hotline at 1-800-284-7821.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdia/pr/eldridge-man-sentenced-15-years-federal-prison-child-pornography-charge#:~:text=DAVENPORT%2C%20IA%20%E2%80%93%20Nicholas%20Robert%20Walker,and%20Distribution%20of%20Child%20Pornography>

Deputies: Ocala man sought sex with woman, child; more victims possible

Christie Zizo, Digital Editor
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Nicolas Wallace, 29, arrested in Marion County

OCALA, Fla. – An Ocala man accused of trying to arrange sex with a child and woman he was messaging on social media has been arrested, according to the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Nicolas Wallace, 29, was arrested on Friday. The sheriff's office said the woman told deputies Wallace bragged online about committing child sex abuse and possessing child pornography.

Deputies said he was investigated after the woman filed a report with the sheriff's office in Columbia County about the conversation she'd had with Wallace on social media, where Wallace allegedly claimed to have sexually battered young girls on several occasions.

When Columbia County deputies contacted Wallace undercover while using the woman's social media account, they say Wallace claimed he had unrestricted access to a child and could arrange a sexual encounter and bring the child with him. The sheriff's office said he also explained how he groomed the children for sexual activity.

The Columbia County Sheriff's Office contacted Marion County deputies when they located Wallace in Ocala. The Marion County Sheriff's Office was already investigating Wallace for allegedly uploading child sex abuse material to a social media platform.

Wallace was arrested and faces charges of transmission of child pornography, possession of child pornography, solicitation to commit sexual battery on a victim under 12, promoting the sexual performance of a minor, and unlawful use of a two-way communication device. More charges are anticipated, deputies said, after a forensic examination is completed of his cell phone and tablet.

Wallace is being held on a \$95,000 bond.

The sheriff's office believes there may be more victims, based on Wallace's statements. If you or someone you know may have been victimized, you're asked to call Detective King at 352-368-3586.

<https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2022/10/18/deputies-ocala-man-sought-sex-with-woman-child-more-victims-possible/>

Man who allegedly exposed himself to victims while sitting in his vehicle is arrested by Fontana detectives

Sep 9, 2022 Updated Sep 9, 2022

A man who allegedly exposed himself to victims while sitting in his vehicle has been arrested, according to the Fontana Police Department.

The case began when detectives from the Fontana P.D.'s Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Noah Joseph Webster, 21, was allegedly downloading and distributing child pornography over the internet.

On Sept. 9, a search warrant was served at Webster's residence in the Rosena Ranch area of San Bernardino to gather evidence. Webster was in custody in connection with an unrelated incident. During the search warrant, detectives seized multiple electronic devices.

Through the course of the investigation, detectives discovered Webster had multiple videos of himself sitting in his vehicle in public parking lots. While in his vehicle, Webster would wait for unsuspecting victims to park next to his vehicle. While the victims exited their vehicle, Webster would allegedly expose himself and masturbate so the victim would [see](#) him.

Detectives are seeking the public's help to identify any victims. The following is a list of Webster's previous social media screen names:

Twitter: jn4206969

Twitter: cumlust

Twitter: gotbannedlol69

SnapChat: yolowasup1234

Anyone who may have had contact with Webster is asked to contact the Fontana Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force at: FONTANAPDICAC@FONTANA.ORG

Detectives filed additional charges of possession and distribution of child pornography and booked the suspect at West Valley Detention Center.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/man-who-allegedly-exposed-himself-to-victims-while-sitting-in-his-vehicle-is-arrested-by/article_e0b630e6-30a0-11ed-9331-0b8a75d0e3f1.html

Arkansas Teen Who Recorded Himself Raping 7-Year-Old Boy 'Because He Was Curious' Also Told Cops 'He Was Not Attracted to Children': Affidavit

JERRY LAMBE
Feb 3rd, 2022

Noel Bonilla-Jimenez appears in a Benton County, Ark. Jail mugshot.

An 18-year-old in Arkansas is behind bars after police say he recorded video of himself raping a little boy and then sent the footage out on social media. Noel Bonilla-Jimenez was taken into custody on Jan. 27 on suspicion of two counts of rape involving a victim under 14, according to court documents and jail records reviewed by Law&Crime. The defendant was also accused of one count of using a computer to exploit a child and two counts of possessing, distributing and viewing child pornography. The charges are docketed in two separate actions in Benton County, Ark.

According to court papers, an officer with the Rogers Police Department in June 2021 received several tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding suspicious material being uploaded by a social media user.

The first tip came to the NCMEC directly from Instagram, per a probable cause affidavit. The company indicated that a user shared a video file with another user that contained a digital fingerprint known as a hash value. The file was previously flagged as Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) involving a prepubescent female engaging in sex acts with an adult male. The following day, another user reportedly shared the video, again resulting in the social media company flagging the video.

Court records say a similar series of events were flagged by Snapchat when a user attempted to share the same video on that platform.

In these instances, the social media companies shared the users' names, phone numbers, and other account information with the NCMEC; that organization then shared it with the local authorities. Investigators were then able to trace the user's cell phone and identified the device's owner as Bonilla-Jimenez.

In November, the NCMEC received a tip from a woman who wished to remain anonymous. That woman claimed Bonilla-Jimenez employed the username "loweredjimenez" to send her multiple videos of a boy believed to be five or six years

old "masturbating him and giving him oral sex," the court records indicate. NCMEC again forwarded the tip to the police.

A detective was able to contact the woman in December, the records continue. She allegedly said she had recently met Bonilla-Jimenez at work and that they exchanged Snapchat information. The woman said that she checked the defendant's account and saw videos that appeared to show the defendant receiving a sex act from "a prepubescent male." The tipster saved the video to turn it over to police, the documents say.

The detective watched the video and confirmed that "a Hispanic male, later identified as Noel Bonilla-Jimenez" was the man depicted with the child. The child was referred to in the court record as John Doe-8.

"In the video clips I could hear Noel telling John Doe-8 to 'show your face' as he was recording," the document says.

Bonilla-Jimenez's mother reportedly viewed the video in the presence of police and she confirmed that the adult in the video was her son. She identified John Doe-8 and said the victim appeared to be seven years old when the video was shot. She also indicated that the recording appeared to have been shot in a bathroom inside of her home.

Police arrested Bonilla-Jimenez. Court records say he initially denied knowing the boy during interviews with investigators. He then allegedly confessed to engaging in and filming the alleged rapes. He told investigators that he and the child had "already discussed and dealt with the incident" and conceded that the detectives "basically know everything."

Per the affidavit, Bonilla-Jimenez admitted that he had sexual encounters with the boy approximately three times, at least one of which took place in his vehicle while parked in the driveway of his home.

"Noel told me that he had John Doe-8 perform oral sex on him because he (Noel) was curious," the affidavit says. "Noel stated he was not attracted to children and he would not offend on another child."

Bonilla-Jimenez also claimed the videos were several years old and that he hadn't seen John Doe-8 in approximately four or five years, the court records indicate.

“John Doe-8 was later interviewed at the Children’s Advocacy Center and he did not disclose any sexual abuse,” per the affidavit. “When the interviewer asked about seeing a video with him in it, John Doe-8 began to cry and said he wanted to leave the room.”

After the interview, John Doe-8’s mother confirmed that her son was the boy depicted in the footage performing oral sex on Bonilla-Jimenez. She said the video appeared to have been filmed last year, when her now-8-year-old child was seven. Investigators believe Bonilla-Jimenez was “approximately 17-years-old when he raped John Doe-8,” the records continue.

A search warrant was obtained and executed for several of Bonilla-Jimenez’s electronic devices. A forensic search of two cell phones, an iPad, a desktop computer, and two flash drives revealed the video on more than one device. One of the phones reportedly showed that he also sent the video to someone using WhatsApp with accompanying text that read “7-year-old boy.”

Bonilla-Jimenez was taken into custody and processed at the Benton County Detention Center. His bond was set at \$250,000. He is currently scheduled to appear before Judge Robin Green in Benton County Circuit Court on March 17 for his arraignment.

<https://lawandcrime.com/crime/arkansas-teen-who-recorded-himself-raping-7-year-old-boy-because-he-was-curious-also-told-cops-he-was-not-attracted-to-children-affidavit/>

Police, Sheriffs arrest man for sexual exploitation of a minor

By WECT Staff

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TOPSAIL BEACH, N.C. (WECT) - A 25-year-old resident of Topsail Beach was arrested Thursday for sex offenses involving a minor.

Oliver Wendell Alphin, III was arrested and charged with nine counts of Second-Degree Sexual Exploitation of a Minor following an investigation by the Pender County Sheriff's Office and Topsail Beach Police Department.

A tip from the National Center for Missing Exploited Children and the North Carolina SBI Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force led to the investigation.

Alphin was given a secured bond in the amount of \$150,000 and was scheduled for his first court appearance Friday March 18. Additional charges are expected.

The Pender County Sheriff's Office asks members of the public with information concerning Alphin or his involvement in possessing child pornography to contact Detective-Sergeant Steve Clinard at 910-259-1437.

<https://www.wect.com/2022/03/19/police-sheriffs-arrest-man-sexual-exploitation-minor/>

CRIME

UPDATE: Additional porn charges handed to Dothan teen

by: Michael Rinker

Posted: May 12, 2022

DOTHAN, [Ala \(WDHN\)](#) — Additional charges have now been filed against Omarion Jackson, an 18-year-old from Dothan.

On April 5th, Jackson was arrested and charged with 50 counts of possession of child pornography.

On May 11th, citing additional evidence, the Dothan Police Department charged Jackson with 24 counts of Dissemination of Child Pornography.

This brings the total number of charges Jackson is facing to 74.

In total, his bond has now accumulated to \$720,000.

DOTHAN, Ala (WDHN) — A Dothan teenager was arrested Tuesday after a police investigation alleges that Omarion Jackson was in possession of child pornography.

The 18-year-old has been charged with 50 counts of possession of child pornography.

The investigation began after a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children was given to the Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

There the agencies worked alongside Dothan Police which led to the arrest.

More evidence is being reviewed in this case and could result in additional charges. Jackson's bond currently sits at \$750,000.

<https://www.wdhn.com/news/crime/dothan-teen-arrested-on-50-child-porn-charges/>

Naples teen charged with 25 plus counts of possession of child pornography

By NBC2 News 2022-07-19

COLLIER COUNTY, Fla. – A Naples teen has been arrested after he was found to be in possession of child pornography.

Orlando Sanchez, 16, has been charged with 25 counts of possession of child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography with intent to promote after detective retrieved multiple files of child pornography on his Snapchat and Dropbox accounts.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received tips from Snapchat and Dropbox, who then informed the Collier County Sheriff's Office about the possible transmission of child pornography.

An investigation by the Collier County Special Crimes Bureau determined that the files were being transferred from Sanchez's home. Following a search warrant and investigation, deputies were able to determine that Sanchez created the accounts.

Detectives recovered numerous items of digital media. The files discovered depicted children younger than 12 engaged in sexual activity with adults and other children.

<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/2672738544089/naples-teen-charged-with-25-plus-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography>

Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputies make arrest in child pornography investigation

By WJBD Staff Sep 23, 2022

An investigation into alleged child pornography activity has led to the arrest of a 23-year-old Mt. Vernon man.

Owen Capogreco of South 19th Street was taken into custody Wednesday on a Jefferson County warrant charging five counts of possession of child pornography involving a victim under 13. Bond is set at \$100,000.

The investigation began on August 17th when the detective division of the sheriff's department received a tip of suspected child pornography activity through their membership with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Multiple search warrants were eventually issued, including one for the suspect's residence on South 19th Street on September 15th.

<https://southernillinoisnow.com/2022/09/23/jefferson-county-sheriffs-deputies-make-arrest-in-child-pornography-investigation/#:~:text=An%20investigation%20into%20alleged%20child,Bond%20is%20set%20at%20%24100%2C000>

Auburn area man arrested on child pornography charges

Stacey Adams

May 28, 2022

The Auburn Police Department reported Thursday an individual was arrested on suspicion of sending and receiving child pornography.

According to APD, the department began receiving CyberTips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children indicating someone in the Auburn area was sending and receiving videos and images depicting child pornography in 2021. APD received more than nine CyberTips regarding the same household.

APD detectives identified the household after obtaining multiple warrants and conducted surveillance, the police department reported.

Thursday morning, APD and Placer County Probation served a warrant at the suspect's residence and more than 40 evidence items were seized. According to APD, the suspect who obtained the images and videos was identified as Pablo Carlos Blancas, 25.

Blancas was charged with possession of child pornography and booked into the Placer County Jail.

According to APD, detectives obtained a bail enhancement for Blancas to remain in custody. Blancas remained in custody Friday with bail set at \$450,000.

<https://goldcountrymedia.com/news/226946/auburn-area-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/>

Portage man arrested for possession of child pornography

May 25, 2022

Portage – On Tuesday, May 24th members of the Indiana State Police Cyber Crimes Unit and the Lowell Post All Crimes Policing Team (ACP) served a search warrant in the 2400 block of Monnier Street in Portage.

As a result, Patrick J.O. Alaniz, 24, from Portage was arrested. This arrest was the result of an extensive investigation conducted by detectives from the Indiana State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The investigation began after a Cybertip was received in September 2021 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding activities on a cloud-based digital storage account associated with Alaniz.

Alaniz was transported to the Porter County Jail where he will remain until an initial hearing. He has been charged with three level 5 felonies and three level 6 felonies related to the possession of child pornography.

<https://www.wbiw.com/2022/05/25/portage-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/>

EGG HARBOR CITY MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION, DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORONOGRAPHY

June 21, 2022

A 26-year-old Egg Harbor City man has been charged in connection with the distribution of child abuse images and videos via a social messaging application. Patrick W. Daly, 26, was arrested without incident and lodged in the Atlantic County Justice Facility.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received multiple referrals of inappropriate content distributed on the social media application KIK. A subsequent investigation led Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office Detectives to identify Daly and locate more than 1000 images and videos of child sexual exploitation in his possession. He was served with three (3) 2nd degree charges surrounding the possession and distribution of child abuse images via a social messaging service.

The Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Unit was assisted by the United States Department of Homeland Security Investigations, the Galloway Township Police Department and the Ocean City Police Department.

***These charges are merely an accusation and not proof of guilt. In all criminal cases, a charged defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty. ***

Anyone with information involving serious crimes is asked to call the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office at 609-909-7900 or go to the Prosecutor's Office Web site at

<https://www.acpo.org/egg-harbor-city-man-charged-with-possession-distribution-of-child-poronography/>

Alabama man charged with 20 counts of child pornography possession

By: Cody Giles

Posted: Jan 1, 2022

ENTERPRISE, Ala. (WDHN) — Patrick Lofton of Enterprise was charged with 20 counts of possession with the intent to disseminate child pornography and one count of production of child pornography.

“We received a cyber tip yesterday in relation to someone downloading child pornography,” Chief Deputy of Dale County Mason Bynum said. “We immediately launched an investigation and got a warrant for the 4800 block of Rucker Boulevard.”

And there was enough to make an arrest immediately.

“So far we found some digital devices we believe contain child porn. In the manner they were stored and being held we have charged him with possession with intent to disseminate child pornography,” Chief Bynum said.

Though Level Plains is primarily in the Coffee County Sheriff’s jurisdiction, Dale County has jurisdiction over the two miles that Lofton’s address falls in.

Bynum said charges like these are handled with the utmost importance by the DCSO.

“Last night we were assisted by SBI. But if it gets to a point where we believe he violated any federal statutes, then we will bring in the FBI to pursue federal charges,” said Bynum. “Very serious felonies right now just looking t some serious time if convicted. We have a long way to go. Hopefully, after we do the forensic analysis of the devices we will have more clarity. Right now they are very serious charges and something we take very seriously.”

Forensic investigators are still examining Lofton’s devices, so new charges are possible.

This is an ongoing investigation, stay with WDHN News for updates.

<https://www.cbs42.com/news/crime/alabama-man-charged-with-20-counts-of-child-pornography-possession/>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 31, 2022

Thursday,

Cumberland Man Charged With Possessing And Distributing Child Pornography

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – A Cumberland man made an initial appearance in federal court on Wednesday, charged with allegedly possessing and distributing child pornography, announced United States Attorney Zachary A. Cunha.

Patrick K. Newton, 26, is charged by way of a federal criminal complaint with distribution of child pornography, and possession and access with intent to view child pornography. He was released on unsecured bond following an appearance before a United States Magistrate Judge.

It is alleged in charging documents that, in January, a Homeland Security Investigations agent reviewed information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding a person allegedly downloading and sharing child pornography. The agent determined that an email and IP address allegedly belonging to Newton was being used to view and share the material.

On Wednesday, HSI and members of the Rhode Island State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force executed a court-authorized search of Newton's residence. It is alleged that videos and images of child pornography were discovered during a brief on-scene forensic preview of a cell phone and a digital storage device belonging to Newton. Several computers, cell phones, and a second digital storage device were seized and will further analyzed by the ICAC Task Force.

A federal criminal complaint is merely an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul F. Daly, Jr.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-ri/pr/cumberland-man-charged-possessing-and-distributing-child-pornography>

Fairbury man charged with producing child pornography

By Tanya Koonce and Jason Howell

Published: Oct. 28, 2022

FAIRBURY (25 News Now) - Fairbury Police say evidence was recovered from a Fairbury home Thursday around 2 p.m. leading to the belief that child pornography was being produced and possessed with the intent to distribute.

Police say Paul R. Barth, 51, was arrested and charged with 7 counts of child pornography, possession of child porn video, child porn victim posing, child porn photos victim under 13 and more.

Police say evidence recovered with a search warrant includes upwards of 5,000 pieces of child pornography and further indications, "child porn was being produced in the residence and was being possessed with the intent to distribute."

The Fairbury Police Department received assistance from a variety of agencies including the Livingston County Proactive Unit, Livingston County States Attorney's Office, VCOM 911 and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Barth made his first appearance in court Friday. His next hearing his scheduled for November 9.

Anyone with information related to this case is asked to contact the Fairbury Police Department.

<https://www.25newsnow.com/2022/10/28/fairbury-man-charged-with-producing-child/>

Ocala police arrest man on multiple child porn possession charges

By WCJB Staff

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OCALA, Fla. (WCJB) - An Ocala man is in jail on more than twenty counts of child porn.

35-year-old Paul Kissner was arrested at his home yesterday after Ocala police detectives received tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

When SWAT arrived at his home, Kissner initially denied having any child porn.

After stating detectives would search all of the electronics in his possession, he admitted to having more than one hundred videos of the pornography on his phone.

Kissner is being held on a bond of forty thousand dollars.

<https://www.wcjb.com/2022/06/02/ocala-police-arrest-man-multiple-child-porn-possession-charges/>

Rhineland man pleads guilty to federal child sex trafficking charge

WXPR | By Katie Thoresen
20, 2022

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A Rhineland man pleaded guilty to federal child sex crimes earlier this month.

Paul Osterman, 35, was indicted on federal charges in May of last year.

He was accused of talking to a 13-year-old girl on the "MeetMe" app about having sex in exchange for money and then driving to Illinois to meet her.

Osterman was arrested in September 2020 after a two-year investigation.

Osterman pleaded guilty to the federal child sex trafficking charge against him.

The other two counts were dropped.

As part of the plea agreement, the trafficking a child charges he faces in Marathon and Lincoln Counties would be dropped.

Osterman's sentencing is set for July.

The charge carries a minimum of 15 years in prison.

A judge could sentence him up to life in prison and up to 250-thousand dollars.

<https://www.wxpr.org/crime-courts/2022-04-20/rhineland-man-pleads-guilty-to-federal-child-sex-trafficking-charge>

Lake Forest man charged after allegedly uploading child pornography to server

by Sam Borcia August 20, 2022

Police say they arrested a man in Lake Forest who was allegedly found to have uploaded child pornography to an internet server.

Paul Salgan, 41, of the 300 block of Stablewood Lane in Lake Forest, was charged with four counts of possession of child pornography, a Class 2 felony.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received information that a subject uploaded photos to an internet server, according to Lake Forest police.

The ICAC Task Force notified the Lake Forest Police Department regarding the allegations.

The photos were identified by investigators to be child pornography.

Lake Forest officers worked on the case with investigators from the Lake County State's Attorney's Office.

They were subsequently able to develop sufficient evidence and probable cause to obtain an arrest warrant for Salgan, police said last week.

Court records show the crime occurred in November and a warrant was issued last month after the investigation.

Salgan was arrested on the warrant, processed at the Lake County Jail and held for a bond hearing.

A judge ordered him held on a \$200,000 bond. He was released from custody after posting 10% cash.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for September 14.

<https://www.lakemchenryscanner.com/2022/08/20/lake-forest-man-charged-after-allegedly-uploading-child-pornography-to-server/>

CORRECTION: Jefferson City man arrested after he allegedly uploads child pornography to social media

Leslie Taylor
Jun 8, 2022

CORRECTION: Schofield has no prior arrests for child pornography. The current charge is for possessing more than 20 images of child pornography.

A Jefferson City man is arrested for possessing child pornography, following a five-month investigation.

It was in January when the social media platform, Kik, reported a complaint about a user uploading multiple child pornography videos.

The complaint reached the Boone County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Task Force in April who tracked the account to Paul Schofield.

An arrest warrant was served at Schofield's home on Dove Lake Drive on Tuesday. He's been charged with his second offense of possession of child pornography. Court records state that as officers searched Schofield's home, he admitted they would locate additional child pornography videos on other electronic devices in his possession. All items were seized.

Court records state the majority of videos depicted children between the ages of three and 10 engaging in sex acts with adults.

http://www.kjluradio.com/newsroom/jefferson-city-man-arrested-after-he-allegedly-uploads-child-pornography-to-social-media/article_063bde0c-e75d-11ec-b3b5-03146b97f4e3.html

Man arrested on child pornography charges

By Charles Montgomery

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HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (WAFF) - The Huntsville Police Department arrested a man for possession of child pornography and other sex-related charges.

Perry Antonio Duvall, 37, was charged with production of pornography with minors, first-degree sexual abuse, first-degree voyeurism and 10 counts of possession of child pornography.

Duvall is currently being held in the Madison County Jail on a \$210,000 bond.

<https://www.waff.com/2022/05/31/man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/>

Longtime Warner Center neighborhood council official arrested on child pornography charge

West Valley city official Peter Fletcher, for years a force in development, is out on \$20,000 bail

By ELIZABETH CHOU October 12, 2022

A longtime member of the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council, Peter Fletcher, has resigned after his arrest by police last week on a charge of possessing child pornography.

Police on Sept. 1 served a search warrant at Fletcher's Woodland Hills home and found evidence of child sexual abuse materials on several electronic devices he owned, according to the Los Angeles Police Department. He was booked and later released that day, according to inmate information on the Los Angeles County Sheriff's website. His bail was set at \$20,000.

Detectives with LAPD said they arrested Fletcher after receiving an online tip through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

L.A. City Councilman Bob Blumenfield, who represents Council District 3, including Woodland Hills and Warner Center, issued a statement on Fletcher's arrest, saying, "I am shocked by these sickening allegations and I urge anyone with more information, or believe that they were a victim, to please reach out to law enforcement immediately."

According to the City Clerk's Office, in 2019 Fletcher was elected by four votes to the neighborhood council. The Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council is made up of local elected officials who weigh in on the future of Warner Center, major West Valley developments and other issues in the community.

Fletcher appears to have resigned from the council board in recent days. He was listed on the neighborhood council's website last Friday, then his photo was removed from the website.

Empower LA, the city department that oversees neighborhood councils, said on Tuesday that a person named Peter Fletcher was on the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council "until recently."

An official notice was sent Wednesday by the neighborhood council's vice president, Dena Weiss, announcing that Fletcher and another board member had resigned. The notice did not contain further detail. The announcement noted that the council has several vacancies that must be filled "in order to achieve quorums and continue to conduct community business."

Several members of the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council who saw the booking photo released by LAPD said Fletcher served on their board and Fletcher's wife, Joyce Fletcher, is the board's president.

Peter Fletcher did not respond to efforts to reach him by the Los Angeles Daily News. A spokesperson for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, known as Empower LA, told the Los Angeles Daily News on Tuesday that Peter Fletcher had resigned. Ann-Marie Holman, spokesperson for Empower LA, said the department could not confirm that he was arrested.

Board members told the Los Angeles Daily News his arrest would affect the board, and that Empower LA and the city attorney would be involved in helping the neighborhood council decide what their next steps should be.

Mihran Kaladjian, the neighborhood council board's parliamentarian, said last Saturday that the council has "not met yet since this incident happened, but I just had a conversation with another (executive) board member."

The neighborhood council's regular meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month, so the next meeting typically would take place next Wednesday, if scheduled.

Joyce Fletcher did not respond to inquiries from the Los Angeles Daily News. Information released by the Los Angeles Police Department on her husband's arrest does not charge Joyce Fletcher with any crime, and they do not indicate she was aware of the illegal activity her husband has been charged with.

News of the arrest spread as the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council faced internal turmoil. At least two other members have recently resigned.

Some council members cited complaints about how the board is run by its president Joyce Fletcher and by Peter Fletcher, who had a key role on the board. Some members said he operated the council's social media accounts and Zoom teleconferences.

Logan Fisher, who joined the board in February, told a Los Angeles Daily News reporter Tuesday that several people have resigned since Fisher joined in February. Fisher, 20, said he was not among the critics of the Fletchers. He praised Joyce Fletcher's longtime commitment to the board, saying, "She genuinely cares about her community." But he said that distractions caused by Peter Fletcher's arrest would affect the board's efforts to represent the community and both Fletchers should resign.

"I think a lot of people are considering resigning, just because if they do stay on, a lot of people do not want to be associated with the neighborhood council at that point, me included," he said.

On Tuesday, Fisher, who chaired the neighborhood council's Youth Advocacy Committee and served on the board's Education Committee, submitted his resignation to the board via email.

He did not cite LAPD's arrest of Peter Fletcher but said his need to give more attention to school "is simply too much to juggle, along with serving on the council."

Fisher told the Daily News that a key reason he joined the council was to promote more civic engagement among youth in his community.

The Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council is part of a citywide system of advisory panels whose members review and weigh in on projects in their neighborhoods, receive funds to use in their areas, file official statements on city issues, and who are allotted five minutes — longer than provided for typical public comment — to present statements at L.A. City Council and commission meetings. The city must consult with neighborhood councils on the budgeting process.

The neighborhood councils operate independently from the city council. Blumenfield's office said the councilman "respects their autonomy as an advisory body and does not get involved in their personnel decisions."

Several people who serve on the neighborhood council told the LA Daily News that Joyce and Peter Fletcher have been involved with the neighborhood council for many years. A 2013 Empower LA newsletter said Peter Fletcher had been on the council since at least 2013.

In a candidate statement during a 2012 campaign to fill a seat on the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council, Fletcher described himself as a 20-year resident who owned a firm in Woodland Hills, Plan R Marketing. He was active on the

neighborhood council as its “social media manager” for the board’s Outreach Committee and described attending board meetings, and its land use and mobility committee meetings. According to his campaign statement, he worked in corporate management at Sony Music for nearly 30 years.

In a 2014 candidate statement, Fletcher wrote that he had served on the council for 18 months, and as a member of the community outreach committee he handled the council’s website, Facebook and Twitter social media accounts. He said he “represented” the neighborhood council at “VCC Concerts on the Green” for four years.

Prior to the resignations this week, including that of Fletcher, at least two other people had also resigned in recent months from Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council, citing complaints about how both Joyce and Peter Fletcher ran the board’s meetings. Alex Farassati, who resigned in August, described the Fletchers as taking an “authoritarian” approach.

He claimed that the Fletchers recently tried to stymie council members’ efforts to recommend scaling down a proposed renovation of a food pantry. Farassati wrote in his resignation that the council’s Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee had “correctly disapproved” the proposed project, and had instead approved a “modified, scaled-down version of the project application based on stakeholders’ input.”

One of the stakeholders, Nancy McLean, a member of the neighborhood council who later resigned, wrote to the city’s South Area Planning Commission that some neighbors feared the proposed project would lead to “hundreds of cars queue(d) around the streets every week, and people com(ing) into the neighborhood with their carts and loiter(ing) at all hours.”

<https://www.dailynews.com/2022/09/09/longtime-official-serving-on-warner-center-neighborhood-council-is-arrested-on-child-pornography-charge/>

10 internet child porn charges filed against Advance man

By Mike Barnhardt Published 8:35 am Tuesday, February 15, 2022

An Advance man was arrested last week in a nationwide roundup of internet child pornography suspects.

The Davie County Sheriff's Office conducted an operation Thursday, Feb. 10 following up on multiple tips related to internet crimes against children.

Peter M. McDevitt, 77, of 144 N. Niblick Ct., Advance, was charged with 10 counts of third-degree exploitation of a minor. He was given a \$100,000 unsecured bond and placed on house arrest.

"We would like to thank the assisting agencies for helping DCSO protect children from the dangers that come with access to the wide open, all information available, world we live in now," said Davie Sheriff JD Hartman.

Other arrests are likely as officers continue the investigation, he said.

Davie officers were assisted by agents with Homeland Security, FBI, NC SBI, Hickory Police, Mint Hill Police, Mooresville Police, Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, Winston Salem Police, Gaston County Police, Rockingham County Sheriff's Office, Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office, Boone Police, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and the Yadkin County Sheriff's Office.

Officers conducted three search warrants and investigations at 15 more locations. Seventeen electronic devices were seized.

Information led to investigations in other counties and states.

<https://www.ourdavie.com/2022/02/15/10-internet-child-porn-charges-filed-against-advance-man/#:~:text=crimes%20against%20children.,Peter%20M.,and%20placed%20on%20house%20arrest.>

Okaloosa County man charged with 20 counts of child porn possession

By WEAR staff
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Friday,

OKALOOSA COUNTY, Fla. -- A 22-year-old Okaloosa County man is facing 20 counts of possession of child pornography.

Phillip Dahn of Mary Esther was arrested following the execution of a search warrant at his home on Bryn Mawr Boulevard on Wednesday.

"Dahn told [investigators] he knew it was wrong and tried multiple times to stop, but continued to create and delete various accounts," the sheriff's office says in a release.

Dahn is also charged with one count of use of a two way communication device to commit a felony.

The sheriff's office says the investigation began after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children got a tip last December of a user uploading videos of child sexual abuse material.

<https://weartv.com/news/local/okaloosa-county-man-charged-with-20-counts-of-child-porn-possession#:~:text=Okaloosa%20County%20man%20charged%20with%2020%20counts%20of%20child%20porn%20possession,-by%20WEAR%20staff&text=OKALOOSA%20COUNTY%2C%20Fla.,Bryn%20Mawr%20Boulevard%20on%20Wednesday.>

Two men arrested for possession of child sex abuse materials

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Vermont Business Magazine The Attorney General's Office today announced that two men— Quang Le, 58, of South Burlington and Steven J. Renaud, 52, of Hyde Park— were arraigned in Vermont Superior Court last week for separate incidents of possession of child sexual abuse materials.

Quang Le, 58, of South Burlington, Vermont, was arraigned on February 8, 2022, on two felony counts of Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material. The charges brought against Le are the result of a criminal investigation – including the execution of residential and online data search warrants – conducted by the Vermont Internet Crimes Against Children (VT-ICAC) Task Force, including personnel from the Attorney General's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, and the Vermont State Police, with the assistance of the Burlington Police Department and South Burlington Police Department.

The investigation was initiated when the VT-ICAC Task Force received a CyberTipline Report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual was sharing what was suspected to be images of child sexual abuse materials, commonly referred to as "child pornography," through Facebook Messenger. Based upon the criminal investigation of this tip, Le was identified as the source of the suspected content shared through Facebook.

Le pleaded not guilty at his arraignment last week in Vermont Superior Court, Chittenden Criminal Division. The Court, Judge A. Gregory Rainville presiding, ordered conditions of release which prohibit Mr. Le's contact with minors and access to the internet, and imposed a \$2,000 appearance bond.

In a separate incident, Steven J. Renaud, 52, of Hyde Park, Vermont, was arraigned on February 10, 2022, on five felony counts of Promoting a Recording of Sexual Conduct and one felony count of Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Materials. The charges brought against Renaud are the result of an investigation that was initiated when the FBI forwarded an investigation to the VT-ICAC Task Force relating to an individual promoting what was suspected to be files containing child sexual abuse material on the Kik platform.

The VT-ICAC Task Force also received CyberTipline Reports from the National Center

for Missing and Exploited Children associated with this individual. Based upon the criminal investigation of these tips, Renaud was identified as the source of the suspected content on the identified accounts. During the execution of a search warrant on Mr. Renaud's residence, additional devices were recovered that will be forensically examined.

Renaud pleaded not guilty at his arraignment last week in Vermont Superior Court, Lamoille Criminal Division. The Court, Judge Michael Harris presiding, ordered a \$5,000 unsecured appearance bond and conditions of release which prohibit Mr. Renaud's access to minors, the internet, and devices capable of accessing the internet during the pendency of the case.

The VT-ICAC Task Force investigates cases of child sexual exploitation occurring over the internet, including the production and online distribution of child sexual abuse materials. The VT-ICAC Task Force also provides forensic examination services, technical assistance, law enforcement training, and public education and outreach. The Attorney General's Office, U.S. Attorney's Office, Vermont State Police, Homeland Security Investigations and other federal, state, county, and municipal law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies are affiliated with the VT-ICAC Task Force.

The Attorney General's Office emphasizes that individuals charged with a crime are legally presumed innocent until their guilt is proven beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

<https://vermontbiz.com/news/2022/february/14/two-men-arrested-possession-child-sex-abuse-materials>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

Portland Man on Pretrial Release in Child Sex Abuse Case Indicted for Possessing and Distributing Child Pornography

PORTLAND, Ore.—A federal indictment was unsealed today charging a Portland man with committing child pornography offenses while awaiting trial in a state child sex abuse case.

Raphael Alberto Whitfield, 33, has been charged with possession and distribution of child pornography.

According to court documents, on February 8, 2021, Whitfield was arrested after being indicted in Clackamas County Circuit Court on five counts of first-degree sexual abuse for allegedly abusing a child under the age of eight. Whitfield posted bail and was released the next day. Shortly thereafter, law enforcement in Oregon began investigating Whitfield's use of Discord, an online instant messaging application, to send and receive child pornography. Search warrant returns showed that Whitfield had used the platform to distribute images depicting child sexual abuse as early as September 2020.

Law enforcement continued investigating Whitfield throughout much of 2021. These investigative efforts culminated in an October 2021 search of Whitfield's person, car, and residence. Investigators seized two mobile phones, one of which was later found to contain more than 1,000 images depicting child sexual abuse. Many of these images were collected and saved while Whitfield was awaiting trial in Clackamas County.

On May 17, 2022, a federal grand jury in Portland indicted Whitfield and an arrest warrant was issued. On May 27, 2022, with the assistance of the Portland Police Bureau's Special Emergency Reaction Team (SERT), the FBI executed the arrest warrant at Whitfield's residence. When agents and SERT members knocked and announced their presence, Whitfield barricaded himself in the residence and attempted to take his own life by cutting his throat and wrist with a knife. Whitfield eventually exited the

residence and was arrested and transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Whitfield made his initial appearance in federal court today before U.S. Magistrate Judge Stacie F. Beckerman. He was arraigned, pleaded not guilty, and ordered detained pending a three-day jury trial scheduled to begin on August 2, 2022.

Possession and distribution of child pornography are each punishable by up to 20 years in federal prison, a life term of supervised release, and a \$250,000 fine. Additionally, distribution of child pornography carries a 5-year mandatory minimum prison sentence.

U.S. Attorney Scott Erik Asphaug of the District of Oregon made the announcement. This case was investigated by FBI Portland's Child Exploitation Task Force (CETF). The Portland Police Bureau assisted with Mr. Whitfield's arrest. Assistant U.S. Attorney Mira Chernick is prosecuting the case.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime, and a defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Anyone who has information about the physical or online exploitation of children are encouraged to call the FBI at 1-800-CALL-FBI (1-800-225-5324) or submit a tip online at tips.fbi.gov.

Federal law defines child pornography as any visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct involving a minor. Child sexual abuse material depicts actual crimes being committed against children. Not only do these images and videos document victims' exploitation and abuse, but when shared across the internet, child victims suffer re-victimization each time the image of their abuse is viewed. To learn more, please visit the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's website at www.missingkids.org.

The FBI CETF conducts sexual exploitation investigations, many of them undercover, in coordination with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. CETF is committed to locating and arresting those who prey on children as well as recovering and assisting victims of sex trafficking and child exploitation.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Justice Department to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-or/pr/portland-man-pretrial-release-child-sex-abuse-case-indicted-possessing-and-distributing>

Shawnee man arrested following child pornography investigation in Pottawatomie County

by KOKH STAFF

Wednesday, June 15th 2022

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY (KOKH) — A man was arrested for possession of child pornography following an investigation.

The Pottawatomie County Sheriff's Office opened an investigation after getting a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about an unidentified suspect uploading child porn to social media.

Investigators said they were able to identify the IP address used to upload the child pornography and the specific home address where it was uploaded.

Authorities said that led them to Raymond Acosta of Shawnee. He was booked on one count of possession of child pornography.

His bond was set at \$15,000.

<https://okcfox.com/news/local/raymond-acosta-shawnee-pottawatomie-county-child-porn-social-media-oklahoma-bond-arrest-jail-national-center-for-missing-and-exploited-children>

Conesus man arrested on child pornography charges

by: James Battaglia

Posted: Sep 30, 2022

CONESUS, N.Y. (WROC) — A Conesus man was arrested Friday on felony child pornography charges.

According to New York State Police, Raymond DiPasquale, 56, had 601 pictures and 161 videos depicting sexual assault of children on two devices found during the execution of a search warrant. Investigators began looking into DiPasquale after they got a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

DiPasquale was charged with three counts of possession of a sexual performance by a child. He is scheduled to appear in Geneseo Town Court on October 18.

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/crime/conesus-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-raymond-dipasquale/>



STATE'S
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FREDERICK COUNTY, MD

Two defendants are charged with sex abuse of a minor.

February 25, 2022 - 8:13 pm

Frederick, Md. (KM) – The Frederick County Grand Jury returned 10 indictments on Friday. One of them was against Brad Allen Kelley of Frederick, 36, whose charged with sex abuse of a minor and sex abuse of a minor continuing course of conduct. Authorities say he sexually abused a girl between July, 2018 to November, 2021.

Also indicted was Eduardo Antonio Burgos-Ceron, 42, of Middletown, whose charged with 2nd-degree rape, sex abuse of a minor and sex abuse of a minor continuing course of conduct. The Frederick County Sheriff's Office says Brugos-Ceron sexually abused a girl repeatedly between February, 2014 to February, 2019.

Other indictments returned by the Grand Jury include:

*Chelsey Elizabeth Kern, 25, of Frederick, whose charged with possession of a large amount of heroin; possession of a large amount of fentanyl; possession with intent to distribute heroin; possession with intent to distribute fentanyl; distribution, and possession with intent to distribute a fentanyl-heroin mix; conspiracy to possess a large amount of heroin; possession of heroin; possession of fentanyl; and possession of drug administering equipment (hypodermic needles and syringe) for an offense which occurred on January 19th, 2022:

* Michael Andrew Johnson, 30, , WV, whose charged with possession of a large amount of heroin; possession of a large amount of fentanyl; possession with intent to distribute heroin; possession with intent to distribute fentanyl; distribution and possession with intent to distribute a fentanyl and heroin mix; conspiracy to posses a large amount of heroin; possession of heroin and possession of fentanyl, for an offense which occurred on January 19, 2022.

Both Kern and Johnson are co-defendants.

Two other co-defendants were indicted on Friday by the Grand Jury. They are:

*Aaron Anthony Hammer, 30, of Sharpsburg, Md, whose charged with possession with intent to distribute, conspiracy of possession with intent to distribute fentanyl; and possession of a large amount and conspiracy to possess a large amount of fentanyl, for an offense which took place on January 4th, 2022.

*Brianna Cheree Clanton, 31, of Hedgesville, WV, whose charged with possession with intent to distribute, conspiracy to posses with intent to distribute and possession of a large amount of fentanyl, and conspiracy to possess a large amount of fentanyl and possession of fentanyl; and possession of cocaine and possession of Buprenorphine for an offense which occurred on January 4th, 2022.

Other individuals indicted are:

Robert Stanley Painter, Jr., 58, of St. Thomas, Pa., whose charged with possession with intent to distribute heroin; possession with intent to distributer heroin; possession of heroin; and possession of fentanyl for an offense which occurred on February 10th, 2022.

*Thomas Johnathan Kovak, 27, of Frederick, whose charged with nine counts of possession of child pornography, possession with the intent to promote and distribute child pornography for offenses which occurred between Oct. 7th,k 2015 to January 6th, 2021.

* Rene Mauricio Azmitia-Medrano, 37, if Frederick, whose charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography, and possession with intent to promote and distribute child pornography for offenses which occurred between April 13th, 2021 to January 22nd, 2022.

*Jackie Tyson Lawson, 20, Frederick, whose charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana, use of a firearm in drug trafficking; possession of a registered firearm under the age of 21; having a loaded handgun in a vehicle; and driving without a license for an offense which occurred on January 25th, 2022.

These indictments move these cases to Circuit Court, where trial dates will be scheduled.

The State's Attorney's Office says indictments are charging documents alleging criminal conduct. All defendants are innocent until proven guilty

<https://www.wfmd.com/2022/02/25/ten-indictments-returned-by-frederick-county-grand-jury/>

7 people, including youth minister, arrested for child porn in north Georgia

A teenager was also arrested

Men arrested for child porn in Floyd County, Georgia.(FLOYD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT)

By Joyce Lupiani
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ATLANTA, Ga. (CBS46) - Seven people, including a youth minister, have been arrested in Rome in connection to child pornography and a child was rescued from the youth minister's home, according to Floyd County Police Department.

Those arrested include 64-year-old Jackie Steve Autry, 26-year-old Richard Alan Castleman, 27-year-old Jason Michael Gass, 23-year-old Tyler Antonio Johnson, 25-year-old Austin Wray Perkins and 24-year-old Joab Hayden Stewart. An unidentified teenager was also arrested.

Operation Spring Cleaning was a two-day sweep of the city of Rome, Cave Spring and the unincorporated area to investigate suspicious cyber activity that was relayed to the police department by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, according to a press release. Those tips described images of suspected child pornography, which were later confirmed in some cases where police found graphic depictions of sex acts with children between the ages of two and 12-years-old.

Investigators reportedly visited 21 locations during the course of this operation and made seven arrests. The juvenile who was rescued by police was living with a youth minister who was coaching the child about how to act in videos and also engaging in acts of child molestation. The child had no family for support and had been taken in by the man for care.

The Floyd County Police Department was assisted by the e United States Secret Service Cyber Crime Taskforce for Operation Spring Cleaning. The Secret Service examined 13 items of digital evidence while on location with investigators, totaling five terabytes of data. Police took custody of 26 other devices containing an additional five terabytes of data.

The police department says they expect to make more arrests.

<https://www.cbs46.com/2022/03/10/7-men-including-youth-minister-arrested-child-porn-north-georgia/>

Vernon man arrested on child pornography charges

By Mike Mavredakis Hartford Courant Sep 02, 2022

A Vernon man was arrested for possession of child pornography on Thursday, according to the Vernon Police.

Richard Graf, 65, was arrested and charged with one count of first-degree possession of child pornography after being served an arrest warrant Thursday, police said.

Officers began investigating Graf in August of 2021, police said. Police then obtained a search warrant of his home and executed it in August of 2022.

Police allege that Graf possessed child pornography and child erotica after doing a digital examination of the items seized from his home.

He is being held on a \$200,000 court-set bond and was scheduled to be arraigned in Rockville Superior Court on Friday.

Police are still investigating and are asking anyone with information to contact Detective Thomas Van Tassel at 860-872-9126.

<https://www.courant.com/breaking-news/hc-br-vernon-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges-20220902-dskvulrvdndqnf5vnlk2jlm2ty-story.html>

Seven Upstate men arrested in child porn investigation, new charges filed

By Amanda Shaw

Oct. 28, 2022

WALHALLA, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The Oconee County Sheriff's Office said an investigation with the help of the Department of Homeland Security led to more than half a dozen arrests.

Over the course of two days, investigators executed search warrants at seven different homes based on evidence gathered following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Seven men were charged with possession of child pornography, which depicted victims between under 1 and 16 years old.

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced new charges were filed against five of the men.

In some instances, deputies said the material was also distributed over the internet.

The following suspects were charged:

Ernest Joseph McDonald

23 years old

New Madison Road, Westminster, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that McDonald was arrested on October 18 and released after posting bond. He was placed on an electronic monitoring device as a condition of his bond. However, on October 27 he was arrested and charged with an additional 49 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree charge. He remains in jail on a combined \$490,000 surety bond.

Thomas Gerald Allred

45 years old

Easter Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – Four Counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Allred was charged with an additional four counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He received a combined \$150,000 surety bond on the nine additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Terry Randall Belk, Jr.

23 years old

Oak Tree Drive, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Belk was charged with nine counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was given a \$140,000 surety bond on the additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device, as a condition of bond.

Jon Joseph Carranza

26 years old

Ralph Sheriff Road, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Carranza was charged with two counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was also given a combined \$50,000 surety bond on two additional charges. He will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Richard David Raffl

74 years old

Lake Ridge Circle, Walhalla, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

William Douglas Minner

59 years old

Cheohee Valley Road, Tamassee, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – 20 counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Minner was charged with 80 additional counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He will remain in jail on a \$1 million surety bond on the 100 total charges.

Robert Mann Hagan

74 years old

Violet Fields Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

<https://www.wmbfnews.com/2022/10/20/seven-upstate-men-arrested-child-porn-investigation/>

Celebrity Podcast Host Richard Rierson Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

By DANIEL S. LEVINE - June 4, 2022

Dose of Leadership podcast host Richard Rierson was arrested on child pornography charges in Kansas on May 26. Rierson's podcast included interviews with actor Matthew McConaughey, director Oliver Stone, former NFL coach Bill Cowher, Shark Tank's Barbara Corcoran, and many other celebrities about leadership. Rierson's podcast remains available on Apple Podcasts, although the Twitter page promoting the show no longer exists.

Rierson was arrested during a traffic stop in Witchita in connection with an investigation by the Exploited and Missing Child Unit, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Matthew Lynch told Kansas.com. Rierson, 53, was booked on suspicion of 23 counts of sexual exploitation of a child. Charges have not been filed against Rierson in county district court or Kansas federal court as of Friday yet. Rierson has not publicly commented on his arrest.

The podcast host was arrested under a statute that reads, "possessing any visual depiction of a child under 18 years of age shown or heard engaging in sexually explicit conduct with intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires or appeal to the prurient interest of the offender or any other person." Before launching his podcast, Rierson was a pilot and served in the U.S. Marine Corps, according to his LinkedIn profile. He made the Witchita Business Journal's 40 under 40 list in 2007, when he was a hotel executive.

Rierson's podcast is described as "the ultimate leadership resource of inspiring and educational interviews with relevant and motivating leaders; real-life leadership & influence experts who dedicate their lives to the pursuit of the truth, common sense, and courageous leadership." The most recent podcast was published on May 23. He interviewed Stone in January. Rierson spoke with McConaughey in December 2020, when the actor was promoting his memoir *Greenlights*.

Another, unrelated high-profile case involving child sexual abuse material came to a close late last month. Josh Duggar was sentenced to over 12 years in prison after he was convicted on federal receiving and possessing child pornography. Duggar was arrested in April 2021 in Arkansas and tried in December. He starred in TLC's *19 Kids and Counting*, and his family continued to appear on TLC in *Counting On*.

<https://popculture.com/trending/news/celebrity-podcast-host-richard-rierson-arrested-child-pornography-charges/>

Oklahoma City man charged with possession following child porn trade investigation

By: Kaylee Douglas/KFOR

Posted: Jun 22, 2022

CANADIAN COUNTY, Okla. (KFOR) – The Canadian County Sheriff's Office says an Oklahoma City man is now charged with child pornography possession following an investigation into the trading of material on a social media platform.

Richard Sharp, 58, was arrested June 16, 2022, on two counts of possession of child pornography.

Investigators say Sharp possessed multiple images of children between 2 years old and 11 years old being raped on two different devices.

The investigation began when a cybertip was referred to the Canadian County Sheriff's Office by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation and the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children alleging Sharp was trading child pornography on a social media app, KiK.

On Thursday, June 16, a search warrant was executed at Sharp's residence and multiple electronic devices were seized.

Authorities say an on-scene forensic examination found Sharp had multiple images of child pornography on his cellphone and laptop.

During the search warrant, Sharp was interviewed by investigators and admitted to possessing and trading child pornography on KiK.

"My TOP priority is the protection of children, especially from sexual predators who would devour them if they had a chance. I'm extremely proud of the men and women who work tirelessly to put these horrific monsters behind bars," said Canadian County Sheriff Chris West.

Richard Sharp was taken to the Canadian County Detention Facility and booked on two counts of possession of child pornography.

Sharp's bond was set at \$50,000 and remains in custody.

<https://kfor.com/news/local/oklahoma-city-man-charged-with-possession-following-child-porn-trade-investigation/>

Methodist pastor arrested for possession of child porn, meth

By Joshua Peguero and WBAY news staff
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APPLETON, Wis. (WBAY) - The pastor of Oneida United Methodist Church is being held in the Outagamie County Jail on 20 counts of possession of child pornography and one count of possession of methamphetamine.

Rick Haberland, 48, was arrested Thursday after investigators acted on a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice's Division of Criminal Investigation received a tip from the center's cybertipline. That led them to the church and a nearby home where the church pastor lives.

Church leaders tell us Haberland was arrested inside by authorities. He was booked into the jail at noon. His car was still in the parking lot five hours later.

Church board member Jeremiah Cottrell Duebner reacted to the news with shock, describing the arrest as like a punch to the gut. "Rick was a genuine soul, a good guy, and when I got a phone call from the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department and just told me that he went into custody, I was dumbfounded. I'm still in disbelief because that's not the person that I knew."

The Reverend Dan Schwerin of the United Methodist Conference of Wisconsin gave a statement to Action 2 News, "Our faith calls us to pray for healing for all who are the victims of the crimes that have allegedly taken place. We would encourage prayer as well for the churches, and for Rick Haberland."

The sheriff's office is asking anyone with information that might help their investigation call Sgt. Fitzpatrick at (920) 832-5279 or email him.

Haberland was a reverend at the church for less than two years before his arrest. The Outagamie County Sheriff's Office says he was previously the pastor of New Hope United Methodist Church in De Pere, Suring and Hickory UMC in Suring, Phillips UMC in Phillips, and Tabor UMC in Eden.

This is a developing story. This report will be updated, and we'll have more coverage on Action 2 News.

<https://www.wbay.com/2022/02/24/methodist-pastor-arrested-possession-child-porn-meth/>

REPORT: Police find man with child pornography on phone following tip

May 11, 2022

Polk County Police took a man into custody and have charged him with child pornography possession after a tip ended with his arrest.

Detective B. Brady reported that police arrested Ricky Nelson Gilmer, 59, of 329 Gordon St., Rockmart, was taken into custody on Tuesday around 7 a.m. after police were given a tip that Gilmer – a registered sex offender – might have been involved with child pornography, which is against the terms of his probation.

Police went to Probation officers to get assistance in making contact with Gilmer, and following an interview and an initial review of an electronic device, found child pornography stored within.

He was taken into custody without further incident.

Gilmer remains in jail with no bond set on felony charges of computer pornography, and two counts of sexual exploitation of children – possess or control any material depicting minor in sexually explicit (... is where the charge listing ends on the Sheriff's Office documentation. – KtE)

Det. Brady, who is also a member of the statewide task force battling against children being exploited online, recommends anyone that has information about potential exploitation of children online to <https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/cybertipline>.

<https://polktoday.com/report-police-find-man-with-child-pornography-on-phone-following-tip/>

Conway man arrested in child porn investigation, officials say

By WMBF News Staff
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Published:

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WMBF) - A Conway man is behind bars after being charged in a child pornography investigation.

The South Carolina Attorney's General Office said 61-year-old Ricky Lane Shook, Sr., was arrested Thursday after investigators received a report from the Nation Center or Missing and Exploited Children's CyberTipline.

Officials said an investigation found Shook distributed child sexual abuse material. Shook is facing 13 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor - which carries up to 10 years in prison on each count if convicted.

Online records show Shook was released from the J. Reuben Long Detention Center on Thursday on a \$39,000 bond.

The Horry County Sheriff's Office made the arrest with assistance from the Horry County Police Department.

Stay with WMBF News for updates.

<https://www.wmbfnews.com/2022/03/11/conway-man-arrested-child-porn-investigation-officials-say/>

Man faces 74 child pornography charges in Port St. Lucie

By Gary Detman
April 21st 2022

Thursday,

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (CBS12) — A man from Port St. Lucie is facing more than 70 counts of child pornography.

Police arrested 50-year-old Robert Downs after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The SWAT team and detectives used a search warrant on the suspect's home along SE Glover Street.

Investigators said Downs uploaded videos and images of child pornography to Snapchat and then transmitted the material.

Downs faces 45 counts of transmission of child pornography and 29 counts of possession of child pornography. He is being held on a \$555,000 bond.

<https://cbs12.com/news/local/man-faces-74-child-pornography-charges-in-port-st-lucie>

Man charged with possession of child pornography

Robert Gupton(Washoe County Sheriff's Office)

By Audrey Owsley
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RENO, Nev. (KOLO) - A Reno man released from prison following a child sexual assault conviction in 2004 is now facing new charges of possession of child pornography.

Robert Gupton, 51, was arrested April 14, 2022 following a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) of a transmission of possible child sexual abuse material.

Through their investigation over several months, detectives identified Gupton as the suspect.

Gupton has been booked into the Washoe County Detention Facility on one count of possession of visual pornography of a person under 16, a felony, and one count of lifetime supervision sex offender violation, a felony.

In 2004, Gupton pleaded guilty to two counts of attempted sexual assault of a minor under the age of 14 and was sentenced to prison.

Gupton was released from prison in 2014 and began lifetime supervision by The Nevada State Police Division of Parole and Probation.

<https://www.kolotv.com/2022/04/14/title/>

SC man allegedly used fear to get children across US to send him sexually explicit videos

By Lyn Riddle

Updated October 20, 2022

Law enforcement officers in two South Carolina counties have charged eight men they say were involved in sexually exploiting children. In Anderson, the Sheriff's Office worked with Homeland Security over many months on a case in which a Westminster man is alleged to have blackmailed children across the country into giving him videos of a sexual nature. In Oconee, the Sheriff's Office, also working with Homeland Security, arrested seven men and charged them with sexual exploitation of a minor for distributing videos and photos.

The cases are not related, officials said. Anderson Detective Adele Davis said in a Facebook video released Thursday that she was able to identify 17 victims in South Carolina and 10 other states — Arizona, California, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas and Virginia. All were younger than 12. There were thousands of images on the phone seized during the investigation, Davis said.

"We're talking prepubescent children," Davis said in the Facebook video. "This was somebody that we needed to hone in on and get off the street as soon as possible." The investigation began in March 2021 and an arrest was made in May 2021, citing one victim. Working with Homeland Security, Davis was able to identify 16 more victims. Those charges were brought in August, Sheriff's Office spokesperson Shale Remien said. She said some victims were coerced into sending videos and photos through the use of fear tactics.

Some victims could not be positively identified. Sherman Alexander Turner, 28, of Williamston, faces federal child pornography charges. He is being held in Spartanburg County, jail records show. In Oconee County, seven men were arrested over two days this week after the Sheriff's Office received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The victims — all but one were girls — were 3 to 16 years old, the Sheriff's Office said in a news release.

"At this time, Investigators do not have any evidence that any of the Child Sexual Abuse Material was manufactured inside of Oconee County," the release said. "The evidence seized indicated that the material was possessed by all seven suspects, and in some instances, was then distributed over the internet. Arrested were Ernest Joseph McDonald, 23, Westminster; Thomas Gerald Allred, 45, Seneca; Terry Randall Belk Jr.,

23, Seneca; Jon Joseph Carranza, 26, Seneca; Richard David Raffl; 74, Walhalla; William Douglas Minner, 59, Tamasee; and Robert Mann Hagan, 74, Seneca.

<https://www.thestate.com/news/state/south-carolina/article267647087.html>

Hartsburg teacher arrested on child porn charge

Katie Hlebasko Feb 14, 2022 Updated Feb 14, 2022

HARTSBURG, Ill. (WAND) - A Hartsburg teacher has been arrested and charged with child pornography.

Robert Ham has entered a plea of not guilty and is being held on a \$30,000 bond at the Peoria County Jail.

The School District released a statement saying it was informed late Sunday that Ham was arrested.

"We were shocked and disappointed to learn of the arrest and these troubling allegations. We understand that the Peoria Police Department and DCFS are currently conducting an investigation into the alleged conduct, and the School District is cooperating fully in the ongoing investigation."

The school district said it will pursue its own investigation into the situation and will take any necessary actions.

"The safety and security of our students is paramount, and the appropriateness of the educational environment is of course crucial to our mission."

Ham has been placed on administrative leave pending resolution of the criminal charges per School District policy.

A preliminary court hearing is set for March 14 at 1:30 p.m.

https://www.wandtv.com/news/hartsburg-teacher-arrested-on-child-porn-charge/article_c3c373a8-8db8-11ec-9ab5-3328ce1cbae8.html#:~:text=HARTSBURG%2C%20Ill.,Sunday%20that%20Ham%20was%20arrested

Central Bucks School District Employee Charged with Possession of Child Pornography

Keith Heffintrayer | North Penn Now•
Wed, Sep 07, 2022

UPDATE: Sept. 7. 4:51 p.m. – On response to a request for comment from North Penn Now, Central Bucks School District Superintendent Abram Lucabaugh sent the following statement, which was also emailed to all district families and employees Wednesday afternoon:

Dear Central Bucks community,

I regret to inform you that Robert Murphy, Jr., a member of our district second-shift facilities staff, has been arrested on allegations of possession of child pornography. Upon notification of these charges, the district immediately placed Mr. Murphy on leave pending the outcome of the investigation.

During his time of employment, Mr. Murphy's assigned hours were outside of the student school day. The circumstances of this arrest are not school-related, do not involve Central Bucks students, and Mr. Murphy is not alleged to have possessed these materials on school grounds.

Any additional questions regarding this ongoing investigation should be directed to the attention of the Bucks County District Attorney's office.

Original story follows...

An employee with Central Bucks School District has been arrested after police allegedly found him to be in possession of dozens of videos depicting children and teens being sexually abused.

The investigation officially began on July 5 when members of the Bucks County Detective Bureau received a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding a Google account that had been shutdown after the user uploaded files containing "child erotica/anime and child sexual abuse material." Videos recovered from the account depicted boys between the approximate ages of 8 and 13 years old being sexually abused and engaging in sexual activities, police said.

An initial look at the IP address showed it was registered to a Verizon account in Perkasie. Investigators said the account was later traced to a home along the 500 block of West Walnut Street, in which 28-year-old Robert Murphy Jr. was listed as a resident.

According to the criminal complaint, county detectives reached out to the Perkasio Borough Police Department regarding their investigation, at which point Perkasio Police indicated they had received an anonymous call in early June stating a man named "Robert," living on the 500 block of West Walnut Street, had been "flagged for kiddie porn videos" and his Google account had been flagged. The anonymous caller added that Robert worked at a school as a janitor, police said.

Detectives checked Murphy's employment records and learned he had been employed by Central Bucks School District in the first quarter of 2022, with records also showing he had "been likely working for the district since 2020, the report states. Investigators did not provide further information in the criminal complaint regarding Murphy's role with the district, which facility he worked in, or if he was currently employed there.

On Aug. 26, Murphy met with investigators at his home and allegedly confessed to being sexually attracted to young boys, adding that he views videos of prepubescent and pubescent boys on the social media site Telegram. Murphy also confessed to possessing more than 100 videos of child pornography on his phone in a password protected app called Gallery Vault.

As the interview continued, Murphy reportedly acknowledged that his Google account had been closed because of child pornography and further stated he believed police were going to investigate and arrest him. Despite the belief that he would be arrested, investigators said Murphy did not delete all the files, and they were able to recover nearly 70 additional files from his phone, depicting the sexual abuse of boys as young as 1 to 2 years old.

Court records show Murphy was charged with felony counts of possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility on Aug. 31. He was arraigned the following day by District Judge Stacy Wertman, who set bail at \$200,000 unsecured.

Murphy's next court appearance is a preliminary hearing on Sept. 13 at 1:30 p.m. in front of District Judge Regina Armitage.

North Penn Now has reached out to Central Bucks School District for further comment. Should they issue answer our questions or issue a statement, we will update this article accordingly.

All suspects and defendants are innocent until proven guilty. This story was compiled using court records and the affidavit of probable cause. This story was updated to reflect the child's current custody status.

<https://northpennnow.com/central-bucks-school-district-employee-charged-with-possession-of-child-por-p6010-119.htm>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, July 28, 2022

Melbourne Man Sentenced To 14 Years In Prison For Distributing Two Images Depicting The Sexual Exploitation Of A Child

Orlando, Florida – U.S. District Judge Paul G. Byron has sentenced Robert Lee Ripley (47, Melbourne) to 14 years in federal prison and 10 years of supervised release for distributing images of child sexual abuse. The court also ordered Ripley to pay \$5,000 in restitution. Ripley had pleaded guilty on February 24, 2022.

According to court documents, on June 24, 2021, Homeland Security Investigation Task Force Officers rescued a female child, approximately five years old, that had been sexually abused by a male subject. The male subject had produced images and videos depicting the sexual abuse of the child. A forensic analysis of the cellphone belonging to the male subject revealed a series of chat sessions through KIK, where he shared images depicting the abuse of the child victim. Specifically, the abuser shared with Ripley, the moderator of a KIK chat group, two images depicting the sexual abuse of the minor. During the chat, it was obvious the abuser had access to the child victim, and he was actively producing those images. After receiving the photos of the victim, Ripley stated, "Yummy," and then shared the images with the chat group, thereby perpetuating the harm to the victim. After his arrest, Ripley admitted that he would receive images and videos of child pornography through the KIK application and would share those images and videos with other KIK users.

"This predator participated in the online exploitation of children and has caused irreparable harm," said HSI Orlando Assistant Special Agent in Charge David Pezzutti. "The vile actions of child predators will not go undetected, and thanks to the painstaking, tireless efforts of HSI Cocoa Beach Child Exploitation Taskforce and HSI Jacksonville, pedophiles will be held accountable to the fullest extent."

This case was investigated by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office and Homeland Security Investigations. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Iliany Rivera Miranda.

This is another case brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic

of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-mdfl/pr/melbourne-man-sentenced-14-years-prison-distributing-two-images-depicting-sexual>

DeLand Man In Custody With 29 Counts Of Child Porn Possession

Bond Set At \$290,000

By Sean Mooney
January 11, 2022

Posted Tuesday,

DeLand, FL - A DeLand man in jail on bond set at almost \$300,000 is facing nearly 30 counts of child pornography possession after a cyber tip led investigators to find a multitude of images and videos on his devices.

The Volusia Sheriff's Office says Robert Sierra of DeLand was arrested on Monday (Jan. 10) in New Smyrna Beach on an arrest warrant.

The investigation into Sierra kicked off in September when the Volusia Sheriff's Office received a tip about 47 files of suspected child pornography that were uploaded to the internet. After investigators tracked the files back to Sierra, they secured search warrants to find more evidence.

In mid-December, deputies searched Sierra's Chelsea Manor Circle residence and seized multiple electronic devices. Further forensic analysis found videos of victims believed to be as young as 4-years-old in sexually explicit situations.

Sierra remains in custody at the Volusia County Branch Jail, facing 29 charges of child pornography possession. As each of those charges carries a \$10,000 penalty, Sierra's bond was set at \$290,000.

<https://newsdaytonabeach.com/stories/deland-man-in-custody-with-29-counts-of-child-porn-possession,10909>

East Alabama man jailed after 2,000 child porn images found on phone

By Carol Robinson | crobinson@al.com

Feb. 08, 2022

An Opelika man was arrested Tuesday after authorities say they found 2,000 child pornography images on his phone.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office said they received two separate tips on Jan. 5 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The information was that child sexual abuse material was downloaded and possessed on a cell phone in the Opelika area.

Investigators determined the phone being used belonged to 27-year-old Robert Joseph Stetina. They obtained a search warrant recovered the phone, finding approximately 2,000 sexually explicit photos and videos depicting children under the age of 18.

Stetina is charged with 21 counts of possession of child pornography. He is being held in the Lee County Jail on bonds totaling \$210,000.

Authorities said the investigation is ongoing and more charges are expected.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Lee County Sheriff's Office at 334-749-5651 or Central Alabama Crime Stoppers at 334-215-STOP (7867).

<https://www.al.com/news/montgomery/2022/02/east-alabama-man-jailed-after-2000-child-porn-images-found-on-phone.htm>

Two men arrested for child sex crimes in unrelated cases

By Joey Barnes August 5, 2022

LOWNDES COUNTY, Miss. (WCBI) – A former Lowndes County resident has been arrested on a child pornography charge.

52-year-old Robert Thomas Taylor is charged with exploitation of a child.

Lowndes County Sheriff Eddie Hawkins says tips got a tip from the Mississippi Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force this past December.

Detectives say Taylor was previously in Lowndes County and other locations uploading images and videos of child sexual abuse.

Taylor was arrested by the U.S. Marshals at his home in Niceville, Florida. He is now in the Lowndes County jail and has a \$750,000 bond.

In an unrelated case, a Lowndes County man is arrested by Texas law enforcement.

30-year-old Dane McGee was wanted for sexual performance by a child under the age of 14 by the Santa Fe, Texas police department.

Sheriff Hawkins says McGee was using Snapchat to contact underage girls and ask them for illegal images.

McGee is awaiting extradition to Texas.

<https://www.wcbi.com/two-men-arrested-for-child-sex-crimes-in-unrelated-cases/>

Former priest charged with possessing child pornography

BY JAMES HALPIN STAFF WRITER
26, 2022

Oct 25, 2022 Updated Oct

A former priest and registered sex offender has been arrested on child pornography charges after being found in possession of images of young boys being sexually abused, said Luzerne County detectives.

Robert Michael Timchak Jr., 56, of 871 Miller St., Luzerne, became the target of an investigation last month after Google reported he uploaded two videos depicting child sexual abuse.

According to the complaint, one of the videos depicts a man in a ski mask molesting a pre-pubescent boy, while the second video depicts a juvenile boy performing a sex act on himself.

Luzerne County detectives raided Timchak's home Sept. 21, and he confirmed his email address and cellphone number, which police say were associated with eight cybertips they received in connection with his Google Drive account.

Timchak initially declined to speak with police, but later admitted he searched online for videos and images of younger males, police said.

According to the complaint, Timchak told investigators he likes boys "young but legal." He also denied ever meeting with any youths in person or ever having molested anyone, police said.

It is not the first time Timchak has been accused of possessing child porn.

Timchak — a former Catholic priest who previously served as pastor of Transfiguration Church, West Hazleton, and SS. Peter and Paul's Lithuanian Church, Hazleton — was arrested in 2009, after state police received a tip that he had downloaded child pornography.

Police searched his computer and found photographs of naked, underage boys — many around 11 years old, authorities said — and evidence that he tried to delete them. Timchak, who at the time was serving as an assistant pastor for the Diocese of Scranton in Pike County, pleaded guilty to 19 child porn charges and was sentenced to serve six to 72 months in state prison.

He was released in June 2012, and is required to register as a sex offender for 10 years as a result of that conviction.

In the new case, Timchak is charged with one count of possessing child porn, four counts of disseminating images of child sex acts and two counts of criminal use of a communication facility.

Magisterial District Judge Daniel O'Donnell arraigned Timchak on the charges Monday evening and set bail at \$20,000.

Timchak was being held at the Luzerne County Correctional Facility with a preliminary hearing scheduled for Nov. 1.

Ordained as a priest June 27, 1992, his other assignments include assistant pastor, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, Wilkes-Barre; director of religious formation, Seton Catholic High School, Pittston, while in residence St. John the Evangelist Church, Pittston; director of religious formation, Bishop Hoban High School, Wilkes-Barre, and assistant pastor, Holy Saviour Church, Wilkes-Barre; assistant pastor, Annunciation Church, Williamsport; chaplain, Bishop Hafey High School, Hazleton; and assistant pastor, St. Vincent de Paul Church, Milford, and St. John Neumann Church, Lord's Valley.

https://www.kilgorenewsherald.com/former-priest-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography/article_55c40a01-e0a3-55fa-82cc-5cee27a6472a.html

Greenville man gets 40-year prison sentence for child sex crimes

By WSFA 12 News Staff Published: May. 19, 2022

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (WSFA) - A 36-year-old Greenville man will spend the next 40 years in federal prison after being convicted on multiple child sex crimes, according to U.S Attorney Sandra J. Stewart and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Special Agent in Charge Paul W. Brown.

Rocky Shay Franklin learned his fate Tuesday, which also includes registration as a sex offender and lifetime supervised release once his prison sentence ends.

The investigation against Franklin started in 2019 when law enforcement got multiple reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that identified an IP address associated with suspected online child porn activity.

A check of the IP address found it to be connected to a Greenville home, prompting police to deem Franklin a person of interest. Multiple electronic devices were seized and searched, ultimately confirming the suspect's involvement in the crimes.

During a July 2021 plea hearing, Franklin pleaded guilty to two counts of the sexual exploitation of a child, one count of advertising child pornography, and two counts of distribution of child pornography.

"Protecting children from exploitation by predators is one of law enforcement's most important responsibilities," stated U.S. Attorney Stewart. "Producing and trading in child pornography is a particularly devastating crime because it robs children of their innocence and inflicts long lasting harm. Although my office can never fully repair the damage inflicted by these predators, we can ensure that justice is served on those who commit these terrible crimes. I applaud the efforts of all the agencies involved in investigating this case for identifying Franklin's criminal activity and putting a stop to it before more children were victimized."

"Today's sentence ensures Rocky Shay Franklin will be unable to harm children in our community for a very long time, and we hope his victims will be able to recover from the emotional scars left by his actions," stated Special Agent in Charge Brown. "The FBI will continue to work with our law enforcement partners to investigate and bring to justice those intent on harming children."

<https://www.wsfa.com/2022/05/19/greenville-man-gets-40-year-prison-sentence-child-sex-crimes/>

Zanesville resident charged with child pornography, faces prison

By Staff Report
February 17, 2022

An area person has been charged with four felony counts related to the possession of child pornography.

Rodilio Woodard, 51-years-old, was arraigned Wednesday.

According to the criminal complaint, Woodard possessed or viewed child pornography from December 2019 to July 2021.

Various video files are listed in the indictment. Some allegedly show minor(s) being forced to participate or engage in 'sexual activity, masturbation or bestiality.'

The age of the victim(s) was not included in the complaint.

Woodard's bond was continued as previously set at \$350,000.

No more information was available as of the time of publication.

<https://ycitynews.com/24030/news/zanesville-resident-charged-with-child-pornography-faces-prison/#:~:text=An%20area%20person%20has%20been,December%202019%20to%20July%202021>

New charges filed against Ocala man accused of molesting a child

By Ryan Wyatt Turbeville

Published: Aug. 22, 2022

Ocala, Fla. (WCJB) - New charges are filed against an accused child predator after Marion County Sheriff's Office detectives found evidence he was producing child pornography.

On Friday, sheriff's deputies charged Rogelio Argote Munoz with 25 counts of Possession of Child Pornography, two counts of Manufacturing Child Pornography, and two counts of Distribution of Child Pornography.

Munoz was arrested on Aug. 15 after investigators say he molested and attempted to commit sexual battery on a child under the age of 12. He is accused of luring the child into his bedroom by promising to let the child feed baby chickens.

The next day, investigators searched his home at 7865 W. Highway 40, Lot 66, in Ocala. They collected electronic devices that belonged to Munoz.

A forensic extraction of the devices revealed more than 100 files of child pornography. Detectives say two of the files were created by Munoz.

They also determined Munoz was a part of message groups where he shared child porn with others.

He is being held on a \$215,000 bond at the Marion County Jail.

<https://www.wcjb.com/2022/08/22/new-charges-filed-against-ocala-man-accused-molesting-child/>

Three people charged with sexual exploitation of a minor after unrelated investigations in Gastonia

The earliest investigation started in October of 2021.

By WBTV Web Staff

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GASTONIA, N.C. (WBTV) - Gastonia police have made three separate arrests in unrelated child pornography investigations this month.

Detectives were made aware in October 2021 of a suspect who was in possession of child pornography. During the investigation, they identified Andre Ramos, age 19, of Gastonia as the suspect and found multiple images of child pornography on his electronic devices. Ramos was charged and arrested in early May.

In January, detectives were made aware that a suspect had recently uploaded files containing images of child sexual exploitation to a social media platform. He was identified as Ron Owens, age 37, of Gastonia. During a search warrant, investigators found several photos/videos of child pornography on Owens' electronic devices. He was charged and arrested on May 23.

GPD officers responded to a home on May 17 after a family member discovered images of child pornography on a computer. During the investigation, detectives determined that the computer belonged to 24-year-old Jacob Griffin, who recently moved to Gastonia from Florida.

Investigators located several images depicting child pornography on Griffin's computer. He was charged and arrested on May 23.

All three men were charged with multiple sexual exploitation of a minor charges.

<https://www.wbtv.com/2022/05/26/three-people-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-minor-after-unrelated-investigations-gastonia/>

Authorities arrest Crooked River Ranch man on 37 child porn charges

Pat Kruis

Feb 9, 2022

A 66-year-old Crooked River Ranch man was arrested Wednesday on multiple child pornography charges.

Ronald Dean Jarchow faces 37 charges that include sexual abuse of minors plus creating, publishing and disseminating the "visual recordings including sexually explicit conduct involving a child."

According to authorities, the charges stem from actions that took place from April 2008 to April 2021 and involve at least two minors, under age 12 and under age 18 at the time of the incidents.

Authorities from the Oregon Department of Justice and the Oregon Internet Crimes Against Children arrested Jarchow at his house -- at Southwest Swannies Place on Crooked River Ranch -- at about 1:30 p.m. Feb. 9. DOJ and ICAC investigators worked over eight months collecting evidence for this case. Deputies with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office cooperated with the investigation and serving the search

The charges span from April of 2008 to April of 2021 and involve at least two minors, under age 12 and under age 18. Officers took Jarchow into custody without incident and lodged him in the Jefferson County Jail.

https://www.madraspioneer.com/news/authorities-arrest-crooked-river-ranch-man-on-37-child-porn-charges/article_aec73cae-eb83-5442-9a24-6d2ab474ccc0.html

Police rescue 8-year-old, victim of sexual exploitation, in St. Charles County

By: Joey Schneider

Posted: Jun 3, 2022 / 07:05 PM CDT

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, Mo. – A Missouri task force teamed up with several law enforcement agencies to help rescue an 8-year-old child Friday in St. Charles County who was a victim of sexual exploitation.

Authorities executed a search warrant Friday as part of an ongoing investigation into the activities of Ronald Lawrence, a 23-year-old man who was suspected of possessing, producing, and distributing child pornography videos and photographs. St. Charles police say the victim was found at Lawrence's home in the 1400 block of Rue Street with another man.

"I am relieved that this child is now safe in protective custody and the suspect has been arrested," says St. Charles County Police Chief Kurt Frisz. "MO ICAC and Cyber Crime unit detectives conducted a thorough investigation into the suspect's online activities, which led to the victim's rescue."

Through extensive forensic examination and interviews, investigators have identified a second victim and have reason to believe there may be more.

"We remain committed to protecting our youth from these unfathomable experiences and encourage any potential victims to contact authorities," Chief Frisz says.

Prosecutors have charged Lawrence with first-degree statutory sodomy. Lawrence is being held in the St. Charles County Department of Corrections with no bond.

The Missouri Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, the St. Charles County Police Department Cyber Crimes Unit and the St. Charles County Regional SWAT Team all assisted with Friday's rescue. MO ICAC is a multi-jurisdictional investigative unit that focuses on the identification, investigation, and apprehension of online child sexual exploitation offenders.

<https://fox2now.com/news/missouri/police-rescue-8-year-old-victim-of-sexual-exploitation-in-st-charles-county/>

Glassport man gets federal prison for child porn found in missing Kentucky teen investigation

RENATTA SIGNORINI

Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022

A Glassport man was sentenced Wednesday to 87 months in a federal prison on a charge of possession of child pornography, according to court filings.

Rory Shelton, 59, was ordered to spend five years on supervised release after the prison term.

Shelton pleaded guilty in federal court in July after authorities said they found an "extensive collection" of child pornography during an investigation involving a 16-year-old girl missing from Kentucky who was found at his home.

The girl was reported missing May 2, 2019, police said at the time. Police in Paducah, Ky., contacted authorities in Glassport that day to report she had been communicating with a man in Pennsylvania prior to her disappearance. Security footage from Shelton's apartment building showed the girl enter with Shelton on May 3, police said.

During an interview with police, Shelton said he rented a car and picked the girl up after they had conversed over Instagram. He told investigators he cut off her court-appointed electronic monitoring bracelet before driving her back to his apartment.

Shelton's defense attorney in the federal case wrote in a sentencing memorandum that Shelton did not seek out child pornography, but rather had it sent to him without solicitation.

"There was no evidence that he actively sought out relationships with females under the age of consent or that he was involved with any minor females other than the one from Kentucky that led to his state charges," attorney Neil Rothschild wrote.

Prosecutors said Shelton had more than 600 images of child pornography.

"By any measure, the defendant's actions in both this case and the state case are extremely serious," they said in a sentencing memorandum.

He was ordered to pay \$9,000 in restitution and forfeit two cellphones.

The federal sentence will run concurrently to state imprisonment he already is serving related to the Kentucky girl.

Shelton was sentenced in state court to three to six years in a state prison followed by three years of probation, according to online court records. He pleaded guilty to interference with custody of a child, concealment of the whereabouts of a child and obstruction in October 2019.

<https://triblive.com/local/glassport-man-gets-federal-prison-term-for-child-porn-found-during-missing-kentucky-teen-investigation/>

40 Counts Of Possessing Child Porn Filed Against Tampa Man

A Tampa man is facing 40 counts of possessing child pornography after police said they recovered pornographic images at his home.

D'Ann Lawrence White, Patch Staff

Posted Fri, Jul 22, 2022 at 2:33 pm ET

A Tampa man is facing 40 counts of possessing child pornography after police said they recovered pornographic images during a search of his computers and cell phones. (Renee Schiavone/Patch)

TAMPA, FL — A Tampa man is facing 40 counts of possessing child pornography after police said they recovered pornographic images during a search of his computers and cell phones.

Ruben Machado-Reyes, 55, of North Ojus Drive, was arrested Thursday at his home.

In March, the Tampa Police Department received a cyber tip indicating Machado-Reyes had uploaded child pornography to one of his internet accounts, according to a police report.

Detectives investigated the tip and then served a search warrant at Machado-Reyes' home where they said they recovered evidence. Based on an interview with Machado-Reyes and the evidence found on his electronic devices, police charged him with 40 counts of possessing child porn but said he could face more charges after a forensic analysis of his computers and cell phones recovered by police.

<https://patch.com/florida/southtampa/40-counts-possessing-child-porn-filed-against-tampa-man>

Fontana teen is arrested for allegedly committing sexual offenses, police say

Feb 24, 2022 Updated Mar 7, 2022

An 18-year-old Fontana resident has been arrested on charges of possession of child pornography and multiple additional hands-on sexual offenses, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Rudy Escarsida was allegedly downloading and distributing child pornography over the internet.

On Feb. 23, a search warrant was served at the suspect's residence in the 7900 block of Sewell Avenue, and detectives seized multiple items of evidence.

ICAC detectives are searching for additional victims who may have had contact with Escarsida's Instagram screen names:tatiaanaa04, srt.rudy

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-teen-is-arrested-for-allegedly-committing-sexual-offenses-police-say/article_786f905c-95bb-11ec-84a6-d73cb10b92d9.html

Fond du Lac man charged in child porn bust

By Landen Moore, FOX 11 News

Friday, February 11th 2022

FOND DU LAC (WLUK) -- A Fond du Lac man is facing child pornography charges following a search of his home last week.

Police say they executed a search warrant in the 000 block of 7th Street on Feb. 3, after a tip from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children was received. The tip alleged possession and/or distribution of videos containing child pornography.

Following the search, 43-year-old Rudy Daniel Oropeza was arrested. He was charged with three counts of possession of child pornography, according to court records.

Oropeza is being held in the Fond du Lac County Jail on a \$20,000 cash bond. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Feb. 18.

<https://fox11online.com/news/local/rudy-oropez-fond-du-lac-wisconsin-child-pornography-crime-arrest-charge>

Fontana man is arrested on child pornography charge

Aug 23, 2022 Updated Aug 23, 2022

A 21-year-old Fontana man was arrested on a child pornography charge, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Ryan Calisaan was allegedly downloading and distributing child pornography over the internet.

On Aug. 23, a search warrant was served at Calisaan's residence in the 15000 block of Sandhurst Street. During the search warrant, detectives seized multiple electronic devices.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact ICAC at:
FONTANAPDICAC@FONTANA.ORG

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-man-is-arrested-on-child-pornography-charge/article_a053dd62-230f-11ed-aa34-4b722a7682f2.html

Kenosha man charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography

Daniel Gaitan

Jun 22, 2022

A 36-year-old Kenosha man is facing numerous felony charges for allegedly possessing many videos of child pornography.

Ryan J. Connolly, 36, was charged in Kenosha County Circuit Court with 10 counts of possession of child pornography. Connolly made his initial appearance at Intake Court on Wednesday and is being held on \$15,000 cash bond.

On Tuesday, a Kenosha Police detective executed a search warrant at Connolly's home in the 3400 block of 28th Avenue.

The detective seized a smartphone from the night stand in Connolly's bedroom that contained thousands of videos, many of which were child pornography, according to the criminal complaint. Connolly reportedly admitted that his phone contained child pornography and stated that he had knowingly downloaded and shared such materials using the Kik app on his phone.

In March, the detective received a tip from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children that stated a Kik user had downloaded five videos containing child pornography using the app. The detective was provided an IP address for the Kik user and subpoenaed records from Charter Communications that reportedly traced back to Connolly.

https://www.kenoshanews.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/kenosha-man-charged-with-10-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography/article_a1cde850-f26c-11ec-bad3-cb40afb690be.html

Cecil County man charged with possessing child pornography

By: WMAR Staff

Posted at 5:04 PM, Mar 10, 2022

CECIL COUNTY, Md. — A Cecil County man was arrested for possessing child pornography.

Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit started investigating Kaiser on December 2021. The investigation led to Kaiser's home in Cecil County.

Around 6:30 a.m. Thursday, officers issued a search warrant, and seized Kaiser's electronic devices.

<https://www.wmar2news.com/news/local-news/cecil-county-man-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography>

Gadsden man charged with 30 counts of possession of child pornography

By WBRC Staff

Published: Feb. 1, 2022 at 12:49 PM EST

GADSDEN, Ala. (WBRC) - A Gadsden man has been arrested and charged in a child pornography investigation, according to Sheriff Jonathon Horton.

Ryan Quinn Medley, 30, was arrested and charged with 30 counts of Possession of Obscene Material (Child Pornography). The Etowah County Sheriff's Office received a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC).

Investigators determined Medley was a suspect and a search warrant was executed by investigators from the Sheriff's Office and Rainbow City Police department at his house. Several phones and electronics were taken into evidence.

Further search warrants were obtained for the examination of the devices taken in evidence. Investigators determined the kik app was used for the downloading/swapping of the images. The case is still ongoing.

Etowah County Sheriff's Office, Rainbow City Police, Tennessee Valley Regional Computer Forensic Laboratory (TVRCFL), and the James M. Berrie Center for Children were all involved in the investigation.

Medley is being held inside the Etowah County Detention Center on a \$600,000 bond. Conditions of his bond are supervision by Community Corrections, have no internet access, and be around no child under 18 without supervision.

<https://www.wbrc.com/2022/02/01/gadsden-man-charged-with-30-counts-possession-child-pornography/>

Man Accused Of Distributing Child Pornography

The Crystal Lake man is accused of disseminating two images showing a child under the age of 13 engaged in a sexual act.

Lake and McHenry County Scanner, News Partner
Oct 17, 2022

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A Crystal Lake man has been arrested and charged after investigators found he distributed child pornography on a messaging app, court documents show.

Ryan N. Niesen, 22, of the 4300 block of Fox Creek Drive in Crystal Lake, was charged with two counts of reproducing child pornography, a Class X felony.

A criminal complaint filed in McHenry County Circuit Court alleges Niesen knowingly disseminated two images in November 2021. The images showed a child, who was under the age of 13, engaged in an act of sexual conduct, the complaint said.

The images were uploaded and disseminated on the messaging application Discord, the complaint showed. It was not known how investigators were first alerted to the crime.

The case was investigated by detectives with the McHenry County Sheriff's Office.

Charges were filed against Niesen on Tuesday and he was later taken into custody.

His bond was set at \$60,000 and he was released from the McHenry County Jail after posting \$6,000 cash.

A status of preliminary hearing is scheduled for Thursday.

<https://patch.com/illinois/crystallake/man-accused-distributing-child-pornography>

Greenfield man charged with child porn

By WRGB Staff

Friday, July 22nd 2022

GREENFIELD, NY (WRGB) — A Greenfield man known to have contact with youth in his community is in custody, charged with possessing and promoting child pornography.

On July 22, 2022, at about 7:48 a.m. State Police from Wilton BCI arrested 34-year-old Ryan Surprenant of Greenfield, NY, for Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "E" felony, and Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "D" felony.

Surprenant is accused of possessing and promoting images consistent with child sexual exploitation via the internet. His arrest followed an investigation stemming from a cyber tip received by the New York State Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the execution of a search warrant at his residence.

He was processed at SP Wilton and arraigned in Greenfield Town Court, where He was remanded to Saratoga County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$20,000 cash, \$40,000 bond, or \$200,000 partially secured bond.

Surprenant has volunteered as an instructor for the Boy Scouts of America and has had direct contact with youth in his community. Anyone who has any information relating to this investigation is asked to email Crimetips@troopers.ny.gov.

The Troop G Computer Crimes Unit and the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce assisted in this investigation.

<https://cbs6albany.com/news/local/greenfield-man-charged-with-child-porn-ryan-suprenant>

Fontana man arrested for allegedly possessing child pornography

Oct 14, 2022 Updated Oct 14, 2022

A 20-year-old Fontana man was arrested for allegedly possessing child pornography, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Fontana P.D.'s Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Salvador Garcia-Mena was allegedly downloading and distributing child sexual abuse material over the internet.

On Oct. 12, a search warrant was served at Garcia-Mena's residence in the 14500 block of Woodland Drive. During the search warrant, detectives seized multiple electronic devices and located evidence.

Kik: cufnman_5ed
WhatsApp: Sal
JusTalk: salsal6401

Garcia-Mena was taken into custody and booked at West Valley Detention Center. Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact ICAC at: FONTANAPDICAC@FONTANA.ORG

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-man-arrested-for-allegedly-possessing-child-pornography/article_5738c6be-4bc9-11ed-9c23-673fb3cd6cfc.html

Deputies: Crestview men arrested with child pornography

By WEAR staff

Tuesday, January 25th 2022

OKALOOSA COUNTY, Fla. --Two Crestview men were arrested and charged with possession of child pornography after deputies executed a search warrant at their home.

Samuel Hight, 23, is charged with three counts of the possession of child pornography and three counts of the transmission of child pornography.

Paul Guy, 38 is charged with three counts of the possession of child pornography.

Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office says investigators "received a tip regarding an individual who had uploaded files believed to contain child pornography to the internet." The investigation led to a search warrant at the Crestview home.

Investigators connected a video depicting child pornography to Hight, a release states.

"While executing the search warrant at the residence, OCSO Investigators located additional images of child pornography on a device belonging to 38-year-old Paul Guy," deputies say in a release.

<https://weartv.com/news/local/deputies-crestview-men-arrested-with-child-pornography>

Alamance County Man Arrested for Child Porn Postings

by Peter Stratta

Thursday, August 25th 2022

ALAMANCE COUNTY, N.C. — In May, investigators with the Alamance County Sheriff's Office Human Exploitation Team (HET) began investigating a cyber tip. Investigators had reason to believe that an individual in the county uploaded Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) files to Dropbox. The investigation lead to a suspect residing in Mebane.

On Wednesday, August 24, HET and investigators with the Sheriff's Office Special Victims Unit (SVU), conducted a search warrant at 210 Kit Ln, Mebane, N.C. Investigators found probable cause to charge the suspect identified as Samuel Aaron Saring Kulp of the residence.

Mr. Kulp was arrested and taken to the Alamance County Detention Center. He is being held on a \$50,000 secured bond, with a felony charge of Second Degree Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.

<https://abc45.com/news/local/alamance-county-man-arrested-for-child-porn-postings-truecrime-northcarolina>

DeBary man charged with child porn possession following tip from nonprofit

Katie Kustura The Daytona Beach News-Journal
Published Sept. 8, 2022

A DeBary man is facing 21 counts of possession of child pornography, Volusia sheriff's officials said.

Saul Oliver, 53, was arrested Wednesday and booked into the Volusia County Branch Jail on \$300,000 bail, records show. Oliver's first appearance is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

Volusia sheriff's investigators spent four months looking into Oliver after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Laura Williams, a sheriff's spokesperson, said in a news release.

More recent cases involving child sexual abuse material:

DeLand man charged with sexually abusing minors, making child porn

Daytona Beach Police officer arrested for sharing child porn

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University student charged with 28 counts of having child porn

None of the depicted children, who appear to range in age from 2 to 10 years old, are believed to be local, Williams said.

Anyone with information about this case or others like it is asked to contact the sheriff's child exploitation unit at 386-323-3574.

<https://www.news-journalonline.com/story/news/crime/2022/09/08/florida-man-faces-child-porn-charges-after-alert-from-national-center-for-missing-exploited-children/8021092001/>

Former daycare employee arrested on child porn charges

By FOX23.com News Staff

June 07, 2022 at 5:40 pm CDT

STILLWATER, Okla. — Savannah Noel Hawthorne, 22, was arrested for distribution of child sexual abuse material and possession of child sexual abuse material, according to the Stillwater Police Department (SPD).

SPD received a cyber tip in late 2021, from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC). The tip indicated a suspect on Twitter had possession of child pornography and was actively soliciting buyers for distribution.

SPD identified the suspect as Savannah Noel Hawthorne of Enid, Okla.

Hawthorne moved from Stillwater to Enid. While she lived in Stillwater she worked at a local daycare facility.

After serving a search warrant at Hawthorne's residence in Enid, authorities found and seized a number of evidentiary items.

Hawthorne was taken into custody under warrant and booked at Payne County Jail, where she is charged with distribution of child sexual abuse material and possession of child sexual abuse material.

The Stillwater daycare facility Hawthorne was previously employed by has been notified and are fully cooperating with investigators.

Parents and legal guardians of the children who were under the care of Hawthorne, have been alerted.

The possibility of harm to any children at the facility is being thoroughly investigated.

<https://www.fox23.com/news/former-daycare-employee-arrested-child-porn-charges/6RG5G7S5LVD2TN2D7YJWXFWEBA/>

Former teacher at Rogers Middle School charged with possession of child pornography

Author: Sam Clancy, Sara Machi
October 5, 2022

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, Mo. — A former teacher at a middle school in the Affton School District was charged with possession of child pornography Tuesday.

Scott Ellis, a 36-year-old St. Louis County man, was charged with counts of possession of child pornography after St. Louis County police investigated a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Police said Ellis was a teacher at Rogers Middle School.

In a statement, the Affton School District said Ellis worked at Rogers Middle School between August 2019 and May 2022.

The district said it is cooperating with the St. Louis County Police Department's investigation.

In a press release, police said Ellis downloaded and possessed thousands of videos of child pornography in the last year.

Police said Ellis stored the videos on a Google account registered under his full name.

His phone number was also linked to the account, the listed date of birth matched his and two other email addresses that included his name in them were listed as alternatives on the account.

Police said some of the files were marked with the names of the minor victims in the videos. Police said the victims in the videos were pre-adolescent.

St. Louis County police did not indicate that any students at the school were victims.

Child safety advocates like Amy Robins say the statistics are concerning and changing.

"We know that 90% of the sexual abuse, in particular, is done by somebody that the child likes, loves, or lives with. Someone who is not a stranger. However, those statistics are really decreasing only because the online exploitation components are increasing

so quickly," Robins, a forensic services program director for The Child Advocacy Center of Northeast Missouri, Inc. said.

Ellis is being held on a \$750,000, cash-only bond.

To report a crime to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, visit their CyberTipline online.

The full statement from the Affton School District is as follows:

"St. Louis (October 4, 2022) - Today, St. Louis County Police arrested a former Rogers Middle School teacher, and district administrators were notified that this individual has been charged with six counts of possession of child pornography.

"We are deeply troubled by any report alleging that a former employee may have engaged in inappropriate behavior. Our schools are places where students should always feel safe, and we take any allegation of misconduct by a staff member, either current or former, very seriously. While state and federal confidentiality laws prohibit the district from sharing protected information about staff members or students, it is important for our families and community to know that we are committed to the safety and welfare of all Affton students, and will remain so going forward.

"The former teacher charged in this case has not worked in the Affton School District during the 2022-23 school year. They worked at Rogers Middle School between August 2019 and May 2022.

"A recent concern was brought to the district in regard to potential inappropriate conduct by this former employee earlier this month. At that time, district administrators investigated the situation and immediately filed a report with the Division of Children's Services in compliance with Missouri law. We have been in full cooperation with St. Louis County Police and will continue to provide any information or assistance they request. If additional relevant information becomes available, the district and authorities will disclose those details as appropriate or permitted by law."

<https://www.ksdk.com/article/news/crime/former-teacher-charged-possession-child-pornography-with-videos-containing-images-of-kids-from-babies-to-adolescent-bondage-bestiality/63-255b161c-e024-41e0-b241-09ad3209564b>

Girard man facing child porn charges

by: Chelsea Simeon

Posted: Sep 29, 2022

WARREN, Ohio (WKBN) – A Girard man is facing child pornography charges after an investigation that began over the summer of 2020.

A Trumbull County grand jury returned an indictment against Scott Sharples, 23, on 10 counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance and one count of pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor charges.

Sharples was booked into the Trumbull County Jail on Wednesday. He appeared in Trumbull County Court of Common Pleas for his arraignment Thursday, and a pretrial was set for 8:30 a.m. Oct. 5 in Judge Wyatt McKay's courtroom.

According to the indictment, the alleged crime happened on Sept. 15, 2020. The indictment states that Sharples was found with images of girls about 4 to 12 years old who were nude or involved in sex acts.

Girard police were contacted after an investigation by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children identified an IP address from an address in Girard. According to a Girard police report, the IP address had been used to upload eight files to a Dropbox account. Those files included images and videos of young naked girls, the report stated.

Police said there was also a file containing an Excel spreadsheet that contained typed communications that appeared to reference the trading of the images.

<https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/girard-man-facing-child-porn-charges/>

La Crosse man arrested on child porn, exploitation of child charges

WXOW

Sep 6, 2022

LA CROSSE, Wis. (WXOW) - A La Crosse man is charged with possession of child pornography and sexual exploitation of a child charges in court on Tuesday.

Sean A. Melford, 28, appeared on the charges in La Crosse County Circuit Court on Tuesday afternoon.

The criminal complaint said that a social media site tipped off the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about two user names for possible possession and distribution of child pornography.

Authorities traced the accounts back to Melford in La Crosse.

When police searched Melford's phone, they found child porn images on it.

Melford is also a registered sex offender from previous convictions in California.

At the hearing, prosecutors asked for a \$5,000 cash bond for Melford. His attorney Bernardo Cueto asked for \$1,000. Judge Todd Bjerke set bond at \$2,500 cash.

Melford is not on the La Crosse County Jail list of inmates as of late Tuesday afternoon.

https://www.wxow.com/news/crime/la-crosse-man-arrested-on-child-porn-exploitation-of-child-charges/article_353b6190-2e30-11ed-ad1f-cbb03c8c3307.html

Hillsborough middle school teacher's aide arrested on child porn charges

By Tony Marrero Times staff

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Detectives found multiple child pornography files on the electronic devices of 23-year-old Sean Shafer, a paraprofessional at Mulrennan Middle School in Valrico.

Sean Timothy Shafer, 23, was arrested Wednesday on multiple charges of transmitting and possessing child pornography. Shafer was a paraprofessional at Mulrennan Middle School in Valrico at the time of his arrest but will not be returning to his job with the school district, a spokesperson said. [Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office]

VALRICO — A teacher's aide at Mulrennan Middle School in Valrico was arrested this week after detectives found child pornography files on his electronic devices, deputies said.

Deputies on Friday arrested Sean Timothy Shafer, 23, after investigators discovered 15 child pornography files on his personal devices, according to the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office.

Detectives began an investigation after receiving a tip in May and believe that Shafer obtained the images from the internet, deputies said. As of Friday, investigators do not believe that any students are victims.

Records show Shafer was booked into the Hillsborough County jail on 26 counts of in-state transmission of child pornography, 15 counts of possession of child pornography and one count of possession of obscene material. He was being held Friday in lieu of \$164,750 bail. Records show he lives in Brandon.

Shafer has been with the district since 2018, according to a statement released by the school district. More details about his employment history with the district were not available because the district office was closed Friday, a spokesperson said.

"We are both shocked and disgusted by these allegations," said the statement, adding that Shafer "will not be returning" to his job with the district.

<https://www.tampabay.com/news/hillsborough/2022/07/15/hillsborough-middle-school-teachers-aide-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/>

Lecompte man arrested on 203 counts of distributing child pornography

Sara Adm
February 17, 2022

RAPIDS PARISH, Louisiana (KALB) – A Lecompte man was arrested on 203 counts of distributing pornography involving minors – victim under 13.

According to the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office, 19-year-old Seth Christian Chumley of Lecompte was arrested Feb. 10 on three counts of child pornography.

After his arrest, more evidence was obtained that Chumley committed additional crimes. RPSO obtained warrants for another 200 counts of child pornography.

Chumley was held in the Rapides Parish Detention Center where he is at the time of this release in lieu of \$10,150,000 bond.

Detectives said their investigation is still ongoing and if anyone has any information related to this case, please contact Detective Stephen Phillips or Detective Curtis Gunter, RPSO Digital Forensics/Cyber Crimes Unit at (318) 473-6727 or Crime Stoppers at 318-443-7867.

<https://goodwordnews.com/lecompte-man-arrested-on-203-counts-of-distributing-child-pornography/#:~:text=According%20to%20the%20Rapides%20Parish,200%20counts%20of%20child%20pornograp hy>

NEW MILFORD, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTION AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

For Immediate Release: September 16, 2022

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of SHABOO WILLIAMS (DOB: 10/17/1992; single; self-employed) of 336 Faller Drive, Apartment F, New Milford, NJ on child pornography charges. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Thursday, September 15, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of SHABOO WILLIAMS during the course of a months-long Internet child sexual abuse material investigation. The investigation revealed that WILLIAMS used the Internet to view, download, possess, and distribute items depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, SHABOO WILLIAMS was arrested on Thursday, September 15, 2022 in New Milford, NJ and charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(a)(i); and third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii). WILLIAMS was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the New Milford Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Englewood Police Department and Bergen County Sheriff's Department, which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.bcpo.net/new-milford-nj-man-charged-withdistribution-and-possession-of-child-pornography/>

Ottawa Man Indicted on Five Child-Porn Charges

Tom Henson

Jan 7, 2022 Updated May 2, 2022

The La Salle County Grand Jury Tuesday indicted an Ottawa man on several child porn charges.

Thirty-nine-year-old Shain Sennott is charged with two counts of Possession of Child Pornography and three counts of Disseminating Child Porn.

A cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and a subsequent investigation, led to Sennott's arrest in December at his home on East Michigan Street. Sennott remains locked up in lieu of 750 thousand dollars' bond.

https://www.starvedrock.media/wlpo/ottawa-man-indicted-on-five-child-porn-charges/article_fc5aac68-6f1d-11ec-b15f-e3da4657f5dc.html

Wilkes student charged with possession of child pornography

By Jerry Lynott

May 5, 2022

WILKES-BARRE — A cybertip on a reported upload of a child pornography to a Twitter account in October led to the arrest Thursday of a Wilkes University student.

The state Office of Attorney General charged Shane Davidson with 28 felony counts of possession of child pornography and one count of criminal use of a communication facility. Davidson, 22, was arraigned by District Justice Richard Cronauer and, unable to post \$100,000 bail, was committed to the Luzerne County Correctional Facility.

Wilkes spokeswoman Gabrielle D'Amico confirmed Davidson is a student, but added his status is under review given the allegations against him.

Agents from the AG's Office obtained a search warrant for Davidson's on-campus apartment on East South Street and served it at approximately 7:14 a.m. Thursday. When no one responded to multiple announcements law enforcement officers were at the door and Wilkes University Police used a key to open the door and let in the agents, arrest papers said.

The agents found Davidson and a roommate asleep in a bedroom. They identified Davidson and advised him of the search warrant, taking him and the roommate into the living room until the residence was checked for other occupants, the arrest papers said.

Davidson was provided clothes and shoes and taken to the Wilkes University Police Department interview room located next to the apartment building. He was advised of his Miranda rights and agreed to speak with investigators, the arrest papers said.

Initially, Davidson denied knowing anything about having child pornography on his Twitter account, saying he could not access due to it being hacked, arrest papers said. He later admitted agents would find the material on his Apple iPhone 11 located on his bed, arrest papers said.

Investigators previewed the iPhone and found at least 28 images of child pornography and 27 depicted either indecent contact or prepubescence, the arrest papers said.

Cronauer set Davidson's preliminary hearing for 11 a.m. on May 17.

<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1554419/wilkes-student-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography>

Ohio man sentenced to 6 years for child pornography charges

by: Corrine Hackathorn

Posted: Aug 16, 2022

Shaun M. McFarland, 42, of Marietta Ohio was sentenced to six years in prison after he was found with multiple SD cards containing child pornography.

McFarland plead guilty to five charges, including two counts of second-degree felony pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor or impaired person, and three counts of fourth-degree felony pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor or impaired person reported newsandsentinel.

According to the indictment, McFarland was found with 18 SD cards, a cell phone, and a computer containing child pornography.

Dates on the images and videos found ranged from January 2018 through May 2021. Washington County Common Pleas Judge said that McFarland's prison time would run concurrently.

McFarland will receive six years in prison each for the two second-degree felony counts and 18 months each for the three fourth-degree counts, reported newsandsentinel.

McFarland will be classified as a Tier 2 sex offender and will have to verify his address every 90 days for the next 25 years.

<https://www.wtrf.com/news/ohio-headlines/ohio-man-sentenced-to-6-years-for-child-pornography-charges/>

Deltona man arrested, accused of sharing child pornography online, deputies say

No evidence of any local child victims, sheriff's office says

Nicolle Osorio, Digital Intern Published: October 10, 2022

VOLUSIA COUNTY, Fla – A Deltona man accused of possessing child pornography was arrested after detectives were alerted by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Shawn Asbury, 27, faces 17 counts of possessing child pornography. He was arrested Friday and transported to the Volusia County jail following an eight-month investigation, according to the Volusia County Sheriff's Office.

In February, detectives began investigating Asbury after receiving a tip from the center which notifies law enforcement agencies about possible sexual exploitation of children on the internet.

According to the investigation, detectives executed a search warrant at Asbury's home where they located multiple photos and videos depicting girls.

Investigators found out that Asbury had downloaded over 63 files and sent them out to other people online.

Asbury remains held at the Volusia County Branch Jail on a \$500,000 bail.

Anyone who has information about this case or similar cases is asked to contact the sheriff's office at (386) 323-3574.

<https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2022/10/10/deltona-man-arrested-accused-of-sharing-child-pornography-online-deputies-say/>

Bronx day care worker Silfredo Castillo Martinez arrested on child pornography charges

By Lisa Rozner
May 31, 2022

NEW YORK -- A Bronx day care worker has been arrested on child pornography charges.

Police sources tell CBS2's Lisa Rozner at least one of the victims was a child placed in his care.

Lina's Garden Day Care on Decatur Avenue in Williamsbridge is temporarily closed, and police have released a photo of employee Silfredo Castillo Martinez. They're asking anyone whose children may have come in contact with him to give them a call.

Earlier in May, the 32-year-old was arrested for creating and possessing child pornography. He's been employed at Lina's Garden Day Care for the last decade.

One mother who spoke to CBS2 almost enrolled her three sons there.

"Just something felt off?" Rozner asked. "You know, like you feel as a mother," the woman said. "He was quiet. He looked friendly. He was all the time talking," Williamsbridge resident Manuel Placencia said.

In a criminal complaint, the Bronx District Attorney says Martinez told an officer on May 3, "I download child porn movies. I got it from Telegram in different chat rooms." Telegram is a social media app with instant messaging and file sharing features.

The officer says a search of Martinez's computer found 10 files involving children. One was an infant, and others were boys between the ages of 7-12.

A police source tells CBS2 one of the victims is a 12-year-old who attended the day care. At this point, authorities haven't found evidence there were other victims from there, but they are still investigating.

"A lot of people here send their kids over there and never had no problem about it,"

Williamsbridge resident Wascar Delacruz said. "Everybody love this guy."

But clear red flags aren't always there, says Dr. Mary Pulido, the executive director of the New York Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. "The people that abuse children, sexually abuse children, are master manipulators," she said. "Ninety percent of child sex abuse is committed by someone the child knows and trusts."

She says child pornography is on the rise, and she says some warning signs of abuse may be if a child is becoming clingy and wanting to avoid day care.

"It's never too early to start this conversation with your children about what parts of their body are private," Pulido said.

For now, Martinez is being held, as he has not been able to meet bail set at \$100,000 cash or \$300,000 bond. He's due back in court June 9.

A lawyer for Martinez told CBS2 she could not comment.

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services sent CBS2 the following statement:

"The New York State Office of Children and Family Services has zero tolerance for the alleged victimization and sexual exploitation of children entrusted to the care of child care providers.

The day after OCFS learned about the arrest of Mr. Martinez, OCFS took immediate action to suspend the operations of his licensed program and a program in which he is a household member effective May 4, 2022. OCFS is pursuing permanent revocation of both licenses. Prior to licensing, Mr. Martinez completed all application requirements and passed extensive and comprehensive background checks.

"Families who have been affected and who need assistance with alternate child care are encouraged to contact one of three child care resource and referral agencies in NYC. Please see here: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/referral-agencies.php>"

The city says it closed the day care earlier in May.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/newyork/news/silfredo-castillo-martinez-child-pornography-linas-garden-day-care-the-bronx/>

Ft. Lee Man Charged With Child Pornography By BCPO

By Jeffrey Henig

March 30, 2022

FORT LEE, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD, AND PROVIDING OBSCENITY TO A MINOR

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of SKY J. MARSHALL (DOB: 2/17/1997; single; cashier) of 555 North Avenue, Fort Lee, NJ on child pornography and child endangerment charges. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Tuesday, March 29, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit identified SKY MARSHALL during an ongoing Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that MARSHALL used the Internet to view, download and possess files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children. In addition, MARSHALL used social media to engage in sexually explicit dialogue and send nude images to underage children.

During such online conversations, MARSHALL obtained nude and/or sexually explicit images of juveniles and sent nude images to the children. As a result of the investigation, SKY MARSHALL was arrested on March 29, 2022 in Paramus, NJ and charged with third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii); third-degree endangering the welfare of a child, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4a(1); and third-degree providing obscenity to a minor, N.J.S.A. 2C:34-3b(1). MARSHALL was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Fort Lee Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Glen Rock Police Department, Englewood Police Department, Saddle Brook Police Department and Hackensack Police Department which all participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

The Bergen County Prosecutor's Office does not provide mug shots.

<https://hudsonvt.com/ft-lee-man-charged-with-child-pornography-by-bcpo/>

Greenup County man charged with multiple counts of child sexual exploitation

By: Matthew Duckworth

Posted: May 5, 2022 / 12:57 PM EDT

FLATWOODS, Ky. (FOX 56) – Kentucky State Police (KSP) have arrested Skyler Allen Mullins, 21, on multiple charges related to child sexual exploitation.

An undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation was prompted when Mullins was found distributing sexually explicit images across the internet.

The investigation lead to a search warrant being executed in Flatwoods on Wednesday.

Mullins was promptly located, interviewed, and arrested as a result of the investigation.

According to KSP, Mullins has been charged with 18 counts of possessing content portraying a minor under the age of 12 in a sexual performance and one count of distributing content of a minor under the age of 12 participating in a sexual performance.

Mullins was lodged at the Greenup County Detention Center.

<https://foxlexington.com/news/kentucky/greenup-county-man-charged-with-multiple-counts-of-child-sexual-exploitation/>

Alleged fugitive arrested in Lewiston on possible drug and child porn charges

Written by Will Feelright
June 17, 2022

LOGAN — A 29-year-old Logan man who had been evading law enforcement for six months was arrested in Lewiston and now faces more possible charges. Skyler Scott Ralphs was booked Tuesday into the Cache County Jail.

In November 2021, a judge issued a warrant for Ralphs' arrest after he failed to appear in 1st District Court. The defendant was facing multiple charges in two cases, including drug possession and aggravated assault.

According to an arrest affidavit, Logan City Police officers received a cybertip in April. It claimed Ralphs was using a Google account to share child pornography. The files were of female children, ranging in age from 4 to 12-years-old.

Tuesday, police and probation agents tracked Ralphs to a Lewiston home after he had reportedly returned to the state. He was taken into custody without incident.

Police report that while searching the suspect, "a red zip lock baggy containing a green leafy substance was found," the affidavit explained. Ralphs stated it was his marijuana, even though he doesn't have a valid medical card. He also allegedly admitted to smoking it the day before.

Jail records show, Ralphs was booked on suspicion of sexual exploitation of a minor and drug possession. Law enforcement has asked a judge to consider holding him without bail.

Individuals arrested and charged in complaints are presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in court.

<https://cachevalleydaily.com/news/archive/2022/06/17/alleged-fugitive-arrested-in-lewiston-on-possible-drug-and-child-porn-charges/#.YrXLuHbMKUk>

NEW HAMPSHIRE

NH Pastor Faces New Charges in Investigation Dating Back Over 5 Years

Stephen Bates, 46, was arrested Tuesday at the Bible Baptist Church on Caldwell Road

By Diane Cho, Marc Fortier and Katherine Underwood • Published March 17, 2022 • Updated on March 17, 2022 at 2:52 pm

A pastor at a New Hampshire church now faces five felony charges of possession of child sexual abuse images after investigators said they found five graphic videos showing child sex abuse images on a flash drive in his pocket.

Stephen Bates, 46, was arrested Tuesday morning at the Bible Baptist Church on Caldwell Road, where he lives, on a felony charge of possession of child sexual abuse images. Court documents released Thursday show he is now facing five charges of possession of child sexual abuse images, instead of just one.

The documents also show Bates had been under investigation dating back to 2016 after several different investigations across the country pointed back to an IP address associated with his church.

A court affidavit said that when Bates was arrested on Tuesday, he had two USB drives in his pants pocket. A forensic review of the drives showed child sexual abuse images in various folders involving children as young as 13.

Investigators said multiple other electronic devices were also seized from the Bible Baptist Church and a complete forensic examination of the devices is still pending.

Nashua police said the investigation leading to Bates' arrest began in August of 2016 when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent Nashua police a tip indicating that child sexual abuse images had been accessed by an electronic device utilizing an IP address associated with the Bible Baptist Church. Similar tips were received again in 2017 and were investigated, but police said the results were not sufficient to support criminal charges.

In 2019, as part of a Homeland Security investigation into the production and distribution of child sex abuse images in Denver, Colorado, the suspect in that case

shared images with an unknown individual with an IP address associated with the Bible Baptist Church.

A year later, police in Tallahassee, Florida, investigating the publishing of child sexual abuse images on the internet discovered the account responsible for publishing the images used an IP address associated with the same New Hampshire church.

Again in 2021, a Homeland Security investigation into the sexual exploitation of a child in Blaine, Washington, found that the suspect in that case had communicated with an unknown individual through social media "about their shared interest in having sexual contact with children." Again, the IP address used by the unknown individual was associated with the Bible Baptist Church.

By Wednesday afternoon, the church's website was down. Although police say no local victims have been identified, they're encouraging any parishioners with concerns to come forward.

Nashua police said Bates was considered a person of interest in the earlier investigations but until Tuesday there wasn't enough evidence to charge him with any crimes. While executing a search warrant at the church on Tuesday, police said they found two flash drives on Bates that contained numerous images of child sex abuse images.

Bates is currently free on bail. An arraignment date has not yet been set.

After Bates posted bail, NBC10 Boston asked him about the charges he is facing. He refused to comment.

Anyone with further information on the case is asked to call the Nashua Police Department Crime Line at 603-589-1665.

<https://www.nbcboston.com/news/local/nh-pastor-faces-new-charges-investigation-dates-back-over-5-years/2672043/>

CYBER CRIMES TIP LEADS TO THE ARREST OF A CHILD PREDATOR

Posted on March 22, 2022

A Freeport man has been arrested for possession and transmission of child pornography and sexual battery of a minor.

On March 10, 2022, The Walton County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Unit received a tip from The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding over 200 files of potential child pornography being uploaded to an online storage platform. The suspect was identified as Stephen Walter Gay, 42, of Freeport, Florida.

An online investigation was conducted in which video footage was found of Gay performing sexual acts with multiple minors to include a toddler.

Stephen Gay was arrested by Walton County Sheriff's Office investigators on March 18, 2022 and admitted to sexually battering multiple children and recording the incidents. He was subsequently charged with sexual battery of a person less than 12 years of age by a person 18 years or older, promoting the sexual performance by a child, possession of child pornography and transmission of child pornography.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information regarding possible additional victims is asked to contact the Walton County Sheriff's Office at (850) 892-8111.

<https://waltonso.org/cyber-crimes-tip-leads-to-the-arrest-of-a-child-predator/>

Arby's Manager, Who Is Defendant in Child Porn Case, Peed in Milkshake Mix: Cops

ALBERTO LUPERON

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Police are calling out to Arby's customers in Vancouver, Washington, for a disgusting revelation. Night manager Stephen Sartain Sharp, who is the defendant in a child porn case, peed in the milkshake mix, officers said in a news release.

Cops want to talk to you if you purchased a milkshake from the Arby's at 221 NE 104 Ave in Vancouver, Washington, some time on Oct. 30 and 31, 2021, "and you have a receipt or verified transaction information to confirm the purchase." You can reach Detective Robert Givens at robert.givens@cityofvancouver.us.

All this stemmed from a child pornography investigation into Sharp, 29, cops said. "On May 10, 2022, Stephen Sharp was contacted by detectives and confessed in an interview to downloading and distributing child pornography and having a sexual interest in children," officers wrote. "He confirmed employment as the night manager at Arby's."

Police said they executed a search warrant on digital devices on him and at his residence.

"A preliminary search by a DECU digital forensics investigator revealed a video of a subject later identified as Stephen Sharp urinating in a container confirmed to be milkshake mix from Arby's," police said. "Stephen Sharp confessed to detectives he urinated on at least two occasions into the milkshake mixture for sexual gratification."

Another manager told detectives that the restaurant sold at least one ice cream float and about 30 to 40 milkshakes on the day of that crinating video, officers said in records obtained by The Spokesman-Review. Metadata from the footage showed it was recorded on Oct. 30 at that Arby's, police said.

He allegedly asserted to police that he was "almost sure" he threw the bag away after the urination. Sharp, who said he was working alone during the incident, told detectives that if he did not discard the mix, then the next shift would have served it, police said.

Officers have not accused Arby's of any wrongdoing.

“The Digital Evidence Cybercrime Unit has not located evidence that Arby’s or its franchisee were aware of the abhorrent actions of Stephen Sharp,” cops said in their news release.

A spokesperson for the company said Sharp was fired.

“The alleged actions of the former franchised employee are abhorrent and unacceptable,” the spokesperson wrote in a statement to Law&Crime. “We have taken immediate action with the franchise group who terminated the former employee and is fully cooperating with the authorities in their investigation.”

Online records show Sharp is locked up at the Clark County Jail on a \$40,000 bond for charges of four counts of possessing depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct, four counts of dealing in depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct, and a count of assault in the second degree with sexual motivation.

<https://lawandcrime.com/crime/arbys-manager-who-is-defendant-in-child-porn-case-peed-in-milkshake-mix-cops/>

Oro Valley PD arrest man on child pornography charges

Steven Hill faces numerous counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.(Oro Valley PD)

By KOLD News 13 Staff

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TUCSON, Ariz. (KOLD News 13) - A man faces numerous charges after he allegedly was connected with explicit images of minors.

Steven Hill faces nine counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.

According to Oro Valley police, officers received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Officers then obtained search warrants and found pornographic images of children in connection with Hill.

Hill was booked into the Pima County jail with bond set at \$100,000.

<https://www.kold.com/2022/03/31/oro-valley-pd-arrest-man-child-pornography-charges/>

How the long arm of the law came down, got one man 30 child porn charges

By Lenny Cohen

Tuesday, February 22nd 2022

LAKE WORTH BEACH, Fla. (CBS12) — The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children did it again.

They tipped off the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office multiple times and the man at the center of four tips now faces 30 child pornography charges.

In this case, it was actually Snapchat letting the National Center know "two video files were flagged as child pornography and captured when user uploaded the files to the Snapchat platform," according to the arrest report.

Snapchat turned over the username, email address, date of birth, and also the IP address from April 13, 2021.

A detective verified the files "met the elements of a crime for the possession and intentional viewing of sexual conduct of a child," and then served subpoenas to Comcast and Yahoo! for the subscriber's IP and email addresses.

Later, Comcast identified the subscriber of the IP address as Steven Joseph under a service address in Lake Worth Beach.

Yahoo! had the email subscriber's name as "Ed Jojo" and also gave authorities a recovery phone number.

Then, the detective served a search warrant to Snapchat for their information on the account that was used and got three video files. Two matched the files from the cyber tip and the third was a duplicate.

But first, the detective was assigned to investigate another tip from the National Center.

In that case, the messaging app Kik let the National Center know "one of their users was reported for uploading and sharing with another group of users four video files suspected of depicting child pornography."

Investigators got that person's username, screen name, and email address, and wrote that those videos were also illegal.

There was a different IP address, but Comcast was the service provider, so they got another subpoena and reported the subscriber was Steven Joseph with the same Lake Worth Beach address.

They also served Google with a subpoena for information relating to a different email address and got a name that included "pacman" but the same recovery phone number as the other cyber tip.

And Google also sent "Billing Instruments" information with the name Edzer Joseph of Lake Worth.

In October, detectives served a subpoena to MetroPCS for subscriber information on the owner of the phone number and it turned out to be Joseph Edzer of the same Lake Worth Beach address Comcast mentioned twice.

Soon after, the detective served a search warrant to Kik concerning the account. According to the arrest report, "Within the 'Contents' folder to the account were 100+ files. Within these files, a majority of them were images of cartoon/Computer Generated Images (CGI) of children engaged in sexual activity."

The detective wrote, "I also observed three videos which matched the videos I observed" in the second cyber tip — plus an image "which matched the photograph of Edzer Joseph's driver's license photograph."

But there was more.

In December, the detective was assigned to investigate a third cyber tip from the National Center. It was also from Snapchat and involved one video file from a user with "pacman" as part of his name, and the same email address as the other Snapchat cyber tip, but the birthdate was different. The detective determined the video was illegal.

Then, on Jan. 11 of this year, another detective gave him the report from a fourth cyber tip, from Snapchat, from the same date as the third, with the same username, email address and birthdate.

Yet again, Comcast got a subpoena for the IP address and "listed Steven Joseph as the subscriber, with a billing and service address" the same as the others in Lake Worth Beach.

Finally, last Thursday, Feb. 17, deputies executed a search warrant for that address and they arrested Edzer Joseph, 34.

In the arrest report, the detective wrote, "Joseph admitted to viewing 'illegal porn' and clarified it as child pornography. Joseph stated he began to view child pornography around 2018-2019 after becoming 'desensitized' by normal pornography. He explained he uploaded child pornography onto his Kik account ... on five to 10 instances, and his Snapchat account he uploaded child pornography on three to five instances.

In addition, he said Joseph told him he'd search for child pornography online using certain terms and that he looked at it on an old cell phone.

The report said authorities "identified 30 video files which some of the content contains the sexual battery of children." Detectives wrote they were located on that old cell phone.

Joseph is charged with 30 counts of possession of 10 or more files of child pornography. Bond was set at \$5,000 for each count, and no release date from jail is listed.

<https://cbs12.com/news/local/child-porn-pornography-charges-edzer-joseph-lake-worth-snapchat-kik-national-center-missing-exploited-children>

Saint Leo University employee arrested, charged for intentional viewing of child pornography

By: Veronica Beltran
May 19, 2022

PINELLAS COUNTY, Fla. — A Saint Leo University employee has been arrested for intentional viewing of child pornography, according to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO).

On Wednesday, Steven Kistulentz, 55, was arrested and charged with two counts of Intentional Viewing of Child Pornography and 10 counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

PCSO's investigation started "after receiving information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that child exploitation material was being uploaded via the social media/messenger application Kik."

After determining Kistulentz was involved, detectives obtained a search warrant for his Safety Harbor home where they took his electronic devices. Following a forensic analysis, PCSO said 10 images of child pornography were found.

PCSO said Kistulentz confessed during an interview that he owned a Kik account and did in fact receive and send child pornography files.

Kistulentz is currently employed at Saint Leo University as the director of the graduate program in creative writing and associate professor of English.

Saint Leo University provided the following statement regarding Kistulentz's arrest:

"Upon learning of the charges filed by the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Saint Leo University has placed Steve Kistulentz on administrative leave and has suspended his access to the university. He will have no contact with students. We are awaiting further information as this matter is being investigated."

At this time, detectives said no victims have been revealed during their investigation.

If anyone has additional information regarding this case, please contact the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Crimes Against Children Unit detective J. Hanna at (727) 582-6724 or jhanna@pcsonet.com.

Man held on 15 child porn charges

By Mike Marturello mmarturello@kpcmedia.com

Oct 19, 2022

ANGOLA — A former Trine University instructor is facing 15 charges of Level 4 felony child exploitation after police discovered he was in possession of numerous child pornography images.

Angola Police were led to Steven J. Messer, 32, Angola, after receiving a tip on July 21 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Messer was alleged to have uploaded 21 images showing pornography of children younger than 12, said information filed in Steuben Superior Court.

Because the images depicted children younger than 12, that raises the charges to Level 4 felonies, which carry a possible prison term of 2-12 years.

Messer was arrested on Tuesday and charges were filed Wednesday morning, court records say.

Upon his arrest on Tuesday, Messer turned over all items associated with Trine, court records say.

“Trine University has terminated, with immediate effect, instructor Steven Messer following an investigation into potential violations of Messer’s contractual obligations and potential violations of University policies. Trine University has followed the direction of law enforcement since being first made aware of possible criminal charges related to Messer. Messer is prohibited from returning to the Trine campus. The university will make no further comment,” said a statement issued by the university’s public relations department.

Messer had been employed at Trine since January as a biology instructor. He is working on his doctorate at Arizona State University. He came to Trine from Tempe, Arizona.

During his interview with Angola Detective Michael Wood and Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent Andrew Bonneau on Tuesday, Messer asked if his

involvement with child pornography would jeopardize his job. Wood said he had no control over what was done at the university.

Throughout the course of the interview, court records said, Messer told Wood how he went from viewing traditional pornography and the various sites he visited to where it progressed to child pornography.

“Steven states he saves the images and has roughly 100 images of children in a nude state saved,” court records said.

Messer traded images with other individuals so he could build a collection. He also admitted that viewing child pornography was wrong.

“Steven states he knows that possessing child pornography is illegal. Steven states he has a suspicion that he has a porn addiction and that’s why he held on to the child porn files,” Wood’s report to the court said.

Messer had an initial hearing before Magistrate James Burns on Wednesday afternoon. He is being held in lieu of \$50,000 bail for his release from the Steuben County Jail as of Wednesday afternoon.

He told the court he would hire his own attorney. His next date in court is Jan. 23 for a pretrial hearing. His trial has been set for April 13.

https://www.kpcnews.com/heraldrepublican/article_8e3267ac-2906-5195-93c5-2f143e9d971a.html

In Hyde Park: Undercover child porn sting results in arrest

Tommy Gardner | Staff Writer

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A Hyde Park man is accused of sharing graphic videos and photographs of young girls having sex with adult men, after he allegedly sent child pornography to an undercover FBI agent.

Steven Renaud, 52, of Hyde Park, pleaded not guilty last week in Lamoille County Superior Court to five counts of promoting a recording of sexual conduct and one count of possessing child sex abuse materials.

According to the affidavit by Detective Matthew Raymond of the Vermont Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, the FBI investigation was conducted as part of Operation Kick Boxer. The nationwide operation has over the years identified more than 2,500 profiles on the instant messenger smartphone app Kik "who are either actively distributing child sexual abuse material or committing hands-on sexual assaults of children."

One of those Kik users went by the handle "backagain68," was located in Vermont and was suspected of distributing child sexual abuse material within a Kik group known as "private group 1 (anything goes)." After subpoenaing Kik for subscriber information, it was discovered that "backagain68" was registered to Renaud, who was living in Hyde Park.

According to the affidavit, the investigation turned up several short videos and photographs involving nude, prepubescent girls — some appearing to be as young 4-6 years old — engaged in sex with adult males, at least one showing a child bound up by duct tape.

Det. Raymond executed a search warrant on Renaud's Hyde Park home, telling Renaud that he had sent the files not to a fellow Kik user but to an undercover FBI agent.

The Vermont Attorney General's office announced Renaud's arrest Monday, along with a separate but similar arrest of a South Burlington resident, Quang Le, 58, for possessing child sexual abuse materials. Le was suspected of sharing the child pornography through Facebook Messenger. He pleaded not guilty last week in

Chittenden County Superior Court to two counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

According to the attorney general's announcement, the Vermont General's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigates cases of child sexual exploitation occurring over the internet, including the production and online distribution of child sexual abuse materials.

The Vermont Attorney General's Office, U.S. Attorney's Office, Vermont State Police, Department of Homeland Security and other federal, state, county, and municipal law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies are affiliated with the task force.

https://www.vtcng.com/news_and_citizen/news/local_news/in-hyde-park-undercover-child-porn-sting-results-in-arrest/article_01620024-9013-11ec-abe5-932a7e7772e9.html

Police: Former school resource officer charged for possessing child pornography

Gail Paschall-Brown

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SEMINOLE COUNTY, Fla. — The Florida Department of Law Enforcement arrested Steven Selph on Friday and charged him with 10 counts related to child pornography.

Selph was an Altamonte Springs Police officer and school resource officer. He is being held in the Lake County Jail and was immediately terminated pending completion of the criminal investigation.

The alleged offenses happened on or between May 31 and Sept. 13 of this year at his home in Lake County.

With a search warrant, FDLE agents seized several electronic devices from Selph's home and found KIK accounts, one with several open chats with titles including: "Family Secrets, Cheer Girls, Cheerleading Uniforms."

The arrest report says the children in the files were "clearly and obviously under the age of 18" and one "younger than the age of 5."

The report also states Selph shared a photo of a young female on a boat wearing a bikini who appeared to be approximately 8 years old and "many of these chats were occurring while he was working as a School Resource Officer at an Elementary School."

FDLE says there is no indication that the children depicted in the images or chats involve children at the elementary school where Selph worked. Altamonte Springs Police released a statement that says in part: "That anyone could view images of this kind shocks the conscience and is abhorrent to all of us, particularly from a person placed in a position of trust."

<https://www.wesh.com/article/altamonte-springs-charges-child-pornography/41246510>

Largo man jailed on child pornography charges

By Tampa Bay Newspapers Staff
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LARGO — Police arrested a 51-year-old Largo man about 7 a.m. March 31 after receiving a tip he had uploaded images of child pornography.

Steven James Tincher was booked into the Pinellas County Jail and charged with four counts of possession of child pornography and six counts of transmission of child pornography. Bail was set at \$70,000.

A Largo police detective received a cyber tip in December 2021 from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children and opened an investigation as part of his duties in the Internet Crimes Against Children task force.

Police say the report was filed by a social media company and revealed that Tincher had used multiple accounts to receive and upload images of child pornography.

A residential search warrant was conducted March 31 with the assistance of the Tactical Apprehension and Control Team. Police say at the time of the search, four adults were inside the residence and cooperated with law enforcement.

Tincher was interviewed and reportedly admitted to using multiple user accounts within the past two-three years to receive images of child pornography. Police say Tincher also admitted to sharing these images with other users on the social media platform. According to police, some of the images were of children that appeared to be between 5 and 6 years of age.

Police say information from the case also was used to close a prior child pornography case involving a cyber tip that had been inactive.

Forensic review of the evidence found during the execution of the search warrant was continuing.

https://www.tbnweekly.com/pinellas_county/crime_crashes_fire/article_24a19e4c-b1be-11ec-97bf-ab351a06b8a9.html

Covington teen among GBI arrests on exploitation of children charges

Tom Spigolon

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COVINGTON, Ga. — A Covington teen and a Newborn resident are facing a series of child pornography charges after their arrests as part of an ongoing Georgia Bureau of Investigation effort into fighting internet crimes against children.

Taylor Boyd, 17, of Covington, and Rondriko Mohone, 39, of Newborn, were arrested Thursday, Jan. 20, on charges related to possession or distribution of child pornography and transported to the Newton County Detention Center, the GBI announced Friday.

Mohone was being held without bond at the detention center in Covington, while information about Boyd was not immediately available.

The investigations began after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent "numerous independent and unrelated cybertips" to the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit.

The cybertips were linked to Newton County and concerned the possession or distribution of explicit child sexual abuse material, commonly referred to as child pornography, according to the GBI.

On Thursday, the Newton County Sheriff's Office and the GBI's Atlanta Regional and West Metro Regional Drug Enforcement offices assisted the agency's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit in executing search warrants at two residences related to separate investigations pertaining to the crime of Sexual Exploitation of Children.

The warrants led to the arrests of Boyd and Mohone.

Boyd was charged with five counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Possession of Child Pornography) and three counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Distribution of Child Pornography).

Mohone was charged with four counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children (Distribution of Child Pornography) and one count of Tampering with Evidence.

"This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the child pornography trade," stated a GBI news release.

"The ICAC Program, created by the U.S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the internet, the proliferation of child pornography, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims."

Those with information about were asked to contact the GBI Child Exploitation and Computer

<https://www.covnews.com/news/crime/covington-teen-among-gbi-arrests-exploitation-children-charges/>

MPD arrests 29-year-old man for alleged child pornography possession

By Juliana Tornabene

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MADISON, Wis. (WMTV) - The Madison Police Department arrested a 29-year-old man Thursday morning following an ongoing child pornography investigation.

According to an incident report, members of the Dept. of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation, MPD Gang and Neighborhood Crime Abatement Team, SWAT and MPD's Special Victims Unit all conducted a search warrant around 7:15 a.m. at a residence on the 1200 block of East Washington Avenue.

The SVU arrested Taylor Cahalan for alleged possession of child pornography.

He was booked into the Dane County Jail.

<https://www.nbc15.com/2022/01/14/mpd-arrests-29-year-old-man-alleged-child-pornography-possession/>

CPSO: Shreveport man arrested for child pornography

By Brittney Hazelton

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SHREVEPORT, La. (KSLA) - Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office (CPSO) announced that cybercrime detectives have discovered videos and images of child pornography on a man's device.

On Sept. 22, CPSO made an announcement on Facebook that Terrance Thompson, 26, was arrested for allegedly possessing and distributing pornographic videos and photos of children.

The material showed children as young as 3-years-old to 4-years-old involved in sexual intercourse with adults.

During the investigation, so far six files have been discovered in his possession.

Thompson was arrested and booked into the Caddo Correctional Center for 6 counts of pornography involving juveniles. According to CPSO, more charges could follow as the investigation continues.

<https://www.ksla.com/2022/09/23/cps0-shreveport-man-arrested-child-pornography/>

Seven Upstate men arrested in child porn investigation, new charges filed

By Amanda Shaw

Oct. 28, 2022 at 4:05 PM EDT

WALHALLA, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The Oconee County Sheriff's Office said an investigation with the help of the Department of Homeland Security led to more than half a dozen arrests.

Over the course of two days, investigators executed search warrants at seven different homes based on evidence gathered following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Seven men were charged with possession of child pornography, which depicted victims between under 1 and 16 years old.

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced new charges were filed against five of the men.

In some instances, deputies said the material was also distributed over the internet.

The following suspects were charged:

Ernest Joseph McDonald

23 years old

New Madison Road, Westminster, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that McDonald was arrested on October 18 and released after posting bond. He was placed on an electronic monitoring device as a condition of his bond. However, on October 27 he was arrested and charged with an additional 49 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree charge. He remains in jail on a combined \$490,000 surety bond.

Thomas Gerald Allred

45 years old

Easter Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – Four Counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Allred was charged with an additional four counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He received a combined \$150,000 surety bond on the nine additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Terry Randall Belk, Jr.

23 years old

Oak Tree Drive, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Belk was charged with nine counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was given a \$140,000 surety bond on the additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device, as a condition of bond.

Jon Joseph Carranza

26 years old

Ralph Sheriff Road, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Carranza was charged with two counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was also given a combined \$50,000 surety bond on two additional charges. He will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Richard David Raffl

74 years old

Lake Ridge Circle, Walhalla, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

William Douglas Minner

59 years old

Cheohee Valley Road, Tamassee, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – 20 counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Minner was charged with 80 additional counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He will remain in jail on a \$1 million surety bond on the 100 total charges.

Robert Mann Hagan

74 years old

Violet Fields Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

<https://www.wmbfnews.com/2022/10/20/seven-upstate-men-arrested-child-porn-investigation/>

No Bond Hearing Set in Thomas Case

September 26, 2022

Nichole Hannahs

A no bond hearing is set for Monday in connection to the arrest of a southeast Ohio man arrested on child pornography charges.

The Noble County Sheriff's Office said 60-year-old Terry Thomas was charged with pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor. The arrest of Thomas came during a sheriff's office investigation in conjunction with the United State Department of Homeland Security into the trafficking of child pornography.

On September 21, officials executed a search warrant and arrested Thomas at a residence in the Village of Batesville.

He remains incarcerated at the Noble County Jail.

<https://whiznews.com/2022/09/26/no-bond-hearing-set-in-thomas-case/>

Man arrested for possessing child pornography

29 September 2022

NEW YORK STATE POLICE
Major Eugene J. Staniszewski
Troop A Commander

PRESS RELEASE

On September 2, 2022, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation out of SP Boston arrested Terry Wilcoxon, 39 of West Seneca, NY for Possession of Sexual Performance by a Child (E Felony).

On December 20, 2019, Troopers out of SP Boston information of the possible possession of sexual performance of a child case. Investigation determined that Wilcoxon did possess such material. Wilcoxon was arrested and transported to Erie County Holding Center.

<https://www.nyspnews.com/man-arrested-for-possessing-child-pornography.htm>

Marshfield man pleads not guilty to child porn charges

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MARSHFIELD, Wis. (WAOW) – The Marshfield man facing child pornography charges after a standoff with the Marshfield Police Department has pleaded not guilty.

Theodore Trahern, 28, was arrested in early April after police say he held them at bay for several hours in a Walmart parking lot.

According to a criminal complaint, the investigation into Trahern began in late January, after the United Kingdom National Crime Agency alerted Marshfield police to online conversations linked to Trahern that discussed sexual acts against a child.

Marshfield police contacted Trahern and searched his truck, finding an iPad and phone that allegedly contained 37 pictures and two videos that depicted child pornography.

On the day of the April standoff, police again approached Trahern with this evidence. That's when he reportedly refused to exit his truck, claiming he believed his life was over and he had nothing left to live for before showing a knife to responding officers.

Those officers called for backup and established a barricade before eventually convincing Trahern to surrender peacefully.

Trahern now faces 10 charges of child pornography along with failing to comply with an officer's order.

He's being held on a \$100,000 cash bond.

https://www.waow.com/news/marshfield-man-pleads-not-guilty-to-child-porn-charges/article_f12e3a50-d799-11ec-823d-7754bcb50149.html#:~:text=MARSHFIELD%2C%20Wis.,in%20a%20Walmart%20parking%20lot.

Seven Upstate men arrested in child porn investigation, new charges filed

By Amanda Shaw

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WALHALLA, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The Oconee County Sheriff's Office said an investigation with the help of the Department of Homeland Security led to more than half a dozen arrests.

Over the course of two days, investigators executed search warrants at seven different homes based on evidence gathered following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Seven men were charged with possession of child pornography, which depicted victims between under 1 and 16 years old.

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced new charges were filed against five of the men.

In some instances, deputies said the material was also distributed over the internet.

The following suspects were charged:

Ernest Joseph McDonald

23 years old

New Madison Road, Westminster, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that McDonald was arrested on October 18 and released after posting bond. He was placed on an electronic monitoring device as a condition of his bond. However, on October 27 he was arrested and charged with an additional 49 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree charge. He remains in jail on a combined \$490,000 surety bond.

Thomas Gerald Allred

45 years old

Easter Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – Four Counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Allred was charged with an additional four counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He received a combined \$150,000 surety bond on the nine additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Terry Randall Belk, Jr.

23 years old

Oak Tree Drive, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Belk was charged with nine counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was given a \$140,000 surety bond on the additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device, as a condition of bond.

Jon Joseph Carranza

26 years old

Ralph Sheriff Road, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Carranza was charged with two counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was also given a combined \$50,000 surety bond on two additional charges. He will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Richard David Raffl

74 years old

Lake Ridge Circle, Walhalla, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

William Douglas Minner

59 years old

Cheohee Valley Road, Tamassee, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – 20 counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Minner was charged with 80 additional counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He will remain in jail on a \$1 million surety bond on the 100 total charges.

Robert Mann Hagan

74 years old

Violet Fields Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

<https://www.foxcarolina.com/2022/10/20/seven-upstate-man-arrested-child-porn-investigation/>

Snapchat tip leads police to charge Charleston man with child sex crimes

By Ema Rose Schumer

Nov 7, 2022

A tip from the social media app Snapchat set in motion a police investigation that has led to the arrest of a Charleston man on allegations he possessed a slew of child pornographic videos.

Charleston police booked Thomas Elliot Aspinwall into the county jail Nov. 4 on 10 charges of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. The 38-year-old man was released the following day, records show, after posting a half-million dollar bail.

Aspinwall's attorney, Allie Menegakis, maintained her client was innocent.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provided a cyber tip to city police in the summer of 2020 regarding possible "child sexual abuse materials," according to an arrest warrant affidavit. The tip originated from Snapchat, which suspected one of its users had uploaded an image of child pornography.

A detective with the Charleston Police Department reviewed and substantiated the tip, leading law enforcement to execute a search warrant on Aug. 24 of this year at Aspinwall's Charleston residence, per the affidavit. Police seized numerous electronic devices and located ten videos depicting child sexual abuse imagery.

Aspinwall was previously the executive director of the now-defunct Charleston World Heritage Coalition, a nonprofit that strived for Charleston to obtain recognition as a World Heritage Site by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Since 2015, Aspinwall has worked as a self-employed consultant, according to his LinkedIn.

This is not the first time Aspinwall has been suspected of criminal behavior involving a minor.

He was arrested by Charleston County sheriff's deputies in 2015 on suspicions he and two other men — including a Hanahan police officer — exchanged pornographic photos of a 14-year-old boy, according to Post and Courier archives.

Aspinwall was charged with second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor after allegedly attempting to plan a sexual encounter with the boy.

His attorney, Tim Amey, denied the allegations.

It is unclear how Aspinwall's involvement in the case was resolved. There are no publicly available court records for the case, which typically occurs when a defendant has had the charges expunged.

The other two men arrested in the 2015 investigation were convicted.

The police officer, Michael Paul Norton, admitted to driving the 14-year-old boy in April 2015 to a wooded lot on Oak Island Drive, off Folly Road, and performing a sex act on the victim, court records show. Norton was 29 at the time.

Norton, of Summerville, pleaded guilty in 2017 to second-degree criminal sexual conduct with a minor. He received a 20-year prison sentence, but 14 years were suspended for probation.

This past spring, Norton was arrested on allegations he violated probation while living in Maine, where he relocated after his arrest. He allegedly provided a cell phone to a 16-year-old boy so they could communicate, despite a temporary protection order prohibiting contact between them. Norton also admitted to a probation officer he was watching pornography on his phone and using a dating app, which violated the conditions of his sex offender registration.

Philip Andrew Putnam, the third defendant, also pleaded guilty in 2017 to second-degree criminal sexual conduct with a minor, court records show. The Charleston man was sentenced to 15 years in prison, but nine years were suspended for probation.

https://www.postandcourier.com/news/snapchat-tip-leads-police-to-charge-charleston-man-with-child-sex-crimes/article_80e9d2ea-5ebc-11ed-957d-e3b963eb10aa.html

Northport man charged with multiple counts of possession of child pornography

By Sumner Harrell

Wednesday, February 9th 2022

USCALOOSA COUNTY, Ala. (WBMA) — A Northport man was arrested on multiple charges involving material depicting child sexual abuse, according to the West Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force.

Authorities said 22-year-old Thomas Ramos Chajal was charged Wednesday morning with eight counts of possession pornographic material depicting the sexual abuse of a child and one count of disseminating material depicting the sexual abuse of a child.

Investigators executed a search warrant at a residence in the 1800 block of 16th Street in Northport at 6:15 a.m. Authorities said probable cause was made to arrest Chajal after the search.

The arrest follows a multi-day operation conducted last week that led to the arrest of 10 suspects.

As part of that investigation, authorities said officers set up profiles on dating apps posing as juvenile female.

The “female” was contacted by more than 50 men. The investigators immediately stated her supposed age at the very beginning of each chat.

Authorities said even after the men were informed of her supposed age, 10 of the men continued communicating and suggested meeting for sex. They were arrested after arriving at the agreed upon location.

“We conduct these investigations where officers pose as minors as a way to prevent exploitation of children,” said task force commander Capt. Phil Simpson. “But the young victims whose abuse is depicted in the material recovered this morning are very real. Every one of our investigations is ultimately intended to protect victims and potential victims from future abuse.”

Chajal was being held in the Tuscaloosa County Jail with bond set at \$150,000.

<https://abc3340.com/news/local/northport-man-charged-with-multiple-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography-sex-abuse-human-trafficking-sting-west-alabama-human-trafficking-task-force-thomas-ramos-chajal>

Man jailed on child pornography charges

By Debbie Wachter | New Castle News
Jun 3, 2022

State agents arrested a lower North Hill man for reportedly downloading more than 100 images of child pornography on his cellular phone.

The Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General has filed charges against Thomas A. Dunlap, 52, of the 300 block of Shaw Street, in connection with multiple offenses dating back to July of 2021, according to a criminal complaint.

The state agency receive a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on Oct. 7 last year, regarding 108 images of child pornography that had been uploaded by a cell phone user, who through an investigation was identified as Dunlap. Some of the images showed children between ages 1 and 10 being sexually abused or exploited.

Upon further investigation, the agents determined that a total of 7,937 images and videos that were stored in the cloud showed at least 899 of them were of child pornography, the court document states.

Dunlap is charged with 50 felony counts of child pornography and one count of criminal use of a communication facility.

He was arraigned by District Judge Melissa A. Amodie, who committed him to the Lawrence County jail on a \$100,000 bond. Suspects are to be considered innocent until proven guilty.

https://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/local_news/man-jailed-on-child-pornography-charges/article_22ca4ae0-e2a8-11ec-bbfb-03e0710aad43.html

Soo man arrested for aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material

Public Radio 90, WNMU | By Nicole Walton
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SAULT STE. MARIE, MI— Michigan State Police have arrested a Sault Ste. Marie man in connection with child pornography charges.

Thomas Martin, 30, was taken into custody following an investigation by the MSP Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. A search of Martin's home resulted in the seizure of multiple internet capable devices and evidence. The MSP ICAC Task Force was assisted by the Sault Ste. Marie Post.

Martin was arraigned last week on two counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material. He remains jailed on a \$500,000 cash or surety bond.

The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected.

<https://www.wnmufm.org/crime/2022-02-14/soo-man-arrested-for-aggravated-possession-of-child-sexually-abusive-material>

El Dorado man arrested for child sex crimes

By KWCH Staff

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WICHITA, Kan. (KWCH) - The El Dorado Police Department on Tuesday arrested an El Dorado man for child sex crimes. El Dorado police said officers arrested Thomas Lee Pennycuff, a registered offender, for aggravated internet trading of child pornography and child exploitation.

The arrest happened during the execution of a search warrant on an El Dorado home.

“The search warrant was done as part of an investigation reported by way of a cyber tip, received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), alleging the sexual exploitation of children through the use of electronic devices,” El Dorado police said.

The department said it “is dedicated to investigating these crimes to aid in the protection of children in our community.”

<https://www.kwch.com/2022/08/17/el-dorado-man-arrested-child-sex-crimes/>

MAY 12, 2022

Greer Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Thomas Earl Piper, 58, of Greer, S.C., on four charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Greer Police Department made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Piper. Investigators state Piper possessed multiple files of child sexual abuse material.

Piper was arrested on May 9th, 2022. He is charged with four counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

<https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/greer-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-3/>

Marquette man arrested for child sexually abusive material

By TV6 News Team

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MARQUETTE, Mich. (WLUC) - A Marquette man is facing prison time for child pornography charges.

The Michigan State Police (MSP) Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force announced Tuesday the arrest of 37-year-old Thomas Charles Raymus for child sexually abusive material and using a computer to commit a crime.

Police say the investigation was initiated when a tip was received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Investigators searched the home Raymus was living in and took multiple internet-capable devices.

Raymus was charged with one count of child sexually abusive activity and one count of using a computer to commit a crime. Raymus was arraigned in 96th District Court on Jan. 20. The MSP ICAC Task Force was assisted by the Marquette Police Department. This investigation is ongoing, with the possibility of more charges being issued. If convicted, Raymus faces 20 years in prison for the child sexually abusive activity charge and 20 years in prison for the using a computer to commit a crime charge.

The MSP Computer Crimes Unit encourages parents to speak to their children about the safe use of the internet. There are many resources available to parents to assist in keeping children safe online.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a comprehensive list of resources on their website at <http://www.missingkids.org>. The MSP ICAC Task Force also provides resources at <http://www.michiganicac.com>.

<https://www.uppermichiganssource.com/2022/01/25/marquette-man-arrested-child-sexually-abusive-material/>

Claremont man sentenced for distributing child sex abuse images

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CLAREMONT — A Claremont man was sentenced to prison Wednesday for distributing sexual images of children via social media after pleading guilty.

Thomas Seaward, 44, was sentenced in Sullivan County Superior Court to a minimum of four years and maximum of 10 years in Concord state prison on one count of distribution of child sexual abuse images, according to state court records.

He was also pleaded guilty to one count of possession of said images, for which he received a sentence of 7½ to 10 years, all suspended, according to court records.

Seaward was indicted last year after a former roommate came forward to police saying he found sexually explicit images and videos of children on Seaward's phone, according to the police affidavit. Police obtained a search warrant for Seaward's phone and found the videos and photos, as well as 16 deleted images, many of them graphic, the affidavit said.

<https://www.vnews.com/Claremont-man-scheduled-for-sentencing-in-child-porn-case-45332931>

Area law enforcement and state AG's office team for child sex crime operation

July 29, 2022

by Joey Barnes

STARKVILLE, Miss. (WCBI) – Area law enforcement and the state Attorney General's office team for a child sex crime operation.

Thomas Shaw of Starkville is charged with possession of child sexual abuse materials.

William Hill of Oakland, California is charged enticement of a minor to meet for sexual purposes.

Starkville police say Shaw and Hill were both arrested in Starkville, as part of Operation Catfish.

In a press release, the AG's office says the week-long operation targeted people that were online attempting to meet kids for sex or produce child pornography.

A third person was also arrested in the sting but their name and charges have not been released or the location where they were arrested.

Police in Starkville, MSU, Tupelo, and Columbus, along with deputies in Monroe, Montgomery, and Webster Counties participated. MBI and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security were part of the operation.

<https://www.wcbi.com/area-law-enforcement-and-state-ags-office-team-for-child-sex-crime-operation/>

CyberTip of child pornography leads to Williston man's arrest

By Erika Craven

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BISMARCK, N.D. (KFYR) - A CyberTip led law enforcement to arrest a Williston man Friday in connection with a series of incidents involving child sexual abuse materials.

A Williams County detective says evidence traced through an IP address suggests that Thomas Stidd, 50, uploaded and shared sexually explicit videos of children through Dropbox and other data storage sites in October 2021.

Stidd is charged with six counts of promoting obscene sexual performance by a minor.

<https://www.kfyrtv.com/2022/01/22/cybertip-child-pornography-leads-williston-mans-arrest/>

Butler professor arrested on 10 counts of child porn

By: Matt Christy

Posted: Jan 27, 2022 / 02:50 PM EST

INDIANAPOLIS — A former Butler University professor claims he was “repulsed” by the images of child pornography that he eventually admitted to viewing. According to police, the professor said he sought out the illicit material when he was tired and depressed, commenting on having a “curiosity” toward it.

Police have charged Tiberiu Popa with 10 counts of possession of child pornography, each a Level 5 felony.

Popa taught at Butler University prior to his arrest and was a professor of philosophy along with being listed as a chairperson for the Department of Philosophy, Religion and Classics. Butler stated in a release, however, that Popa is no longer employed with the university following his alleged crimes.

“We are deeply disturbed by these allegations of such an abhorrent crime,” Butler University said in a statement. The university added that at this time they have no reason to believe that the inappropriate conduct occurred with any minors or students while Popa was on the Butler campus.

According to court documents, investigators were tipped off about the case of possible child pornography possession after a Butler University email linked to Popa was used to upload 24 files of suspected child porn to an online program. Investigators estimated the illicit images featured children in the range of 4 to 6 years of age.

Investigators obtained a search warrant and went to Popa’s Indianapolis home where police found further images of child pornography in a folder on his laptop. Children in these images were estimated to be between the ages of 6 to 10.

According to the court documents, Popa denied viewing or possessing any form of child pornography but later reportedly admitted to investigators of viewing it out of curiosity and having a tendency to seek out the illicit material when he was in a dark state of mind from being depressed. Popa allegedly told police he was “repulsed” by the images despite continuing to view them, struggling with these feelings for the past couple of months.

Popa was arrested on Friday, Jan. 21, and has bonded out of jail.

<https://fox59.com/news/indycrime/butler-university-professor-arrested-on-10-counts-of-child-porn/>

Ashford man arrested on 50 child porn charges

Staff Reports

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An Ashford man was arrested on dozens of charges related to disseminating child pornography on Friday.

Timothy Kirk Anderson, 45, is charged with 25 counts of possession with intent to disseminate child pornography and 25 counts of dissemination/display of child pornography, according to arrest records.

An investigation into Anderson's suspicious online activity began on Feb. 15. Houston County Sheriff's Office joined the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's State Bureau of Investigations and other law enforcement partners comprising the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to gather evidence and arrest Anderson.

Anderson is booked in the Houston County Jail with bonds totaling \$250,000.

https://dothaneagle.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/ashford-man-arrested-on-50-child-porn-charges/article_2d2deb14-98ba-11ec-bc3a-f3435cb88839.html

Trinity County deputies arrest man after search turns up child porn images

By Gary Bass

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TRINITY COUNTY, Texas (KTRE) - Deputies with the Trinity County Sheriff's Office arrested a 33-year-old man Tuesday after they executed a search warrant on a home in the Port Adventure subdivision and recovered electronic devices with pornographic images of children as young as 2 years old.

According to a post on Trinity County Sheriff Woody Wallace's Facebook page, Timothy Michael Zawodny was arrested and charged with second-degree felony possession of child pornography, second-degree felony indecency with a child by sexual contact, and third-degree felony possession with intent to promote child pornography.

Collectively, Zawodny's bond amount was set at \$205,000.

Wallace said his office got a tip from the Texas Attorney General's Office about Zawodny, and the information was enough for TCSO investigators to obtain a search warrant. TCSO deputies and investigators with the Texas AG's Office executed the search warrant at a home located in the 100 block of Red Bird Drive on Tuesday.

During the search, law enforcement officers found electronic devices with multiple images of child pornography. In some of them, adults could be seen engaging in sexual acts with children as young as 2 years old, Wallace said.

The sheriff added that Zawodny received some of the images from other people and took some of them himself. Zawodny also allegedly shared images with other people.

No additional arrests are pending at this time, Wallace said.

<https://www.kltv.com/2022/02/25/trinity-county-deputies-arrest-man-after-search-turns-up-child-porn-images/>

Department of Justice
U.S. Attorney's Office
District of South Dakota

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Rapid City Man Indicted on Child Pornography Charges

United States Attorney Dennis R. Holmes announced that a Rapid City, South Dakota, man has been indicted by a federal grand jury for two counts of Receipt of Child Pornography and two counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

Titus Amiotte, age 21, was indicted on February 17, 2022. He appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge Daneta Wollmann on February 25, 2022 and pleaded not guilty to the Indictment.

The maximum penalty upon conviction is a mandatory minimum of five years up to 20 years in federal prison and/or a \$250,000 fine, lifetime supervised release, and a \$100 assessment to the Federal Crime Victims Fund. Restitution may also be ordered.

Amiotte was federally indicted following a Cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The charges relate to Amiotte receiving and possessing child pornography between 2020 and 2022. The charges are merely accusations and Amiotte is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The investigation is a joint effort between the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce, Homeland Security Investigations, South Dakota Division of Criminal Investigation, Rapid City Police Department, and the Pennington County Sheriff's Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Heather Sazama is prosecuting the case.

Amiotte was remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service pending trial, which has been set for May 3, 2022.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-sd/pr/rapid-city-man-indicted-child-pornography-charges-13#:~:text=Amiotte%20was%20federally%20indicted%20following,until%20and%20unless%20proven%20guilty.>

Banks County man charged with sexual exploitation of children

By Lawson Smith Reporter

Posted 10:00AM on Monday 18th July 2022

On Thursday, July 14, a Banks County man, Todd Glassburn, 33, was arrested by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crime (CEAAC) Unit and has been charged with five accounts of child sex crimes. He is currently being held at the Banks County Jail.

The GBI CEACC Unit began investigating Glassburn's online activity after a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) was given. The tip was in regards to the online possession and distribution of images depicting child sexual abuse material.

GBI explained in a press release that this investigation is a part of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force's efforts to identify those involved with the child pornography trade.

Anyone with information regarding other cases of child exploitation is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870. Tips can also be submitted by calling 1-800-597-TIPS(8477), online at

<https://gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online>, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

Lawton man charged with Possession of Child Pornography

By Alex Rosa-Figueroa

Published: Jan. 5, 2022 at 9:28 PM EST

LAWTON, Okla. (KSWO) - A Lawton man has been charged after police said they found child pornography on his phone.

Investigators said they seized Tommy Lemons' phone and computer this week, after a cyber tip reported intercepting images of child pornography from his number.

Initially no evidence was found on the computer or other seized devices, but an extraction of Lemons' phone revealed images of child porn , as well as "explicit anime images."

Lemons is charged with Possession of Child Pornography and Possession of Obscene Material.

His bond has been set at \$100,000.

<https://www.kswo.com/2022/01/06/lawton-man-charged-with-possession-child-pornography/>

West Boca Man Arrested For Distributing Child Porn

May 25, 2022

Lives Half Of A Mile From Elementary School. Uploaded Child Porn To Snapchat and Dropbox. Sent Inappropriate Images To Underage Girls.

Boca Raton, FL – Boca Post (BocaPost.com) — A 23 year old Boca Raton man was arrested Wednesday morning by Palm Beach Sheriff's Office for possession and distribution of child pornography.

Tommy Su, 23, of SW 55th Ave, in the Sandalfoot Cove area of West Boca Raton, was arrested Wednesday morning on 6 counts of possession and 6 counts of distribution of child pornography.

According to arrest records, Tommy Su lives on 55th Ave approximately a half of a mile from Hammock Point Elementary School.

According to the arrest report, PBSO investigated Su as a result of a CyberTip received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The CyberTip included information about at least 6 occurrences of obscene images being uploaded to Snapchat and Dropbox. A PBSO investigator, who is a member of the National Internet Crimes against Children Task Force (South Florida Chapter) was assigned the case and investigated the occurrences that allegedly happened in August of 2021.

During the interview that followed the investigation, Su admitted to transmitting at least 6 obscene images of children and animals. Due to the obscenity of the images, we will not describe them any further. Su also admitted to communicating with underage girls and sending them graphic images of himself. Digital Forensic Examiners found an additional 7 images on seized phones.

<https://bocapost.com/news/crime/breaking-west-boca-man-arrested-for-distributing-child-porn/>

Internet Crimes Against Children: Etowah, RBC investigations lead to 22 arrests this year

Donna Thorton The Gadsden Times
May 2, 2022

Investigators with the Etowah County Sheriff's Office and Rainbow City Police Department conducted four warranted searches Thursday, and made four arrests for child pornography and other charges.

Sheriff Jonathon Horton and RBC Chief John Bryant said the investigators, who are part of the state's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, have made 22 arrests since the first of the year in connection with pornography investigations.

Arrests Thursday included a father and son, Horton said, who were charged with possession of child pornography.

Bryant said since the end of February, two of the department's detectives have been conducting online chats that have resulted in seven arrests, on charges ranging from sending explicit images to minors to traveling to meet a minor for sex.

Arrests have been made in Alabama, and in other states as well. Some offenders are awaiting extradition to Alabama.

Both Bryant and Horton expressed appreciation for the investigative team's efforts. "We understand it takes dedication and long hours working the cases mentioned," they said in a joint statement, "but the investigators work tirelessly to help ensure children are being protected."

Other agencies were involved as well: Jacksonville and Leesburg police in Alabama; Houston, El Paso, Louisville, New Albany (Indiana), Grand Rapids (Michigan) and Colorado Springs police departments elsewhere in the U.S.; Harris County (Texas), Ottawa County (Michigan) and El Paso County (Colorado) sheriff's offices; and the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles.

Arrests made since Jan. 1 included:

- Travis Lynn Butler II, 52, arrested Thursday, charged with 20 counts of possession of child pornography;

- Travis Lynn Bulter III, 25, arrested Thursday, charged with nine counts of possession of child pornography;
- Devin Wayne Lankford, 19, arrested Thursday, charged with 11 counts of possession of child pornography;

- Aaron Vandebout, 46, arrested April 20, charged with 10 counts of transmitting obscene material to a child;

- Kevin Swiderski, 44, arrested March 7, charged with two counts of traveling to meet a child for sex;

- Kyle Cain, 37, arrested March 15, charged with transmitting obscene material to a child.

The 22 arrests cited included other cases previously reported, and some arrested in other locations, awaiting extradition.

Another arrest was for drug possession, and seven were arrested on charges of chemical endangerment of a child.

<https://www.gadsdentimes.com/story/news/2022/05/02/authorities-make-child-porn-arrests/9614224002/>

Police: EC man tried to arrange sex with 14-year-old girl

Dan Holtz, The Leader-Telegram, Eau Claire, Wis.
August 30, 2022

Aug. 31—EAU CLAIRE — An Eau Claire man tried to arrange a sexual encounter with a 14-year-old girl, police say.

Travis W. Frazee, 50, was charged this week in Eau Claire County Court with a felony count of using a computer to facilitate a child sex crime.

Judge Jon Theisen ordered a \$100,000 cash bail for Frazee, which prohibits him from having contact with children, and using cellphones, the internet or any communication application.

Frazee returns to court Tuesday for a preliminary hearing.

According to the criminal complaint:

An Eau Claire police officer learned Sunday that two local residents took it upon themselves to pose as a 14-year-old girl to investigate people perpetuating child sex crimes through the internet. The residents are not associated with law enforcement.

The residents used an ad on the internet to begin a chat with a man they had identified as Frazee.

After weeks of explicit chats and receipt of explicit images from Frazee, the residents set a meeting on Sunday in Eau Claire between Frazee and the fictional girl.

Frazee was interviewed by police after he was confronted by the two local residents at the meeting location.

Frazee told police he made a poor decision and needed help. He said he has needed help with sexual addiction in the past.

Frazee said he is from Texas and is currently living out of an Eau Claire motel. He said he recently obtained a job as a truck driver in Minnesota and was set to begin that employment in early September.

Frazee told police he often watches pornography and actively seeks out younger looking females.

Fraze said he was previously investigated for alleged child sex crimes in Texas but was never charged.

Fraze told police he knew he should have ended the conversation with the person he believed was a 14-year-old girl. He said he continued because he was "caught up in the fantasies."

Fraze acknowledged that he sent photos of his genitals to the girl and knew he shouldn't have done so.

Fraze confirmed his conversation with the girl was explicit. He made no denials and readily admitted the messages were sent by him and they were inappropriate.

If convicted, Frazee could be sentenced to up to 25 years in prison.

<https://finance.yahoo.com/finance/news/police-ec-man-tried-arrange-040100643.html>

Many children have their own smartphones these days, Heck wrote, "and this makes an individual like Muckelroy very dangerous."

Peter Dujardin, Daily Press
June 10, 2022

Navy sailor posed as a 13-year-old boy to solicit explicit photos and video. A federal judge sentenced him to 25 years.

A federal judge this week sentenced a Navy sailor to 25 years behind bars in a child sexual exploitation case.

Travis James Muckelroy, 27, of Newport News, developed online relationships with two girls — ages 12 and 13 — in 2021, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia.

He communicated with them on Snapchat, then requested explicit photographs and videos. With at least one of the girls, he posed as a 13-year-old boy.

Prosecutors said he also talked with other girls believed to be minors but whose identities could not be confirmed. Searches of Muckelroy's cell phone and computer found more than 560 pictures and 24 videos of child pornography, court documents said.

Muckelroy, of Newport News, has been in the Navy since 2019, recently stationed on the aircraft carrier USS Gerald R. Ford. He pleaded guilty in February to one count of "coercion and enticement" of a minor. Eight other counts pertaining to child porn were dismissed as part of a plea agreement.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew Heck asked U.S. District Judge Rebecca Beach Smith for 30 years of prison time, saying the judge's main concern "should be the protection of the public from Muckelroy's sexual predations."

Many children have their own smartphones these days, Heck wrote, "and this makes an individual like Muckelroy very dangerous."

"This was not a one-time act or a singular lapse in judgment," the prosecutor added. "Rather, it was the repeated sexual abuse of multiple impressionable and vulnerable minors that involved substantial effort."

Muckelroy's lawyer, Supervisory Assistant Federal Public Defender Keith Kimball, asked for 15 years, saying Muckelroy cooperated with investigators, pleaded guilty, lost his Navy job and "will carry the stigma and suffer the consequences of this conviction for the rest of his life."

Kimball said Muckelroy has had deaths in his family, faced the trauma of an active shooter at his Navy base in Florida, and felt isolated in the pandemic.

"Before this, he'd lived a successful life as a son, shipmate, and friend," Kimball wrote. "He is committed to rehabilitation."

"I don't want what I did to define me as a person," Muckelroy wrote in a letter to Smith. "I know I can still become a good person ... I still have time to make things right in life, and I want the chance to do that."

Smith came down closer to the prosecution's side, sentencing Muckelroy to 25 years, plus a lifetime of post-release supervision

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/navy-sailor-posed-13-old-214500992.html>

South Carolina
Attorney General
Alan Wilson

Horry County Men Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

AUG 30, 2022

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Travis S. Norbury, 28, of Conway, S.C., and Matthew Lamar Lewis, 24, of Loris, S.C., on 23 total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Horry County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with these investigations.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Norbury and Lewis. Investigators state Norbury and Lewis distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Norbury was arrested on August 30, 2022. He is charged with 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Lewis was arrested on August 29, 2022. He is charged with 11 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Both of these cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

<https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/horry-county-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/>

Cybertip leads police to arrest Mandan man for sending explicit photos/videos of children

By Erika Craven

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MANDAN, N.D. – A 21-year-old Mandan man has been arrested after police said he sent child sexual abuse materials online.

Investigators say a Cybertip led them to the IP address of Trevor Duenas. They said a search of Duenas' phone revealed 500 videos and 200 images of sexual abuse against children ranging from about six to 14 years old.

According to court documents, Duenas said he uploaded and distributed the material between Aug. 2020 and March 2022.

Duenas is charged with possession of materials prohibited and promoting or directing an obscene sexual performance by a minor.

<https://www.kfyrtv.com/2022/05/17/cybertip-leads-police-arrest-mandan-man-sending-explicit-photosvideos-children/>

Bossier man accused of possessing child porn, destroying evidence

By Rachael Thomas

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BOSSIER PARISH, La. (KSLA) - A man from Bossier Parish has been arrested after allegedly possessing child pornography and destroying evidence.

The Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office said Trevor Griffin, 22, was arrested Thursday, Aug. 19, after detectives got a tip indicating he was in possession of child porn. During the investigation, detectives reportedly found images of prepubescent children under the age of 13.

After being read his rights, Griffin reportedly admitted the images were his and that he had also deleted other images from his electronic devices. Griffin was then booked into the Bossier Parish Maximum Security Facility on six counts of pornography involving juveniles and one count of obstruction of justice (evidence tampering). His bond was set at a quarter of a million dollars.

The case remains under investigation.

<https://www.ksla.com/2022/08/19/bossier-man-accused-possessing-child-porn-destroying-evidence/>

Man Accused of Having 700 Images of Sexually Abused Minors

By Doug Barrett

May 18, 2022 | 1:46 PM

U.S. News & World Report By Associated Press

MANDAN, N.D. (AP) A Mandan man who police say had 700 videos and images of child sexual abuse on his phone is charged with two felonies.

Officers arrested 21-year-old Trevor Duenas Monday after executing a search warrant at his home following tips received about the crime.

Investigators say they found 23 files had been uploaded to accounts associated with email addresses which Duenas later admitted owning, the Bismarck Tribune reported.

A court affidavit states the files depicted girls ages 6 to 16 engaged in sexual activity.

Investigators sought a search warrant after discovering the files and obtaining street address information linked to the account owner.

Investigators said they found 500 videos and 200 images on Duenas phone, which they confiscated during the search.

The affidavit said Duenas admitted to possessing and distributing the materials since moving to North Dakota in 2020. Duenas is charged with promoting or directing an obscene sexual performance by a minor and possessing prohibited materials.

<https://www.iqstock.news/n/man-accused-700-images-sexually-abused-minors-3915867/>

BULLHEAD CITY — A Bullhead City man was arrested Thursday in connection to a child pornography investigation.

Daily News

May 22, 2022 5:02 AM

Trey Michael Maillet, 24, is charged with sexual conduct with a minor, sexual exploitation of a minor and a probation violation.

Maillet was reportedly on probation for a prior conviction of sexual exploitation of a minor and is a Level Two registered sex offender.

On May 6, the Bullhead City Police Department received information from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force about possible child pornography being uploaded and distributed.

Detectives traced the alleged offense to Maillet's residence in the 1800 block of El Dorado Drive.

On May 19, detectives seized computers and other electronic devices from Maillet's home and arrested him.

He was booked into the Mohave County jail in Kingman without incident and is being held on bond.

<https://mohavedailynews.com/news/140242/bhc-man-arrested-for-child-pornography/>

23-year-old man from Polo arrested for images of child sex abuse

By WIFR Newsroom

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POLO, Ill. (WIFR) - Illinois State Police Division of Criminal Investigation have made an arrest in child pornography investigation on Wednesday.

Tristan C. Smith, 23, of Polo, is charged with for three counts of possession of child pornography, a Class 2 Felony.

On Jan. 12, 2022, ISP DCI Investigators, along with ISP District 1 Troopers, Homeland Security, Dixon Police Department, Ogle County Sheriff's Office, and Polo Police Department, searched Smith's residence in the 600 block of West Mason, Polo, following an investigation involving child pornography.

During the search, investigators found evidence supporting the Smith's arrest. Police also recovered five weapons from the residence.

Smith is currently being held at the Ogle County Jail, pending a bond hearing. The investigation remains open and on-going. No further information has been released at this time.

<https://www.wifr.com/2022/01/12/23-year-old-man-polo-arrested-images-child-sex-abuse/>

Central Illinois man arrested on 15 counts of child porn

by WICS/WRSP Staff

Friday, June 17th 2022

SHELBY COUNTY, Ill. (WICS/WRSP) — A 19-year-old from Decatur has been charged with 15 counts of child pornography.

Shelby County State's Attorney Nichole Kroncke says Tyler J. Davis disseminated depictions of child pornography involving children under the age of 13 and in one instance it was a child under the age of 18.

The 15 counts of dissemination of child pornography are Class X felonies with a mandatory prison sentence ranging between 6 and 30 years.

Davis was arrested on Thursday, June 16.

His bond was set at \$250,000.

He is scheduled to be back in court on June 22.

<https://newschannel20.com/news/local/central-illinois-man-arrested-on-15-counts-of-child-porn>

Rowley man charged with having child porn

By Dave Rogers | drogers@newburyportnews.com

May 5, 2022

ROWLEY — A local man charged with possessing child pornography posted \$10,000 bail Wednesday following his arraignment in Newburyport District Court.

Tyler Ruest, 27, of Farnham Road was ordered not use the internet except for school and court matters and is due back in court May 26 for a pretrial hearing.

Rowley police Detective Robert Adams received a tip in mid-April from state police that someone living in Rowley may have been downloading child pornography via Kik, a social media messaging app.

With the aid of the state's Attorney General's Office, the detective was able to track down the computer's internet protocol number and the internet company that provided access. The subscriber was later identified as living on Farnham Road. The tip also provided police with the type of phone used to download the images, according to Adams' report.

Adams also downloaded 89 pornographic digital files that were "uploaded and shared via Kik messenger application" by Ruest, according his report.

On Monday, Rowley and Ipswich police detectives, along with forensic examiners, went to Ruest's home with a search warrant. Ruest handed over his cellphone and gave police his pass code so they could access it.

As officers searched the home. Ruest agreed to be interviewed by Adams. Ruest denied downloading child pornography or using any messaging apps including Kik.

"Ruest was then advised that his phone was being taken into custody, and analyzed at a digital forensic lab. When he heard this, he stated that he 'may have clicked a link' too which was randomly sent to him but never observed or possessed child pornography," Adams wrote in his report, adding that the phone matched the one mentioned in the tip.

It did not take long for the forensic team to find child pornography prompting police to arrest Ruest, according to Adams' report.

https://www.newburyportnews.com/news/rowley-man-charged-with-having-child-porn/article_cafb9106-cbdd-11ec-a3d5-3b0a49eaab96.html#:~:text=ROWLEY%20%E2%80%94%20A%20local%20man%20charged,26%20for%20a%20pretrial%20hearing

South Jersey Men Arrested On Child Pornography Charges: Prosecutor

By Jon Craig

02/07/2022 3:50 p.m.

Authorities in Burlington County announced a pair of arrests for the possession of child pornography.

Roger A. Eichinger, 58, of Browns Mills, was charged with third-degree endangering the welfare of a child, according to Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina and Pemberton Township Police Chief Jason Watters.

Eichinger was taken into custody on Feb. 1 and released following a first appearance in Superior Court in Mount Holly.

An investigation began in November 2021 after the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit received information regarding Eichinger's online activities from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Coffina and Walters said. The investigation revealed that Eichinger maintained images and videos of child sexual abuse material in an online data storage system, they said.

Multiple electronic devices were seized from Eichinger's residence during a warranted search, they said.

In a separate case, Coffina announced that a 26-year-old Florence Township man also has been charged with possessing child sexual abuse material.

Tyler Wright was charged with third-degree endangering the welfare of a child, Coffina said. He was taken into custody on Friday, Feb. 4 and released following a first appearance in Superior Court in Mount Holly.

This investigation began after the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit received information regarding Wright's online activities from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The investigation revealed that Wright maintained images and videos of child sexual abuse material in an online data storage system, Coffina said.

BCPO High-Tech Crimes Detective Troy Sudek was the lead investigator in both cases.

<https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/burlington/news/south-jersey-men-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-prosecutor/825553/>

Fontana man is arrested on child pornography charges

Updated Feb 7, 2022

A 27-year-old Fontana man was arrested on child pornography charges, according to the Fontana Police Department.

Detectives from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that Uriel Alejandro Loera Gutierrez was allegedly downloading and distributing child pornography over the internet.

On Feb. 2, a search warrant was served at the suspect's residence in the 7600 block of Lombardy Avenue, and detectives seized multiple electronic devices. Gutierrez was booked at West Valley Detention Center.

Gutierrez was using the following screen names to communicate with minors on social media platforms over the last several years:

----- Snapchat:

elminicooper (Display name: Beep Boop)

ezduess (Display name: Al eX)

john_dorner (Display name: john Dorner)

euphoria.zra (Display name: ale B)

Discord:

Username: caliegh's my lil c^msl^t Email: doomfistmedaddii@gmail.com

Username: uwurawr Email: alexloera638@gmail.com

----- Instagram:

wishforstability

wishfforstabilityxyz

dontbesimpin007

----- Twitch:

wishforstabilityx

----- Twitter:

alex10085868

Alex82218753

----- Facebook:

Alex Loera alex.loera.925

Alex Loera alex.loera.376258

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-man-is-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/article_5021c264-856c-11ec-8780-f315c65894d7.html

74-year-old Volusia County man arrested, facing charges for child pornography

Updated: 3:20 PM EDT Sep 2, 2022

VOLUSIA COUNTY, Fla. —

The Volusia County Sheriff's Office said a man was arrested Friday and faces charges of possessing child pornography.

Victor Blandin, 74, of Deltona is accused of having sexual images and videos of children.

Deputies were contacted by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, leading to the start of an investigation in December.

Detectives obtained a search warrant and conducted a search of Blandin's residence. According to the Volusia County Sheriff's Office, several files of child pornography were discovered, and the children were between the ages of 5 and 12.

Deputies said Blandin is facing charges of three counts of possessing sexual performance of a child.

Blandin is in custody at the Volusia County Branch Jail.

The Volusia County Sheriff's Office said no evidence of local victims were found during the investigation.

Deputies ask anyone with information about this case or similar cases to contact the Child Exploitation Unit at 386-323-3574.

<https://www.wesh.com/article/deltona-man-arrested-child-pornography/41068176#>

Panama City man charged with possession of child porn

By: Emma Riley

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PANAMA CITY, Fla. (WMBB) — A Panama City man was arrested and charged with possession of child porn.

Victor Bossen, 19, was charged with 24 counts of child pornography and soliciting sexual conduct from a minor.

According to the Panama City Police Department, Bossen was in possession of sexually explicit pictures and video of a Wisconsin girl and threatened to blackmail her.

The child's family contacted Wisconsin authorities and showed the text messages from Bossen on the girl's cell phone.

On Friday, Panama City police investigators detectives searched Bossen's phone and found 15 videos and nine images of the girl.

He was booked into the Bay County Jail.

Anyone having information in this case is urged to call the Panama City Police Department at 850-872-3100, or they can report tips anonymously via smartphone by downloading the "Panama City PD" Tip411 app from the iOS or Google Play stores.

<https://www.mypanhandle.com/news/panama-city-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-porn-2/>

Child sexual abuse materials allegedly recovered from Wilkes-Barre man's devices

By Ed Lewis

April 27, 2022

WILKES-BARRE — A Wilkes-Barre man claimed he was “curious” as a reason he allegedly received and shared child sexual abuse materials, according to court records.

Victor Manuel Santana-Alvarez, 55, of Vulcan Street, was arrested Tuesday on allegations he possessed multiple pictures and video files of children engaged in sex acts or nude on two mobile devices, court records say.

Detectives with the Luzerne County District Attorney's Office and West Hazleton police, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and state police Northeast Computer Crime Unit and Special Victims Unit, received several cybertips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The cybertips were initially received at the Delaware County District Attorney's Office near Philadelphia and passed onto detectives in Luzerne County.

Information in the cybertips suggested child sexual abuse materials were uploaded on a social media site that was linked to an internet address registered to the residence of Santana-Alvarez, court records say.

Detectives executed a search warrant at Santana-Alvarez's home just after 6 a.m. Tuesday.

Santana-Alvarez greeted detectives at the front door as his wife slept in a bedroom, court records say.

Court records say Santana-Alvarez consented to being interviewed and admitted he has been “curious” about child sexual abuse materials for about one year.

Santana-Alvarez claimed he received child sexual abuse materials after he created a social media account and joined a group that shares obscene and illegal pictures and video of children engaged in sex acts, court records say.

Detectives in court records reported Santana-Alvarez stated he does not personally know anyone in the group but they are all over the world and was going to report

those responsible to law enforcement.

A forensic examination of electronic devices seized from Santana-Alvarez's house recovered 20 images of child sexual abuse materials from two mobile devices, court records say.

Santana-Alvarez was arraigned by District Judge Alexandra Kokura Kravitz in Pittston on 20 counts of possession of child pornography, five counts of dissemination of photo or video of children engaged in sex acts and a single count of criminal use of communication facility. He was jailed at the county correctional facility for lack of \$150,000 bail.

<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1553001/child-sexual-abuse-materials-allegedly-recovered-from-wilkes-barre-mans-devices>

BCPO: Lyndhurst man, 21, nabbed on child-porn charges

By Kevin A. Canessa Jr. | Editor & Broadcaster
21 April 2022

A Lyndhurst man has been arrested on child pornography and endangerment charges, Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella said.

The arrest of Vincent P. Incalcaterra, 21, was the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

According to Musella, on Thursday, April 14, 2022, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at Incalcaterra's Lyndhurst home during the course of a months-long Internet child pornography investigation.

The investigation revealed Incalcaterra used the Internet to view, download, possess and distribute files depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent children. In addition, he reportedly used social media to engage in sexually explicit dialogue and video chats with children, some of whom he convinced to undress on camera.

As a result of the investigation, Incalcaterra was arrested Thursday, April 14, in Paramus, and was charged with first-degree production of child pornography, second-degree distribution of child pornography, third-degree possession of child pornography and third-degree endangering the welfare of a child.

Incalcaterra was remanded to the Bergen County Jail, pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

This investigation continues. Any parent or guardian who determines their child received inappropriate communications from the following social media accounts may contact the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Tips Line at (201) 226-5532: "pandora.use," "aleonardo4713," joh victor," "F.Zinkart" and/or "fatchode."

Musella thanked the Lyndhurst Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Englewood Police Department which participates in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

<https://www.theobserver.com/2022/04/21/bcpo-lyndhurst-man-21-nabbed-on-child-porn-charges/>

Suburban sex offender charged with distributing, possessing child porn

By: Andy Koval

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SOUTH BARRINGTON, Ill. — A convicted sex offender is facing five felonies for allegedly distributing and possessing child pornography.

Vincent Salvaggio, 55, of South Barrington, has been charged with solicitation, dissemination and two counts of possession of child pornography. Additionally, he was also charged with violation of the sex offender registration act for allegedly failing to disclose all of his social media accounts.

Police said he admitted on Tuesday to sending and receiving explicit images and videos of children as young as infants.

He is currently registered as a sex offender in Illinois for a 2010 conviction in North Carolina for criminal sexual abuse of an underage child.

Salvaggio's next court appearance is scheduled for Friday.

<https://wgntv.com/news/suburban-sex-offender-charged-with-distributing-possessing-child-porn/>

Sex offender in Summerfield arrested after tip leads to child pornography activity

ByStaff Report

July 1, 2022

A convicted sex offender in Summerfield was arrested after a tip led to child pornography activity.

The tip was received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and indicated that 32-year-old Waldemar Torres, who lives at 2550 SE 173rd St., was using an illicit email address to download child pornography, according to an arrest report from the Marion County Sheriff's Office. He also had a secret smart phone he was using in violation of his probation.

A search warrant was obtained leading to Torres' arrest for violating registration requirements due to his sex offender status. He was convicted in 2013 of multiple child pornography charges in Marion County. He was sentenced to five years in state prison.

When the search warrant was executed at his home, investigators found that he had downloaded images showing child sexual abuse.

He was taken into custody on multiple charges, including violating his probation. He was booked without bond at the Marion County Jail.

<https://www.villages-news.com/2022/07/01/sex-offender-in-summerfield-arrested-after-tip-leads-to-child-pornography-activity/>

Crescent City Man Arrested After Allegedly Admitting to Possessing and Distributing Child Pornography, Police Say

JOHN ROSS FERRARA

MONDAY, MARCH 28 @ 6 P.M. / CRIME

Crescent City Police Department press release:

On 3-28-2022 the Crescent City Police Department, with the assistance of CDCR Pelican Bay CRT and K9 Units, served a search warrant in the 1000 block of 6th Street in Crescent City. The focus of the search warrant was for child pornography.

CCPD received an investigation from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force regarding Walter Neeley, age 64, sending child pornography to other adults via Facebook Messenger. Officer Alex Pearson was assigned to conduct follow up investigation and obtained a search warrant for Neeley's residence on 3-28-2022.

During the search warrant Neeley was located inside his garage and then interviewed. Neeley admitted to possessing and distributing child pornography. Neeley was then booked in the Del Norte County Jail for a violation of 311.11 of the California Penal Code.

The investigation is ongoing as we will be conducting a forensic examination of the devices seized from Neeley's residence, and we will be forwarding the investigation to the Del Norte County District Attorney's Office for review.

<https://wildrivers.lostcoastoutpost.com/2022/mar/28/crescent-city-man-arrested-after-allegedly-admitti/>

Child pornography ring exposed by investigation in Pauls Valley

by: Nick Camper/KFOR
Jun 10, 2022 / 06:13 PM CDT

PAULS VALLEY, Okla. (KFOR) – An investigation into one man from Pauls Valley led authorities to find a network of child pornography.

Warren Gilbert was arrested in April. The Garvin County Sheriff's Office said Gilbert's computer was searched and investigators found videos and pictures of sexually exploited underage children.

Videos found contained a 15-year-old girl having sex with an adult man. Others showed kids as young as 3 months old being sexually abused.

Law enforcement discovered these videos were being sent through Zoom meetings.

The source of the videos allegedly come from Neal Garith, a man from Baltimore, Maryland.

"We're finding that it's not just one person," said Jim Mullett, Garvin County Sheriff. "It's an organization is what we're finding."

Mullett said Homeland Security assisted in the investigation, and will continue to help with the remaining suspects.

Terabytes of data have been collected.

The sheriff said 3,000 videos were found on Gilbert's computer and 3,400 were found on Garith's computer.

The chain of command starts with Garith, Mullett said. And his reach extended to Oklahoma, other states, and even other countries.

Sheriff Mullett said four other individuals are suspected to be involved in this ring. One of them is currently out of the country.

"We're making it our mission to go after these guys," declared Mullett.

Jessica Youman lives just doors down from where Gilbert was arrested.

"You never see them outside and you never see them doing anything. They've never talked to any of the other neighbors around here," said Youman, describing how Gilbert seemed to live in a rental house with other people.

She has three children with one being 3 months old.

Youman said she has a son that likes to ride his bike around the neighborhood.

Since hearing of the arrest, she has made changes to her parenting.

"They don't go anywhere without me being able to find them because they have location trackers and stuff on that now," said Youman, talking about her oldest son now having a cell phone to know where he is.

Garvin County Sheriff's Office received the crime tip from a program that allows providers, such as AT&T, to notify law enforcement about suspicious activity.

Youman said it's problematic knowing there are people that hide inside their homes, searching for or requesting sexual images and videos of underage children.

"Now that the internet is such a big thing and the crime forces are clamping down on that, it's just like, 'What in the actual hell is going on?'" she said.

If you suspect a child is being sexually exploited, contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-THE-LOST or www.cybertipline.com.

<https://kfor.com/news/local/child-pornography-ring-exposed-by-investigation-in-pauls-valley/>

Kenosha man charged; accused of possessing large amount of child pornography

Daniel Gaitan Nov 9, 2022 Updated Nov 9, 2022

A 67-year-old Kenosha man is facing numerous criminal charges for allegedly possessing large quantities of child pornography.

William Alan Gregory was charged Wednesday with 12 counts of possession of child pornography, a Class D felony, in Kenosha County Circuit Court. He faces decades in prison if convicted.

Gregory made his initial appearance at Intake Court Wednesday afternoon where Court Commissioner Loren Keating imposed a \$25,000 cash bond. A preliminary hearing is set for Nov. 18.

Allegations against him

According to the criminal complaint, a Kenosha Police detective reported that he received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding images of child pornography that were stored on a Google account for an email address. The detective reportedly reviewed the photos from the CyberTip and determined that they contained child pornography.

The detective then obtained a subpoena from Charter Communications regarding the IP addresses involved in the CyberTip. The subscriber information from Charter Communications indicated the subscriber to be Gregory, according to the complaint, who resides in the 1800 block of 22nd Avenue.

On Tuesday morning, detectives and officers executed a search warrant at the residence in question. When officers arrived, detectives reportedly went to the door and made contact with Gregory.

When inside the residence a detective reportedly found numerous laptops.

Gregory reportedly immediately said his computers had been hacked and that there were times his computers just stopped working.

In addition to the laptops located in the apartment, officers took possession of two cell phones, several thumb drives, DVDs, 8mm camcorder tapes, as well as multiple

Polaroid pictures located in an upright dresser in Gregory's bedroom, according to the complaint.

Investigators reportedly found child pornography among the Polaroid photos and on electronic devices. There are many other photos and videos that investigators believe to be child pornography on the thumb drives, according to the complaint.

The laptops have yet to be examined and there are also reportedly hundreds of DVDs and 8mm video cassettes to be examined.

Gregory was arrested and transported to the Kenosha County Jail.

https://www.kenoshanews.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/kenosha-man-charged-accused-of-possessing-large-amount-of-child-pornography/article_fd221222-6066-11ed-9c50-fb25ef69ac44.html

Man sought on rape and pornography charges involving a minor

By Hellen Patton Dayton Daily Magazine
2022-03-03

Sidney, Ohio – An arrest warrant has been issued for a man accused of raping a girl and creating images of child pornography.

According to court records, William Justice II, 41, is wanted for rape and three counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor.

According to authorities, a complaint of sexual assault and child pornography that included Justice was received last week, prompting them to start an investigation into it. In this particular example, the victim is a child under the age of five.

In court papers, it is said that the crimes were allegedly done in Justice's mobile home on Wapakoneta Avenue over a period of several days in January.

According to court documents, Justice photographed and posted images of a prepubescent girl's private parts to his Google account. The account had not been shared with anybody, according to the Sidney Police Department.

A metadata tracking system enabled Sidney detectives to follow the images all the way to Justice's residence.

According to court documents, one of the images had a tattoo on it that the authorities were able to match to one of Justice's.

However, police said that they do not have any evidence at this time that would lead them to assume there are any further victims, but that the matter is still open and being investigated.

<https://daytondailymagazine.com/man-sought-on-rape-and-pornography-charges-involving-a-minor/>

Seven Upstate men arrested in child porn investigation, new charges filed

By Amanda Shaw

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WALHALLA, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The Oconee County Sheriff's Office said an investigation with the help of the Department of Homeland Security led to more than half a dozen arrests.

Over the course of two days, investigators executed search warrants at seven different homes based on evidence gathered following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Seven men were charged with possession of child pornography, which depicted victims between under 1 and 16 years old.

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced new charges were filed against five of the men.

In some instances, deputies said the material was also distributed over the internet.

The following suspects were charged:

Ernest Joseph McDonald

23 years old

New Madison Road, Westminster, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that McDonald was arrested on October 18 and released after posting bond. He was placed on an electronic monitoring device as a condition of his bond. However, on October 27 he was arrested and charged with an additional 49 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree charge. He remains in jail on a combined \$490,000 surety bond.

Thomas Gerald Allred

45 years old

Easter Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – Four Counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Allred was charged with an additional four counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He received a combined \$150,000 surety bond

on the nine additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Terry Randall Belk, Jr.

23 years old

Oak Tree Drive, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Belk was charged with nine counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct of a Minor - 2nd Degree and five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was given a \$140,000 surety bond on the additional charges and will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device, as a condition of bond.

Jon Joseph Carranza

26 years old

Ralph Sheriff Road, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 2nd Degree – One Count

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Carranza was charged with two counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He was also given a combined \$50,000 surety bond on two additional charges. He will be required to wear an electronic monitoring device as a condition, if he is released.

Richard David Raffl

74 years old

Lake Ridge Circle, Walhalla, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

William Douglas Minner

59 years old

Cheohee Valley Road, Tamassee, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – 20 counts

On Friday, Oct. 28, deputies announced that Minner was charged with 80 additional counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - 3rd Degree. He will remain in jail on a \$1 million surety bond on the 100 total charges.

Robert Mann Hagan

74 years old

Violet Fields Lane, Seneca, SC

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – 3rd Degree – One Count

<https://www.foxcarolina.com/2022/10/20/seven-upstate-man-arrested-child-porn-investigation/>

Delaware prep school official charged with dealing child pornography

Thursday, April 21, 2022

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WILMINGTON, Delaware (WPVI) -- An administrator at a Delaware prep school has been charged with dealing child pornography.

William R. Ushler, 53, was arrested Tuesday, the same day authorities executed search warrants at his Wilmington home and at Tower Hill School.

Ushler, director of upper school admissions at Tower Hill, is charged with five counts of dealing in child pornography, according to the Delaware Department of Justice. He is currently in custody, with cash bail set at \$250,000. It was not immediately clear whether he has a lawyer.

Tower Hill officials said in an email Wednesday to the school community that Ushler has been fired and barred from campus.

"We were advised that law enforcement authorities know the source of the images in question, and these images do not depict Tower Hill students or children who were in contact with Mr. Ushler," the email stated.

According to a search warrant affidavit, the Delaware Child Predator Task Force received a cyber tipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on April 14. The report was initiated by Yahoo! Inc. and indicated that one of its email users had transmitted files possibly containing child pornography.

The emails identified in the report included two sent March 21 showing a nude female who appeared to be 14 or 15 years old. Another email, sent on Aug. 10, 2019, showed an inappropriate image of a young teenage girl. Three more images of nude girls were found stored on Ushler's iPhone, according to investigators.

According to the affidavit, Ushler told investigators after being read his Miranda rights that Yahoo! had suspended his email account about a month ago, and that he had

engaged in online chats with people who would send him images of naked females. Ushler also admitted he had sent similar images, including those depicting minors.

The search warrant affidavit indicates the IP addresses used by Ushler to access his Yahoo! email included one registered to Tower Hill. School officials said they have begun an audit of their technology systems to determine whether any safeguards were compromised. They also acknowledged that Ushler's arrest "may have reverberations and echoes" of a similar scandal involving former headmaster Christopher Wheeler.

Wheeler was convicted in 2015 on 25 counts of dealing child porn and sentenced to 50 years in prison.

The Delaware Supreme Court overturned the convictions the following year, ruling the search warrants obtained by police investigating Wheeler were unconstitutionally broad. Wheeler's attorney had argued that authorities improperly used possible witness tampering as an excuse to obtain warrants allowing them to search his computers, cellphones and other digital devices.

Wheeler was arrested after police, prompted by allegations of sexual abuse for which he was never charged, searched his home and office.

Authorities purportedly were looking for evidence of Wheeler's communications with Pennsylvania brothers who, in the wake of the Jerry Sandusky scandal at Penn State University, contacted Wheeler about their alleged molestation several decades ago. In reply to a letter from one of the brothers, Wheeler apologized for the pain he had caused, saying, "I did those things."

Wheeler's attorney argued that nothing in his correspondence or meetings with the brothers suggested, and no allegation was ever made, that he had tried to intimidate them or prevent them from reporting the alleged abuse to authorities.

Wheeler's attorney and the American Civil Liberties Union, which filed its own brief in the case, also noted that the computer containing child pornography images for which Wheeler was convicted had last been turned on 10 months before the Pennsylvania brothers began communicating with him in July 2013. The defense attorney also argued that prosecutors never proved Wheeler ever downloaded or looked at any images of child pornography, which he said were automatically cached to Wheeler's computer from newsgroups to which he had subscribed.

<https://6abc.com/william-ushler-arrested-child-porn-tower-hill-school-wilmington-delaware/11777515/>

Mustang man behind bars, accused of child porn

By Hicham Raache/KFOR

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CANADIAN COUNTY, Okla. (KFOR) – The Canadian County Sheriff’s Office arrested a Mustang man who is suspected of possessing graphic child pornography.

Wyatt Conner, 21, was arrested on suspicion of possession of child pornography, according to Sheriff Chris West.

A cyber tip from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) alerted CCSO investigators to child pornography being uploaded in the county through Snapchat.

“Investigators began the process to identify the subject and found Conner owned the Snapchat account that was sharing child pornography,” CCSO officials said.

The child pornography Conner is accused of uploading showed a young female child being raped by an adult male.

A search warrant was issued to locate Conner’s physical address.

The address was located and CCSO investigators, along with Mustang Police Department officers, executed a search warrant on the residence.

Investigators found multiple cellular devices in the home that contained child pornography.

Two cellular devices had Snapchat accounts that contained photos of nude female children between ages eight to sixteen years of age. Some of the photos were of children being raped by adults.

Conner told investigators he had up to 5,000 images of child pornography at one point.

Investigators also learned that Conner had been communicating with children.

“Based on the fact Conner admitted he was talking to minors has me seriously

concerned that there may be hands on victims," West said.

Conner was booked into the Canadian County Detention Center. His bond was set at \$25,000.

Authorities believe more charges will be presented to the Canadian County District Attorney's Office.

"If you believe your children may be the victim of Conner please call the Canadian County Sheriff's Office Investigations Division at 405-262-3434," CCSO officials said.

<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/2503326909785/mustang-man-behind-bars-accused-of-child-porn>

Downers Grove gymnastics coach charged with making child porn

By John Garcia
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DOWNERS GROVE, Ill. (WLS) -- A 30-year-old Downers Grove man is being held on \$600,000 bond for allegedly manufacturing child pornography with at least two underage victims.

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Investigators said they have found two victims so far; a 13-year-old boy and an 18-year-old boy who was underage at the time of the alleged abuse. Investigators said they also found text messages where he was allegedly grooming other potential victims.

"It starts out with a casual conversation and as he makes them more comfortable through these conversations then more things are suggested. He's getting to the point of requesting naked photos," said DuPage County Sheriff's Office Chief Bob Toerpe.

Kopka was arrested in May and has been in jail ever since.

Detectives said Kopka worked as a gymnastics coach and also a daycare employee at the Elite Sports Complex in Downers Grove.

Elite Sports Complex said he was a long-time employee of about 10 years, but was not employed at the time of his arrest; he resigned days earlier.

His coworkers never suspected any wrongdoing and the school does annual

background checks on all employees.

Investigators said it's unclear how long this has been going on and are asking any other potential victims to contact them.

"I won't get into specifics of the video but we can put him as the creator of the video with no problem," Toerpe said.

Kopka is due to be arraigned Thursday morning. If found guilty, he faces up to 120 years in prison.

In a statement Thursday morning, Elite Sports said:

"Elite Sports Complex is shocked and devastated over the arrest and very troubling and serious criminal charges filed against a former employee, Wyatt Kopka. DuPage County investigators have assured us that they have found no evidence that any criminal or improper physical offense took place at our gym.

"However, they are investigating whether Kopka engaged in inappropriate or possible criminal communication with several of our gymnastics students away from our facility. There are no words to describe our great concern for our students and their families and our deep sense of betrayal.

"Elite's focus has always been on the well-being and safety of our participants and their families. All of our coaches, including former employee Wyatt Kopka, undergo routine background checks and safety training. In Kopka's case, we followed AAU guidelines for coaches and did background checks every year. The most recent one was done in 2021 and nothing negative came up.

"This is a very difficult and unsettling time for our gym community. Elite will continue to assist the authorities with their ongoing investigation."

<https://abc7chicago.com/downers-grove-news-child-pornography-wyatt-kopka/11939635/>

Richmond man sentenced to 35 years in prison for sexually abusing child, DA says Cyber-tip leads to man's arrest

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RICHMOND, Texas – A 45-year-old man who committed indecency with a child by sexual contact and sexual performance by a child on Feb. 9 was sentenced to serve 35 years in prison, according to a press release.

Investigators with the Houston Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a cyber-tip about Zacaria Lee Avery possibly downloading child pornography on his Google account.

During the investigation with the Richmond Police Department, Avery admitted to photographing the genitals of an 8-year-old child, according to the release. The child's parents were notified about the incident and investigation.

Judge Christian Becerra, in the 434th District Court of Fort Bend County, sentenced Avery to 20 years in prison for sexual performance by a child and 15 years in prison for indecency with a child by sexual contact, the released stated.

He will serve the sentences consecutively in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a total of 35 years.

"Possession and promotion of child pornography is not a victimless crime, and this case highlights the importance of having a task force to investigate internet crimes against children," said lead prosecutor Jessica Ramos. "The mother of the child in this case gave a powerful victim impact statement at the defendant's sentencing, and I am grateful to Detective Runge for locating the child's family so that justice could be served and the child could receive therapy or any other services needed."

District Attorney Brian Middleton said parents should continue to monitor their children's online activity. He said there are resources available through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to help teach children, such as NetSmartz.

<https://www.click2houston.com/news/local/2022/02/10/richmond-man-sentenced-to-35-years-in-prison-for-sexually-abusing-child-da-says/>

Habersham County man arrested for sharing child porn on social media

By FOX 5 Atlanta Digital Team

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ATLANTA - A 21-year-old has been charged with multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a child after sharing videos on social media.

Zach Bulman was arrested by the Habersham County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday after investigators said he admitted to having child pornographic videos.

<https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/habersham-county-man-arrested-for-sharing-child-porn-on-social-media>

Barry man charged with possessing, disseminating videos of children under age 13 in various sexual acts

BY MUDDY RIVER NEWS

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BARRY, Ill. — A Barry man was arrested Tuesday and charged with 12 counts of dissemination of child pornography, along with other charges.

The Pike County Sheriff's Department, Illinois State Police and the Illinois Attorney General's Office executed a court-authorized search warrant at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday at a residence in Barry.

Subsequent to the execution of the warrant, Brandon M. Lord, 28, was arrested on the dissemination charges as well as unlawful possession of child pornography, unlawful possession of methamphetamine and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lord is accused of possessing and disseminating videos, via an electronic device, of children under the age of 13 engaged in various sexual acts.

The investigation began in May when information was received regarding the possession and dissemination of child pornography. The investigation was forwarded to the Pike County Sheriff's Department for further investigation. Multiple search warrants were executed, helping deputies successfully identify, locate and arrest the suspect.

Sheriff David Greenwood said his agency recently joined the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, which is headed by Zachary Orr, chief deputy with the Pike County Sheriff's Department. The task force is a national network of 61 coordinated task forces, representing 5,400 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. It is dedicated to investigating, prosecuting and developing effective responses to internet crimes against children.

Lord remains lodged in the Pike County Jail in lieu of \$500,000 bond. The investigation is ongoing.

<https://muddyrivernews.com/communities/pike-county-illinois/barry-man-charged-possessing-disseminating-videos-of-children-under-age-13-in-various-sexual-acts/20220706190304/>

Connelly Springs man faces child porn charge

From staff reports

Jan 23, 2022

CONNELLY SPRINGS — A man has received a child sex charge for allegedly possessing child porn.

Zachary Lee Thomas, 26, of 7329 Rockhaven Ave. in Connelly Springs, was charged with felony second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, according to a release from the Burke County Sheriff's Office.

The charge against Thomas came after BCSO detectives received a cyber tip from the International Crimes Against Children Task Force Program, the release said.

The warrant for Thomas' arrest accused him of receiving, exchanging and soliciting videos of victims with approximate ages of 2 years old to 14 years old engaged in sexual activity.

Thomas doesn't appear to have any previous convictions, according to a records check on the North Carolina Department of Public Safety website.

He was issued a \$100,000 secured bond, the BCSO release said. He had his first court appearance Thursday.

The Morganton Department of Public Safety, North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, North Carolina Department of Public Safety K-9 officer and Burke County EMS all assisted with the case.

https://morganton.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/connelly-springs-man-faces-child-porn-charge/article_b7e9974a-5944-11ec-bb1f-e78c2d883e5c.html