



MID-MISSOURI INTERNET CRIMES TASK FORCE

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Boonville Police Department
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Columbia Police Dept.
Fayette Police Department
Fulton Police Department
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Department
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Children Task Force

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Child Advocacy Center

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Incident: Conviction Internet Related Offense

Location: Boone County

Case Number: 2009-1400

Details:

On Monday, January 4, 2009 a 43-year-old Maryville, Missouri man plead guilty to one count of Attempted Sexual Misconduct Involving a Child in Boone County Circuit Court.

This conviction stems from an undercover investigation by the Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force into crimes against children perpetrated over the Internet. In late February 2009 the defendant contacted whom he believed to be a 14-year-old Boone County girl over the Internet. During at least two Internet conversations with the decoy child the defendant engaged in very sexually graphic conversation with the child and coaxed her to touch herself sexually. On at least two occasions the defendant also exposed his genitals to the child and masturbated.

As part of the investigation Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force detectives traced the Internet transmissions to a Maryville, Missouri residence and was able to positively identify a suspect. In April 2009 the Boone County Prosecuting Attorney's Office filed felony charges against the defendant charging him with two counts of the Attempted Sexual Misconduct of a Child.

The defendant is identified as 43-year-old Rickey Lynn Cochran of Maryville, Missouri. Sentencing is scheduled for March 1, 2010. No photograph is available.

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