



BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CYBER CRIMES TASK FORCE

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Primary Agencies:

Boone County Sheriff's Dept.
Boone County Prosecuting
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

Incident: Prior Sex Offender Arrested- Internet Crimes related

Location: Boone County

Case Number: 2015-3183

Associate Agencies:

Ashland Police Department
Auxvasse Police Department
Boonville Police Department
Centralia Police Department
Columbia Police Dept.
Fayette Police Department
Fulton Police Department
Hallsville Police Department
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Moberly Police Department
Sturgeon Police Department
Audrain County Sheriff's Office
Cooper County Sheriff's
Department
Callaway County Sheriff's
Department
Howard County Sheriff's
Department
Randolph County Sheriff's
Department

Details:

On Thursday, September 10, 2015, a Columbia, Missouri man was arrested for promoting child pornography 1st and sex offender registration violation

The investigation began in early July when the Boone County Sheriff's Department Cyber Crimes Task Force received a CyberTip report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The CyberTip reported a subject thought to be in the Columbia area had uploaded child pornography in May 2015 to an online Skype account.

A Cyber Crimes investigator was able to identify the account holder as Matthew Stone who was living at Grace Ellen Drive in Columbia when the child pornography was uploaded to the Skype account. The image was of a prepubescent male child exposing his genitals.

On September 10, 2015, the Boone County Sheriff's Department Cyber Crimes Task Force served a search warrant at Stone's residence. Investigators were able to make contact with Stone who admitted to his involvement with the online account.

Furthermore, investigators were able to determine Stone failed to register the online identifier, required by law under the Sex Offender registration. In addition to Stone living at the residence which falls within a 1000 ft of a school or licensed daycare, three additional registered sex offenders who live at the same residence have been given verbal notification by the Boone County Sheriff's Department that this is a direct violation of RsMO 566.147.1.2 and will require them to move.

The suspect is identified as 44 year old Matthew Stone, 4029 Grace Ellen Drive, Missouri. The suspect was arrested for Promoting child pornography 1st, under 14 years old, and Sex offender registration violation, fail to register online identifier. The promoting child pornography charge is a to be set bond, and the sex offender violation bond set at \$4500.00.

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty.

The Boone County Sheriff's Department Cyber Crimes Task Force is comprised of investigators from the Boone County Sheriff's Department, the University of Missouri Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigations and the Boone County Prosecuting Attorney's office.

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The Boone County Sheriff's Department Cyber Crimes Task Force is part of the Missouri Internet Crimes against Children Task Force.

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