



Pine County Sheriff's Office

Jeff Nelson, Sheriff

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To Whom It May Concern:

The following informational fact sheet is a notice regarding a Level 3 Predatory Offender entering your community.

The notification meeting is being held on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 6:00 pm in Sandstone in the Pine County Boardroom, address of 1610 Hwy 23 N, Sandstone, MN 55072.

Questions and concerns will be addressed at this time.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Nelson'.

Jeff Nelson
Pine County Sheriff

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Pine City, MN 55063
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FACT SHEET

NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE IN MINNESOTA

RISK LEVEL THREE

In addition to level two notification (schools and daycares as well as establishments and organizations that primarily serve individuals likely to be victimized by the offender), law enforcement may notify other members of the community whom the offender is likely to encounter.

The *Pine County Sheriff's Office* is available to provide you with useful information on personal safety. The *Pine County Sheriff's Office* may be reached at (320) 629-8380. To report criminal activity by this offender or any other individual, please call 911.

ROMMEL HEINRICH FRITZ

DOB: 07/04/1961

OID: 203908

Race: White	Ethnicity: None listed
Height: 5'08"	Eyes: Brown
Weight: 178 lbs.	Hair: Brown
Complexion: Medium	Build: Medium

Registration statute(s): 609.342, 609.343, 609.344 & 609.25

Investigating agency: Pine County Sheriff's Office

Release date: 08/01/2015

Supervision agent: Brian Maturi 320-223-7967

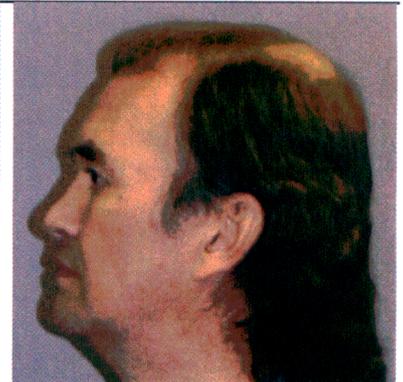
Offender has a history of sexual conduct and contact with minor female victims (age 7-14). Conduct included photographing victims in lingerie that offender provided. Contact included touching and penetration. Offender gained compliance through coercion and use of force. Offender gained compliance with 14 year-old victim through physical force, binding and gagging victim, and holding her against her will. Offender was known to younger victims and not previously known to oldest victim.

Address: Sandstone, MN 55072

Date of address change: 01/11/2016



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The *Pine County Sheriff's Office* is releasing this information pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 244.052. This statute authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sexual or predatory offender's release from prison or a secure treatment facility when the *Pine County Sheriff's Office* believes that the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of Criminal Sexual Conduct or another offense that requires registration with law enforcement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 243.166 or 243.167.

This offender is **not wanted by the police** at this time and **has served the sentence** imposed on him/her by the court. This notification is not intended to increase fear in the community. Law enforcement believes that an informed public is a safer public.

The *Pine County Sheriff's Office* may not direct where the offender does or does not reside, nor can this agency direct where he/she works or goes to school. The risk level of this offender has been determined largely on his/her potential to re-offend based on his/her previous behavior.

Convicted sexual and predatory offenders have always been released to live in our communities. It was not until the passage of the Registration Act that law enforcement had an ability track the movement of these offenders after their initial release. With the passage of the Community Notification Act law enforcement may now share information about many of these offenders with the public. Abuse of this information to threaten, harass or intimidate a registered offender is unacceptable and such acts could be charged as a crime. Such abuses could potentially end the ability of law enforcement to provide these notifications. If community notification ends the only person who wins is the offender. Many of these offenders derive their power from the opportunity that secrecy provides.