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NEWS RELEASE

Online child exploitation operation nets 12 arrests

SEMINOLE CO. (July 2, 2015) -- The Seminole County Sheriff's Office today announced the results of Operation Cyber Summer, a multi-agency, undercover operation targeting individuals who use the internet to sexually exploit children. Law enforcement from eight Central Florida agencies joined forces to arrest 12 individuals who traveled to and within Seminole County intending to engage in sexual activity with what they believed to be a child.

During the operation that began on June 24, undercover law enforcement officers chatted online, emailed, and spoke on the phone with subjects who believed they were communicating with a minor, or with an adult who had a minor available for sexual activity. Individuals arrested ranged from age 17 to 75 and included a contract worker, convenience store clerk, a professor, a restaurant server and a variety of other professionals. The majority of the offenders travelled from neighboring cities and counties.

Participating agencies included: the Lake Mary Police Department, the Manatee, Osceola, Highland, Polk, and Volusia County Sheriff's Offices, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE).

The following men were arrested during the operation and booked into the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

- Luis Borrero, 17, of Sanford;
- Jace Shea, 36, of Orlando;
- Anthony Love, 28, of West Palm Beach;
- John Brannon, 51, of DeBary;
- Michael Branum, 20, of Apopka;
- Stephen Schlow, 75, of Orlando;
- Daniel Bercini, 25, of Winter Springs;
- Trevor Bagley, 29, of Altamonte Springs;
- Gabriel Martinez, 23, of Orlando; and
- Peter Rivera, 24, of Sanford.
- Edison Juarez, 26, of Apopka; and
- Tracey Marchunsky, 57, of Orlando

The booking reports and booking photos for all of the arrestees are available on the SCSO media ftp site, along with the arrest reports for the first 10 subjects listed above. The arrest reports for Juarez and Marchunsky are not included as they were arrested by FDLE and FBI, respectively. To access the ftp site go to http://www.seminolesheriff.org/administration/Login.aspx

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Law enforcement officials recommend the following safety tips for parents:

- Communicate with your child. Talk with them about the potential dangers online and the reasons why they should be careful.
- Spend time with your child online and learn their favorite online destinations.
- Keep the computer in an area of the house where online activity can be monitored, not in your child's bedroom.
- Use parental controls and/or blocking software.
- Instruct children not to give out personal information such as their home address, school name or telephone number, and never to arrange a meeting with someone they met online without your permission.

Additional safety information can be found in the FBI's "Parent's Guide to Internet Safety" at: http://www.fbi.gov/stats-services/publications/parent-guide

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