

# Tips lead to arrest of suspected child pornographer

## Arrested by Warrenton Police on warrant

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SOUTH BEND, Wash. — A man who is suspected of possessing thousands of pornographic images of children is in jail, due to a collaborative effort between law enforcement agencies in Warrenton and Kit-titas and Pacific counties in Washington, and tips from two eagle-eyed citizens who spotted him as he allegedly tried to leave the area.

Warrenton Police arrested Casey Robert Woodson, 60, formerly of Ocean Park, in September. He was later extradited to Pacific County.

The local hunt for Woodson began in late July, when detectives in the Ellensburg Police Department asked Pacific

County Sheriff's Office for assistance. Ellensburg detectives were investigating an allegation that Woodson had taken sexually explicit photographs of a female minor there.

"They thought he was living in our area, so we conducted an investigation to assist them and see where this guy lived. We went and found where he was staying, and it was in Ocean Park," Sheriff's Office Chief Criminal Deputy Pat Matlock said.

With assistance from the Sheriff's Office, the Ellensburg detectives served a search warrant in July and searched Woodson's home for evidence of the alleged crime. Matlock said the detectives took several pieces of media and storage devices back to Ellensburg, but did not make an arrest.

### An unexpected discovery

When experts at the Kit-titas County Sheriff's Office

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examined the devices, they did not find images related to the original investigation. However, according to a probable cause statement, they did allegedly find a cache of more than 5,000 sexually explicit images of prepubescent girls. The Ellensburg police provided copies of the files to Pacific County, so

deputies could initiate a local investigation.

In September, local authorities secured a warrant for Woodson's arrest. However, by then, he had moved his RV to a new, unknown location.

On Rod Run Weekend, deputies began distributing posters with Woodson's photo and information. The

effort paid off Sept. 19, when a woman who works at a business on Bay Avenue in Ocean Park called 911 to report that she thought Woodson had just stopped in at her workplace. She said a man who fit Woodson's description had asked for information about how to get a bus to Sequim.

"We got a call that this guy may have been up in OP looking for a bus pass or something," Matlock said. Local authorities quickly began searching for Woodson all over the Long Beach Peninsula, but they didn't have to search for long.

"About an hour and a half later, we got a call from (Warrenton) saying they had

arrested him," Matlock said. "They called to confirm on a warrant."

### Tips lead to arrest

According to a staff member at the Warrenton Police Department, officers arrested Woodson on the outstanding child porn warrant after a resident recognized him, and called police to report that he was on Southeast Anchor Street, near the Fred Meyer shopping center.

Woodson was booked into Clatsop County Jail overnight, then moved to Pacific County Jail. At his arraignment, he was charged with possession of child pornography. He is being held on \$100,000 bail.

## State makes deal with insurance companies for more rural access

By JEFF MANNING  
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PORTLAND — More than 58,000 Oregon health insurance customers have been "orphaned" this year as carriers continue to struggle through the chaos wrought by the Affordable Care Act.

Amid sustained financial losses, insurers are going out of business, leaving Oregon or abandoning entire swaths of the state. Thousands of Oregonians who didn't get cut loose by their insurers face more double-digit rate hikes.

And it could have been worse: Regence, Providence and Moda, the three largest health insurers in the state, informed regulators this summer of plans to stop serving the individual market — designed for the self-employed and others without access to group plans — in much of the state.

The change would have forced as many as 81,000 insurance customers to find new carriers.

"Central Oregon would have been down to one carrier," said Pat Allen, director of the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services. "Tillamook and Lincoln counties too. We became immediately concerned about that."

State regulators offered to make an unprecedented deal: They would reopen the just-completed rate-making process and allow the companies additional rate increases if they retained their statewide presence.

Regence and Providence agreed.

Moda didn't get a second rate increase. It stood by its decision to drop out of 10 counties, walking away from nearly 20,000 customers. That's on top of the 20,000 customers cast adrift in July when the Oregon Health Co-op went out of business and another 18,000 sent packing by Lifewise when it left the state altogether earlier this year.

The frantic negotiations in July and August illustrate the ongoing havoc caused by the Affordable Care Act. The sig-

nature achievement of the Obama administration meant 20 million previously uninsured Americans got coverage and access to health care. But the insurance industry still hasn't figured out how to consistently make money in the new environment.

Oregon carriers, now prohibited from rejecting customers with preexisting health problems, have lost millions of dollars. The state's seven largest insurers collectively lost more than \$31 million in the first half of the year. Moda alone lost another \$33 million in the period.

### Bailing out rural Oregon

For millions of Americans, the Affordable Care Act has been a nonevent. For those who rely on group policies — the type people get through an employer — rates, deductibles and copays have generally gone up, but not catastrophically so.

But it's been a chaotic three years for people who buy their own insurance in the individual market — 227,000 in Oregon — particularly for those who obtained coverage through one of the new exchanges created by the Affordable Care Act.

The population in the individual market turned out to be sicker and heavier users of health care than expected. Companies that jumped aggressively into the individual market, like Moda and Providence, suffered big losses. Things got so bad for Moda that regulators issued a supervision order in January demanding the company bolster its depleted capital base or face a state takeover.

The state backed off after Moda raised an additional \$115 million.

By this year, some insurers had had enough. United Healthcare, the biggest health insurer in the country, announced in April that it would exit most of the state insurance exchanges by 2017 due to the high risk. Lifewise Health Plan, a subsidiary of Premera Blue Cross in Washington, announced last spring it would cease all operations in Oregon.

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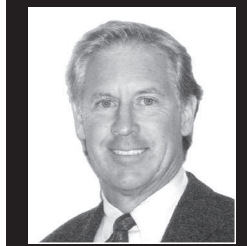
**A:** Black Cod, otherwise known as Sablefish, is becoming very popular for its sweet taste and flaky texture. When prepared correctly, it will literally melt in your mouth, which is why it is also referred to as "Butterfish." Many people think that Alaska is the only source of this sustainable fish but there is quite a bit caught locally. We get fresh, local Black Cod in regularly and always have frozen, canned and smoked available.



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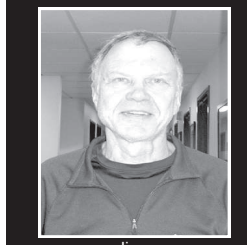
**A:** Motor vehicle accidents cause a variety of injuries because of an abrupt change, like the cracking of a whip. In less than a second, many tons of force are transferred to the body, including ligaments, muscles, disks and joints. Those tissues stretch and tear and do not heal without proper care. Injuries can include neck, back, jaw, shoulders, ribs and knees. Chiropractic care has been shown to be effective and gentle to restore normal function after injuries and accidents. Even if your injury is older, we can help. Astoria Chiropractic has been providing excellent services in Astoria for 35 years.



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