Mason County Seeks Transient Sex Offender

Local News

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MASON COUNTY, Wash. - The Mason County Sheriff’s Office is releasing the following information pursuant to **RCW 4.24.550** and the Washington State Supreme Court decision in **State v. Ward**, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex offenders release when; in the discretion of the agency, the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

This transient/homeless level 3 registered sex offender has failed to report in for his required weekly reporting. His whereabouts are unknown. He is wanted by the Mason County Sheriff's Office for violating his sex offender registration requirements, and he is wanted by the Department of Corrections for failing to report to his community corrections officer. He is a convicted rapist where he physically overpowered a 15 year old girl and forcibly raped her. He also confessed to forcibly raping another young girl.

ARTHUR DAYTON HARABEDOFF
WHITE MALE - DOB: 09/24/89 - 6'00" 175 LBS. -
BROWN HAIR & BROWN EYES

The Mason County Sheriff’s Office has no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he chooses.

Sex offenders have always lived in our communities, but it wasn’t until passage of the Community Protection Act of 1990 *(which mandates sex offender registration)* that law enforcement even knew where they were living. In many cases, law enforcement is now able to share that information with you. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated. Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement’s ability to do community notifications. We believe the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex offender, since sex offenders derive their power through secrecy.

If you have any information regarding current criminal activity of this or any other offender, please call 911.

For other sex offender information, **http://so.co.mason.wa.us/**.

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Arthur HARABEDOFF is wanted by the Mason County Sheriff’s Office for failing to make his weekly reports as a registered transient/homeless sex offender. He is required to register as a sex offender due to a guilty plea on 04/02/2009 to Rape 3rd Degree, Thurston County Superior Court cause number 08-1-01480-4. This conviction stems from HARABEDOFF at age 18, who walked a 15 year old girl into the woods, overpowered her and forcibly raped her. HARABEDOFF also admitted to forcibly raping another young girl, but that case is still under investigation. HARABEDOFF is also wanted by the Dept. of Corrections for failing to check in with them. Due to these factors HARABEDOFF is considered a **HIGH RISK**. (NOTE: If you see HARABEDOFF, Do Not Approach, but call 911.)

Arthur HARABEDOFF is assessed by Mason County Sheriff’s Office as a **Level 3 Sex Offender.** This is the highest level given to a Sex Offender, meaning that the subject is at a **HIGH RISK** to re-offend.

This Transient Sex Offender has NOT checked in with the Mason County Sheriff’s Office:
His Whereabouts are Unknown
He is Wanted by
the Mason County Sheriff’s Office