

Linneus Man Pleads Guilty To Sexual Exploitation Of A Child **News**

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BOONE COUNTY -- A Missouri man pleads guilty to charges of child sexual exploitation and statutory sodomy.



The charges were the result of a joint investigation between the Kirksville Regional Cyber Crime Task Force and the Boone County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Task Force.

The investigation began in May of this year when the Kirksville Task Force received a complaint that Foster had been having a sexual relationship with a minor male. After conducting several interviews, the Kirksville Task Force along with the Linn County Sheriff's Office served a court ordered search warrant at the Foster's residence in Linneus.



During the search, the Kirksville Cyber Crimes Task Force seized several items of electronic evidence. During the examination of the electronic evidence, several sexually graphic photographs of a 13-year-old boy were located, including a photograph of Foster engaging in sexual conduct with the minor. A Kirksville Task Force detective located the boy in the photographs who indicated they were taken in a wooded area north of Columbia during the spring of 2012. Following that, the Boone County Cyber Crimes Task Force was contacted. A Boone County Cyber Crimes investigator identified a location north of Columbia where the photographs were taken.

On June 10, investigators with the Boone County Cyber Crimes Task Force, the Kirksville Regional Cyber Crimes Task Force and the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office contacted Foster at his place of employment in Milan, Mo., where he was arrested and taken to the Boone County Jail.

Final sentencing for Foster is set for Dec. 23.