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Notification of Convicted Sex Offender

Eugene Police want residents to be aware of a convicted sex offender who recently moved to our area.

Kenneth Kasten Rasmuson, age 48, has twice been convicted of the sexual assault of juveniles. In the first incident, which occurred September 1, 1981, in Santa Barbara County, California, Rasmuson was convicted of sodomizing an 11-year-old boy. According to police reports and court documents, the victim was on his way to football practice when Rasmuson lured him into a drainage ditch with a ruse about helping look for a lost dog. Rasmuson was sentenced to prison and then released in 1985. In 1987 Rasmuson was arrested for abducting 3-year-old boy from Los Angeles before sexually assaulting him. In that case the young victim was found the next day wandering in the Agoura Hills area approximately over 25 miles from where he was taken. Rasmuson later turned himself in and was convicted of kidnapping and lewd and lascivious acts on the 3-year-old child.

Rasmuson currently resides in a motel in the Whiteaker area of Eugene. His criminal history requires that he register his address with the State of Oregon; however, because he has served the sentence imposed upon him by the courts, he is not on parole or probation.

