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MEDIA RELEASE
Sheriff's Office Arrests Man for Criminal Sex Assault
August 12, 2010

Sheriff Keith Nygren announced today the arrest of a Bull Valley area man currently residing at 9020 Shadow Lane, Bull Valley. Leonard W. Puccini was arrested and charged with Criminal Sexual Assault and Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse. The arrest is the result of an investigation by the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Bureau.

Over the course of a six year period, Puccini engaged in sexual acts with a juvenile male. The victim advised investigators that Puccini had engaged in inappropriate sexual acts numerous times with him, including during a trip out of the state.

The investigation culminated with the arrest of Leonard W. Puccini, who turned himself into the McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility on August 12, 2010. Puccini was released after posting the required ten percent of the bond amount. This investigation is ongoing and additional charges may be filed.

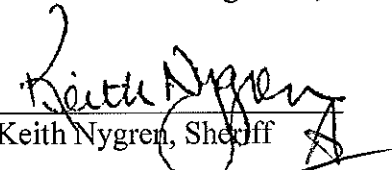
Any parties that have information concerning this investigation or information leading to future investigations with Puccini are encouraged to contact the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division at (815)338-2144.

Arrested: Leonard W. Puccini, age 50
9020 Shadow Lane
Bull Valley, Illinois

Charges: Criminal Sexual Assault Class 1 Felony
Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse Class 2 Felony

Bond: \$100,000.00

Court Date: August 24, 2010


Keith Nygren, Sheriff

All parties are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.