

Child abuse report leads to Prineville drug raid

by Cheryl McDermott

An investigation into suspected child abuse prompted deputies to raid a southeast Prineville home on Tuesday morning, leading to the arrest of a 40-year old man on assault, drug, and other charges.

Daniel Kentner - CCJ photo According to a news release prepared by Detective Sergeant Travis Jurgens with the Crook County Sheriff's Office, deputies received the report about 8:20 a.m., November 13. An initial investigation into the possible child abuse resulted in a search warrant being executed at 14497 SE Wagon Wheel Lane, a home about ten miles outside of town, about 4 p.m.

Deputies found and seized over three ounces of marijuana during the search, and arrested without incident Daniel Kentner, 40, of Prineville, Jurgens said. Deputies were assisted by the Central Oregon Drug Enforcement (CODE) team and the county canine officer.

Kentner was lodged in the Crook County Jail and is charged with manufacture, distribution, and possession of a controlled substance; two counts of fourth-degree assault; harassment; reckless endangering; endangering the welfare of a minor; and frequenting a place where controlled substances are kept or sold.

Other charges including being a felon in possession of a firearm and possession of a short-barreled rifle are pending, the sergeant said.

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