Keeping Kids Safe in a Digital World

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Child Exploitation Epidemic

- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: www.cybertip.org
- Since 1998, more than <u>1.5 million</u> tips about online exploitation
- Majority of tips involve child pornography
- Since 2002, nearly <u>80 million</u> images/movies of child pornography submitted by law enforcement for identification of victims

File Sharing Programs

- Frost Wire
- Emule
- Edonkey
- GigaTribe
- Not just for downloading music and movies
- Portals for pornography: adult AND child
- Age does not matter

Beware of Location-Based Networking Apps



Sexual assaults of three minors prompts shutdown of location-based app

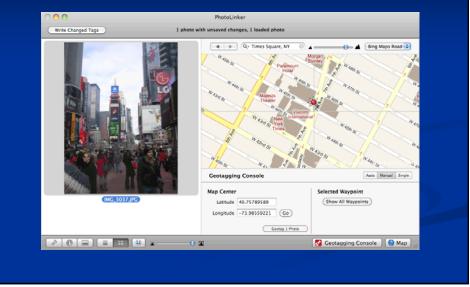


- Skout.com suspends "Under-18" community of users
- 21-year-old man assaults 13-year-old boy: Milwaukee
- 37-year-old man assaults 13-year-old girl: Ohio
- 24-year-old man assaults 12-year-old girl: California

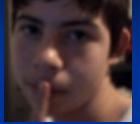
Registered Sex Offender Uses Four Square to Contact 13-year-old Girl



Geo-Tagging: Web Photos/Videos Can Reveal Your Location



Texas <u>teenager</u> charged with kidnapping of Shawano County girl



- 18-year-old boy from Texas was arrested while on a bus with the 13-year-old girl, headed to Milwaukee, where they planned to purchase tickets to continue to Vermont
- The girl's family had discovered she had been in contact with an unknown male online since late last year
- There were numerous contacts on Facebook, as well as text messages and phone calls







Facebook "Terms of Use:"

- Despite Facebook's safety and privacy controls, Facebook cannot guarantee that its site is entirely free of illegal, offensive, pornographic or otherwise offensive material...
- or that it's members will not encounter inappropriate or illegal conduct from other members
- Consequently, you may encounter such content and conduct

High school student charged with blackmailing students into sex acts in Facebook deception



- Anthony R. Stancl, 18, posing as a female on Facebook, persuaded at least 31 boys to send him naked pictures.
- He then blackmailed some of the boys into performing sex acts under the threat that the pictures would be released to the rest of the high school.

3,477

- The number of self-produced child pornography cases investigated by police nationwide in 2008/2009
- 63% of images distributed by cell phones
- Source: American Academy of Pediatrics 2011

Middle school boy investigated for possession of child porn

- Police are investigating a 14-year-old middle school boy who is accused of showing naked pictures of a 14-year-old girl to other students at the school.
- A teacher from the middle school called authorities <u>after a</u> <u>different 14-year-old girl</u> him a note saying the boy was showing other students nude photos of a girl on his cellphone.
- The boy was showing the pictures during lunch hour and on the school bus, according to an affidavit accompanying a search warrant.

Bad Decisions Can Haunt You Forever

So you think it sexting is no big deal?

- I met him in January when I was 16 years old. Overall, it was not a healthy relationship. He constantly lied to me and cheated on me with other girls.
- During our relationship, I found multiple text messages and nude pictures of other girls on his phone.
- I broke off the relationship several times but we always ended up back together...

Now she's 23, married to another man in another part of the country...

- I found out about these images when I was checking my Facebook one night and noticed a message in my inbox from a girl on my Friend's List: "Ur pictures are all over my Facebook and on www....; dunno if you care...just thought I'd let you know"
- I typed the website in the Facebook search engine and clicked on the Fan Page. I saw the pictures of me on the Wall and knew right away where the picture came from.
- I sent a message to the page owner asking him to remove the picture because I was underage when it was taken..."

It doesn't only happen to girls...

- "Last night my son came to me in a panic. He is now 17...
- Someone has posted a video of him exposing himself on a website called <u>www.teen</u>....
- My son says he was playing online a couple of years ago (age 14) with someone he believed was a girl...

- "He did not know his webcam was being recorded...
- My son has had a serious felony committed against him and I will be involving authorities...
- This is clearly a child pornography website.
 I expect the site to be taken down immediately..."



Police Arrest Texas Teacher who "Sexted" High School Girl



Days after being named teacher of the year at Colleyville Middle School, band director John McDaniel was arrested for sexting with a 15-year old.
McDaniel and the girl began chatting on Facebook two years ago. He told her she was pretty and wondered what she looked like naked.

The girl sent topless photos to him and he responded with a photo of his private parts.

Former Langlade County deputy facing 22 sex-related charges



- Michael Brayton used his position as a deputy to take advantage of 4 four high school girls, ages 15 to 18.
- He groomed them with heavy use of social media including Facebook and text-messaging.
- Brayton and the girls became friendly and their relationships escalated to trading explicit photographs and several instances of physical contact with one girl.

In a child's own words...

- "He first added me as a friend . I accepted his friend request"
- "He asked me how old I was and I said I was 15. I didn't know why I lied. He was nice to me."
- "The he started getting aggressive and was asking for pictures so I sent him pictures of my face and body."
- "The second time he asked me to hang out I said sure. He said stuff to make me feel happy and it worked."
- "He asked me for my address. I gave it to him. And told him I would be waiting for him at the end of my street. He came that night in a black car."

- "We ended up going to a motel. I was scared to go in the motel with him (I don't even know why I left my house.)"
- "I went anyway because I was scared if he would hurt me or drop me off somewhere."
- "On the way back to my house he asked me if I had fun and I said yeah very quietly."
- "He dropped me off where he picked me up because I didn't want him to know where I lived."
- "I text messaged him about an hour after he dropped me off and he didn't answer me. For about 3 days after we hung out I kept text messaging him and calling him but he never answered me so I just gave up."

Technology can facilitate child prostitution and human sex trafficking

Case Study in Indian Country

- 14-year-old Native American girl
- By age 17, arrested 13 times (12 for running away); becomes stripper
- Dad seized 12 different cell phones
- Girl arrested for prostitution & placed in a treatment facility
- Arrested for prostitution at 17
- Turned 18; "refused to cooperate"

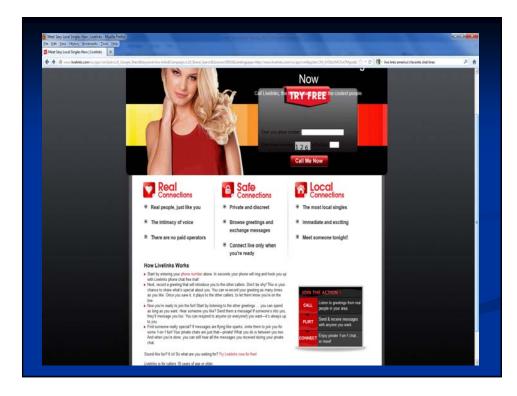
What did the cell phones reveal about this girl?

- During a 9-month period - starting at the age of 16 - - she made <u>850 calls</u> to "Quest"
- Calls itself "Your Local Hotspot to Chat with Great Singles"
- Under 18 callers told to hang-up
- Quest does not prescreen its members and "assumes no responsibility" when you meet someone through this service



What did the cell phones reveal about this girl?

- Calls lasted between several seconds up to 2 hrs
- Most calls were made in the evening /late night/after midnight
- Girl made <u>330 MORE</u> calls during the same time frame to a similar chat service called "Live Links"
- Those under 18 are told to "hang up now"
- No enforcement of age requirements
- ALWAYS FREE FOR WOMEN



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You can teach me everything you know if I work with you, ima keep it rear because I hart nowe time for games but I think your Serious about making money and that's what Im on. alinght well I hepe you can hind of feel me out a little better now

