

Camp Counselor Faces Strangulation, Harassment Charges

by K_Guice

A summer-camp counselor has been arrested for harassment of three children and strangulation of a nine-year-old boy, according to the Bend Police Department.

Henry A. Holmberg, 20, a counselor for a summer camp held at High Lakes Elementary, was arrested June 30 and was arraigned Tuesday, July 11 facing multiple charges, according to Lt. Gary Mack.

Deschutes County District Attorney, Mike Dugan said, "Mr. Holmberg has been charged with count one, strangulation; count two, menacing; count three, reckless endangerment and count four, five and six are for harassment."

"There are alleged to have been three victims total," he added. Count one through four is for one child according to the DA's office. The other two counts of harassment are for two others. Additional details could not be released due to the pending court date.

"We would be very surprised if those are the charges that are actually brought," said Thomas Hill, who is representing Holmberg. "The police often times arrest and charge people with allegations that are not subsequently charged by the DA's office."

Henry Holmberg, DJC PhotoHolmberg, originally from Bend, is a student at University of Wyoming.

According to Hill, "He is home on summer break" revisiting his options for the fall term.

According to the university's website, Holmberg had a busy and successful first season as a Cowboy. He finished second in the 500 freestyle, third in the 1650 freestyle and fourth in the 200 freestyle at the 2005 MWC Championships.

Holmberg was also a member on the UW relay teams that finished second in the 800 freestyle, fourth in the 400 freestyle and fifth in the 200 freestyle at the conference championships. He earned his first letter award at Wyoming in 2005.

The Summit High School graduate was a member of the Oregon State Championship team his freshman, junior and senior seasons. He was the state champion in the 500 freestyle his senior year and is the Summit High School record holder in the 200 and 500 freestyles.

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