



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**TYPE OF CRIME:** Attempted Child Molest  
**LOCATION:** West San Jose  
**SUSPECT:** Arthur Charles St. John  
**ADDRESS:** Petaluma Resident

**CASE NUMBER:**04-344-9701  
**DATE:** 12-9-04 **TIME:** 2:00PM  
**AGE:** 44 (4-10-63)

### **DETAILS:**

On 12-9-04 at about 2:00PM, Arthur Charles St. John was arrested by officers from the San Jose Police Dept.'s Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for attempted child molest. The arrest took place as he arrived at a location in West San Jose to meet what he believed was a thirteen year old girl for sex.

In late September 2004, Sgt. Tom Sims of the San Jose Police Dept. Child Exploitation Detail/Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force logged into an Internet chat room posing as a thirteen year old girl. Almost immediately, the suspect began sending him emails with sexual references. The suspect used the screen name [artsadad@aol.com](mailto:artsadad@aol.com). The suspect continued to send the "girl" sexually explicit emails and then made arrangements to meet her on 12-9-04 for sex. He was arrested as he arrived to meet the girl.

The suspect was booked into the Santa Clara County for two felony counts (attempted child molest and sending harmful material to a minor).

Anyone with any information on this case is urged to call Detective Sgt. Tom Sims of the San Jose Police Dept. Child Exploitation Detail/Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force at 408-277-4102. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers at 408-947-STOP.

BY: Sgt. S. Dixon #2650  
DATE: 12-10-04 TIME: 10:20AM

AUTHORIZED BY: Sgt. Tom Sims  
DATE: 12-10-04 TIME: 10:20AM

PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES** NO