

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION AND FULFILLMENT SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE October 6, 1970

FULL NAME James Peterson
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS _____

CITY Onekama STATE Mich. ZIP CODE _____

AGE 25 (DOB 5-23-45) (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE _____ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

RELIGION _____ NATIONALITY _____

OCCUPATION worked for Bill Acker Lumber Co.

EDUCATION _____

WEIGHT 180 lbs. COLOR white HEIGHT 6'

COLOR OF HAIR brown COLOR OF EYES blue

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS _____

MARRIED OR SINGLE single CHILDREN _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
TR 63	Onekama	Mich.	SM	1968	1969

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Signed George W. Stone
DISTSCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council 274, Scenic Trails Council

TSBSA008455

DYKES_I_009567

February 12, 1971

Mr. Joseph G. Groszek
Scout Executive
Scenic Trails Council, No. 274

Personal and Confidential
Re: James Peterson

Dear Mr. Groszek:

We have received the additional material we requested concerning James Peterson, from your District Executive, George W. Stone. These are exactly the type of facts we need for the Confidential File, and we appreciate your efforts in getting them for us.

This additional information will be most important in the future, should Mr. Peterson ever again attempt to register in Scouting.

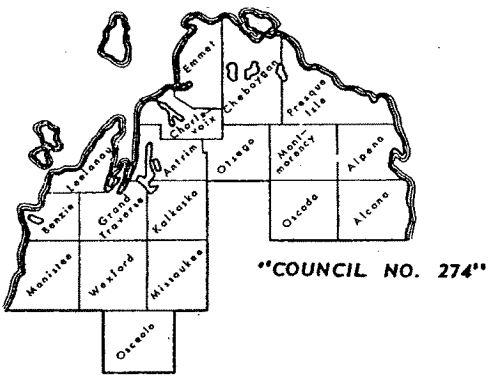
Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director
Registration and Subscription

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Scenic Trails Council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

HEADQUARTERS 18 COUNTY COUNCIL
PHONE: Windsor 6-7910

2308 US 31 N. TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN 49684

February 3, 1971

Earl L. Krall - Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service
Boy Scouts of America
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Krall:

Enclosed are the materials requested concerning James Peterson, former Scoutmaster of Troop 63, Osekama, Michigan.

If you need any further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

George W. Stone

George W. Stone
District Scout Executive

Produced Pursuant to Protective Order in Case No. 03-2079



MEMBER AGENCY OF ALL NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY CHESTS.



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A true Copy *Dean A. Donnell*
7/27 - MSP 77

A MNSP/077 ELID/001.
REQUEST RECORD CHECK ON JAMES HOWARD PETERSON, WHITE MALE, BORN
05/23/45, 6-1,165, BROWN AND BLUE. HAS AN ADDRESS OF 5685 COATES
HIGHWAY, MANISTEE, MICHIGAN.
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A LEIN 587 2 01/29/71 0103 MNSP/077.
LEIN-ACK

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A LEIN 954 3 01/29/71 0140 MNSP/077.
A ELID/001 MNSP/077.

WE HAVE A POSSIBLE ON A JAMES HOWARD PETERSON W M DOB 5-23-45

RECORD:

MSP MANISTEE 77-179-69 2.3 4-17-69 INDEC. LIB. WITH MINOR CHILD
NO DISPOS. GIVEN

OPR NANCY

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TS/MS/KS v. BSA et al. Cause No. 03-23740
Produced Pursuant to Protective Order

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True copy

Dean A. VanNatta
7/16 MSP 77

Date 4-17-69 Hour 4:00 PM Arrest No. 77A 84-69
 Name JAMES HOWARD PETERSON
 Aliases Keys & Keyboard
 Address 5685 Coates Hwy, R#1, Manistee
 Race Csu Sex M DOB 5-23-45 Ht. 6-1 Wt. 165 Hair Brown Eyes Blue
 Married no Occupation none Comp. No. 77-179-69
 Offense Indecent liberties with a minor child.

Apprehended (County) Manistee OK or Twp. Brown
 Officers Tpr. J. Albright
 Final Court (Magistrate) Judge Charles Wickens
 Location Manistee County Circuit Date 7-15-69
 Final Disposition PG One year probation, fine \$25.00 costs \$75.00

Remarks _____

UD-7 (REV. 8-63) MICHIGAN STATE POLICE ARREST & DISPOSITION REPORT

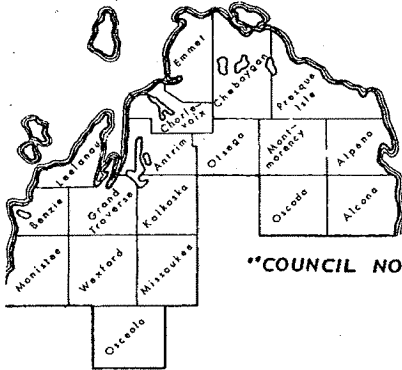
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Scenic Trails Council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



"COUNCIL NO. 274"

HEADQUARTERS 18 COUNTY COUNCIL

PHONE: Windsor 6-7910

2308 US 31 N.

TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN 49684

January 27, 1971

Earl L. Krall - Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service
Boy Scouts of America
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Dear Mr. Krall:

In regard to your communication concerning James Peterson, former Scoutmaster of Troop 63 in Onkama, Michigan, I have written Dean VanNatter, officer of the Michigan State Police in Manistee to obtain the information requested.

As Mr. Peterson chose treatment from a medical person over a prison term, it may be difficult to obtain formal records of the case.

As soon as any information is obtained, I will forward it to you.

Please accept my appology for being to tardy in replying to your letters.

Sincerely,

George W. Stone
District Scout Executive



MEMBER AGENCY OF ALL NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY CHESTS.



TSBSA008460

DYKES_I_009572

January 7, 1971

Mr. Joseph G. Groszek
Scout Executive
Scenic Trails Council, No. 274

Personal and Confidential
Re: James Peterson

Dear Mr. Groszek:

Sorry to have to write again concerning Mr. Peterson, but as of our confidential letter dated October 6, 1970, and a follow-up letter on November 6, we have not received the substantiating material we requested.

We would appreciate your sending us a copy of the police or court records or any other material pertaining to this case. Perhaps a written statement could be obtained from one of the boys involved. This evidence is important, should this man ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director
Registration and Subscription

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DYKES_I_009573

October 6, 1970

Mr. Joseph G. Groszek
Scout Executive
Scenic Trails Council, No. 274

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: James Peterson

ATTENTION: George W. Stone, District Scout Executive

Dear Mr. Groszek:

Thank you for your letter of October 1 concerning James Peterson, former Scoutmaster of Troop 63 in Onekama, Michigan. We have placed this information in our file.

We would, however, appreciate your sending us more substantiating information, such as a copy of the police or court records or any other material pertaining to this case. This would then support our reasons for placing this man on the Confidential File and it would be most helpful in strengthening our position of refusing to accept any future application for registration in the Scouting program.

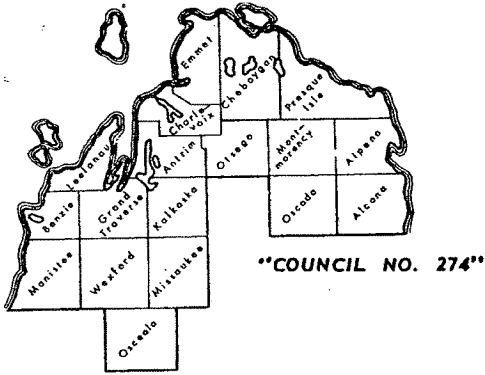
Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Scenic Trails Council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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HEADQUARTERS 18 COUNTY COUNCIL

PHONE: Windsor 6-7916

2308 US 31 N.

TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN 49684

October 1, 1970

Subject: report to be filed with National Council confidential file.

Party:

James Peterson

Age: 25

Height: 6 feet

Weight: 180

Hair: Brown

Marrital status: single

In 1969 he worked for Bill Acker at a lumber company on the outskirts of Onekama, Michigan.

This man was registered as Scoutmaster of Troop 63 in Onekama from 1968 to 1969.

Complaints were received from boys in the troop that the Scoutmaster was sexually molesting the boys at troop meetings and on outings. For a period of time the complaints were dismissed as being fancy. However, because of persistent complaints, a local minister who was also the neighborhood commissioner looked into the matter more deeply. Upon investigation, there seemed to be more fact than fancy and the Michigan State Police were called in. Their investigation and interigation led to a confession by Jim Peterson that he had, in fact, made improper advances to several of the boys. The courts offered him the choice of a jail sentence or treatment by a doctor,; he chose the latter and is currently undergoing treatment.

The delay in filing this report is due to the fact that considerable time lapsed between the investigation and court action and I wanted to make sure the man was guilty before recommending this action.

Sincerely,

George W. Stone

George W. Stone

District Scout Executive

MEMBER AGENCY OF ALL NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY CHESTS.



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