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April 30, 1985

Mr. B. W. Ussery Scout Executive Centreal Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Bryan Douglas Speer

Dear Ben:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

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## Boy Scouts of America

Central Ohio Council #441

1901 East Dublin-Granville Road Columbus, Ohio 43229 Telephone (614) 436-7200

October 8, 1984

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service Boy Scouts of America 1325 Walnut Hill Lane Irving, Texas 75062-1296

### PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Paul,

In reference to your letter of September 24, 1984, Bryan Douglas Speer, Troop 684, was found guilty and sentenced to 7 to 25 years.

I talked to Assistant Prosecutor David Bosley, who prosecuted the case, on October 5, 1984 and he informed me that he was sentenced the first week in August.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Faris

Director of Camp Properties

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cc: East Central Region



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September 24, 1984

Mr. B W Ussery Scout Executive Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Bryan Douglas Speer

Dear Ben:

Earlier this year we had communication concerning the above named individual. He was Scout master of your Troop 684.

We would like to know if sentencing has taken place, since this will help us to close this file. We will then be able to give this case to our attorney for review to see if any other information is necessary.

Thanks for your help in this matter, so that we can have all the information we need for future refusal of registration.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

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August 16, 1984

Mr. B. W. Ussery Scout Executive Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Bryan Douglas Speer

Dear Ben:

Earlier this year we had some communication concerning Bryan Douglas Speer. This individual was the Scoutmaster for Troop 684.

We would like to know whether sentencing has taken place concerning the molestating charges. This will help us to close our file and make certain that we have the information we need for refusal of further registration attempts.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration, Subscription & Statistical Serveis

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cc: East Central Region

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# scoutmaster admits rape

By Mary Yost Dispatch Court Reporter

A former scoutmaster accused of assaulting members of his Boy Scout troop, most of whom were mentally retarded, pleaded guilty today to rape.

-Brian Douglas Speer, 30, of 7912S. Champion Ave., faces a. possible prison sentence of 10 to 25 years.

Judge Patrick West ordered a psychiatric evaluation of Speer and set sentencing for July 31 in Franklin County Common Pleas

The charge Speer admitted involved a 10-year-old boy who spent a weekend with Speer in his home in January. The boy reported to his father that Speer

had engaged him in oral sex. cause they are mentally retarded.

Assistant Prosecutor David ed, Bösley explained.

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The boy involved in the single told the boy not to tell anyone rape charge against Speer is not and he would take him anywhere retarded but was in the troop to

ey said outside the court Speer is free on bond pending



File photo Brian Douglas Speer

against Speer are expected. Speer has admitted molesting. four other members of the scout troop but those victims would be unable to testify against him be-

he anted to go assist his younger, mentally re-Bosiev said outside the made tarded brother, Bosley noted.

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# Man's sex charge stuns friends

By Rick Bryant
Oispatch Police Reporter

People who knew and worked with ex-Scoutmaster Brian "Doug" Speer remember him as a soft-spoken, hard-working man who enjoyed helping and caring for mentally retarded children.

So, two years ago when Speer expressed interest in becoming a leader of Troop 684, made up mostly of retarded children, he was considered a perfect choice for the job.

LAST WEEK Scout officials, coworkers and friends were stunned to learn that Speer had been indicted on a charge of rape in connection with the molestation of members of its Boy Scout troops, including some who are retarded. The rape charge reportedly involves oral sex.

Speer was not available for comment, but acquaintances talked about the 29-year-old Columbus na-

One Scout official described. Speer was "a very active and very good scoutmaster. As a professional; and volunteer he had a good track record." A former employee said Speer had a spotless record during his five years of caring for retarded children at Heinzerling Memorial Foundation, a residential treatment center on the West Side.

AND THE parents of Scouts in his troop, who worked closely with Speer for two years, never expressed a complaint.

That ended Jan. 17. That day a 10-year-old boy told his parents he had been molested by Speer. The complaint led to a police probe, which resulted in Speer's indictment. April 13.

News of the indictment prompted the Central Ohio Council of the Boy Scouts of America to begin examining its process for selecting Scout leaders.

According to Peter Loscocco, public relations director for the council, a prospective scoutmaster must prove to troop sponsors that he believes in God; is willing to obey the Scout Oath; has good moral character; and possesses leadership abilities.

THE TROOP sponsor, Pauline

Kitchton, said she never "vouched for the man's character."

"I couldn't speak for the man's belief in God or moral character. I didn't even know him.

"The council recommended him to me and I just provided space for them to meet," said Kitchton, principal of West Central Training Center, where Troop 684 meets.

Kitchton said Speer was brought to her by the Scout council and that she never attested to Speer's character. But Loscocco said Kitchton signed papers that did.

LOSCOCCO DEFENDED the selection process and said the case, unprecedented in the council's 74-year history, was probably unavoidable.

"We have about 6,000 adult volunteers in central Ohio, and 99.9 percent of them are outstanding people," he said. "It's possible for one to fall through the cracks.

"Speer came to us with outstanding credentials. He had worked with retarded children and we had no reason to believe him to be anything but of good moral character."

June 8, 1984

Mr. B W. Ussery Scout Executive Central Chio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL:

Dear Ben:

About a month ago, we received information that an individual by the name of Bryan Douglas Speers had been indicted on charges of rape related to a 11 year old Scout.

We have heard nothing from you since that time. We would like to know what the procress is on this particular situation. We would like to have newspaper clippings and any other material which you have that would give us detailed information concerning the incident. We would also like to know whether this involved only one youth or more than that.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record sheet which I would like to have completed so we can identify Mr. Speers wherever he might move in the country. This is most important if we are to refuse registration at some later date.

Thanks for any help that you can give us at this time.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

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Source: Peter Loscocco , PR, Central Ohio Council 614-436-7200

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Address: Cblumbus, OHTO

The facts: Bryan Douglas Speer, SM, Troop 684, West Central Training Center,

Columbus, O., indicted on charge of rape based on incident alleged to have occurred at his home last January and involving an 11-year-old Scout in his troop. Speer is 29, single. Council suspended SM last January. Case hit the Columbus media last Thursday and Friday with heavy coverage.

ACTION OR RECOMMENDATIONS: Council to send us clips, They have followed the standard procedures in this matter.

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# Ex-leader indicted in Scout rape

By Rick Bryant

'A former scoutmaster has been indicted on a charge of rape in connection with the molestation of members of his Boy Scout troop, including some who are mentally retarded, Columbus police said today:

Brian. "Doug" Speer, 29, of 791 S. Champion Ave., who also worked for five years in caring for severely handicapped children, was indicted by the Franklin County grand

jury on a single count of rape.

Police said the charge stems from a Jam. 17 incident in which Speer invited a 10-yearold Boy Scout to spend the weekend at his home and "engaged in (oral) sexual conduct" with him.

THE BOY, who is not retarded, was one of at least four Boy Scouts police said Speer sexually assaulted during the past year and a half. Police said the other victims are mentally retarded: There is a large land

Juvenile. Officer Evelyn Baldridge: who did a two-month; investigation of the case, said "the scoutmaster was taking them onhiking and camping trips, then raping them. He also took some boys home and had sexual. conduct with them." here a rais 122 mare in

Baldridge said police filed a charge in only one case because at least three other victims are so badly retarded that they are unable to testify against Speer in court.

BALDRIDGE SAID Speer confessed to police to "at least four cases" of raping children and a common c

. When the 10-year-old victim later told. his parents what liappened, they called police and an investigation was launched, Baldridge said

-Speer served two years as scontmaster for Troop 682 sponsored by the West Central Training Center, a treatment center run by the Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation: The center is located at Central' Ave. and Town St.

Speer resigned as scoutmaster in January Baldindge said

FOR THE past five years Speer's occupation was caring for severely retarded children at Heinzerling Memorial Foundation, a residential treatment center at 1800 Heinzerling Dr. on the West Side. Speer resigned his job in January when the police investigation began, said Chris Rafeld, director of programming at Heinzerling.

Rafeld said Speer had never been suspected of molesting children at the founda-

The indictment was returned April 13. The next day Speer pleaded not guilty to the charge, and a public defender was appointed to represent him.

By JIM DILLON C-J Staff Writer

When Brian Speer became scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 684, he appeared to be a natural leader for the mentally retarded and unimpaired boys that composed the troop.

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Officials of the West Central Training Center, which is operated by the Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation and sponsored the troop, had vouched for Speer's belief in God, good moral character and general leadership qualities.

Speer was no stranger to the

challenges of working with mentally retarded boys. As a direct care assistant at the Heinzerling Memorial\* Foundation, a residential treatment center for severely retarded children, Speer bathed, dressed, fed and instructed such children.

"We had every reason to believe that Brian Speer was a top-notch leader and person," said Peter Loscocco, spokesman for the Central Ohio Council of the Boy Scouts of

America. "He came highly recommended and appeared to be perfect for the job. He worked with retarded children on the professional level."

So local scouting officials were "shocked, angered and dismayed"; yesterday after they learned Speer has been indicted for raping a 10year-old member of the troop.

And a Columbus police juvenile bureau detective said Speer has admitted that he sexually assaulted? other members of the troop on camping trips and when boys visited his home.

As a result of Speer's indictment, As a result of specific and Loscocco said, local scouting officials are going to review and strengthen the certification process for scoutmasters.

Frt., May 4, 1984

Columbus Citizen-Journal 3

"I think it's very unfortunate that the alleged actions of one individual zation," Loscocco said. "But once in a great while; we do have a prob- : sex on him, the report said.

Speer; 791 S. Champion Ave\_bethe county mental retardation board and the Heinzerling Foundation in January when police began investi-gating a complaint that he performed oral sex on the 10-year-old boy at his former home, 860 S. Champion Ave., Apr. B.

According to a report filed with.

police, the boy was spending the weekend at Speer's home with another boy. During the stay, Speer, undressed the boy and performed oral

Evelyn Baldridge began to investigate the complaint. Speen then promptly resigned as scoutmaster

During her two-month investiga-Speer several threes, and Speer admitted he had taken at least four members of the troop on hiking and camping trips, their raped them. Mrs. Baldridge said

a great while, we do have a proof special Police Juvenile Bureau detective. Sonable, straight-forward many "It's odd, but he was a very per-Baldridge said. भी प्रात्मा व विवर्ता अवस्थित

and gave up his job at the Heinzer rapet indictment against Speer April. A county grand jury returned the guilty and was released on his own tions, Mrs. Baldridge talked with recognizance. He is scheduled for trial June 18.