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MOLESTED VICTIM'S ENDLESS NIGHTMARE

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Eight years ago, she was assaulted. Now the man who attacked her is stalking her. She tells her story here.



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■ Since being released from prison, the man convicted of molesting Jean Lippincott has been seen near her school, her home, and the stores where she shops. The police say there is nothing they can do.

By DAVID HOFFMAN

RIVERSIDE — Sitting on a brown sofa in her dimly lit living room, Jean Lippincott worries if the man who sexually molested her is lurking outside her window.

Her cousin sits by her side, watching the 16-year-old girl wring her hands as she explains the horror she lives every day.

Ronald Robbins, the man who molested her when she was 7-years-old, is stalking her, she says, and there's nothing the police can do.

"He gives me dirty looks, but I don't stay around long enough for him to say anything," she says. "I don't know what he's going to do, but I know he's sick."

The 41-year-old molester used to be a close family friend — her mother's best friend's husband — whom Jean liked to call "Uncle Ron."

But now, he's a monster to Jean, a bad memory she just wants to forget.

Since he served his entire sentence and was unconditionally released from prison last Christmas, that hasn't been easy.

Jean says she has seen him about seven or eight times. And on every occasion, it has filled her with terror.

"Someone asked me if I thought he was rehabilitated," she says. "If he was, he wouldn't follow me."

He first showed up across the street from her bus stop where he stared at her for about five minutes, she says.

She ran away and has been running ever since. He's been seen near her school, her home, and the stores where she shops.

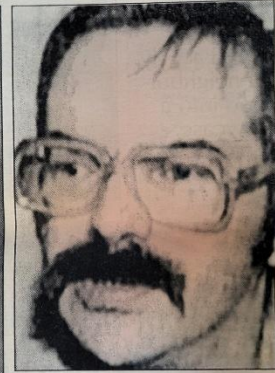
The police say there is nothing they can do because all of the teen's run-ins with the ex-con have been in public places. Attempts to contact Robbins were unsuccessful.

Three weeks ago, it became too much for Jean to bear.

She was on her way to the Thriftway supermarket, when Robbins saw her from across the street and started to come towards her.

The frightened teenager

'DID MEGAN DIE FOR NOTHING?'



ABOVE: Robbins
LEFT: Lippincott

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— Jean Lippincott



turned around and ran home, but this time she returned with her mother to confront him.

"How can you do this to me?" she yelled. "I loved you like an uncle."

Robbins just looked at her and laughed, waving the incident off as if it were nothing.

Knowing he is out there has had a profound effect on the teen.

When others are around, she can manage to look comfortable sitting on her living room couch with her cat curling around her legs.

But when she is alone, the fear is always there.

The teen who was once active in local civic groups now hides behind closed doors, checking the locks every five minutes.

She blames her fear, in part, on the failure of officials to fol-

low through on laws to protect her.

Because the notification provisions of Megan's Law are being challenged in court, police say they can't even warn the public of Robbins' address.

Such excuses don't wash with Jean who has been living in fear ever since Robbins' release.

"They're seeing it through the criminal's eyes, not the victim's," she says. "Did Megan die for nothing?"

Jean's nightmare started about nine years ago when she was 7 years old.

She had decided to spend the night at "Uncle Ron's" because they were both going to get up early to deliver newspapers.

Robbins lived across the street from her at the New River Terrace Apartments, where she and her mother still

reside.

While she was watching "Star Trek" on the couch, he lay down behind her, and tried to have sex with her through her clothes, she says.

She didn't report the incident right away, because she says she didn't understand what it meant.

"I was only 7-years-old, I didn't know what molesting was," she says. "I knew it wasn't right, but I didn't know it was a crime."

She was convinced to come forward after two of Robbins' stepchildren accused him of sexually molesting them.

Because Jean was so young, she taped her testimony so she wouldn't have to see him in court.

And for years he was gone. Until his release when he

moved into his parents' home in Burlington City.

While there he angered neighbors by holding loud parties, and agreed to move out in return for having a disorderly conduct charge dropped.

Next, he ended up in Riverside where he rented a room at the Pavilion Inn, a boarding house and go-go bar on Pavilion Avenue.

After about two weeks he was forced out, because the management had received too many complaints about their guest.

Because of the challenge to Megan's Law, officials couldn't tell Jean where he went.

She did say that someone told her he was living in Cinnaminson, but didn't know where.

"Everyday it's on my mind," she says.

Sex fiend stabbed

He hit on cop's son & died for it

By DAVID HOFFMAN

The Trentonian

NEW HANOVER — A police officer's son rebuffed the sexual advances of a notorious child molester known as "Uncle Elmer" by allegedly plunging a screwdriver into the man's head, neck and face 45 times.

The suspect, Jeremy South, then drove to nearby State Police barracks and told officers Elmer Green had been murdered. Since then, South, 21, has been charged in the slaying, which State Police said occurred during a fight early Tuesday morning.

Green, 61, was released from jail earlier this year after serving time for luring teenage boys to his Hockamick Road home with drugs, alcohol and soda.

Prosecutor Stephen G. Raymond said authorities are investigating whether Green made an advance toward South before he was killed. South had known Green — his great-uncle and neighbor — since he was 9 years old, the prosecutor said.

At about 2:45 a.m. Tuesday, South made his way to the Fort Dix New Jersey State Police barracks and reported Green had been murdered, Sgt. John Hagerty said.

Police said South "implied" he had killed Green, but they would not say if he confessed to the killing.

Two state troopers found Green in a pool of blood with gashes on his head.

South, the son of a Burlington Township police officer, is being held on \$250,000 cash bail.

Residents along Hockamick Road said the killing must have had something to do with Green's history as a child molester.

"Uncle Elmer" used to run a sex-for-soda shop from his home, before being arrested in 1992.

Teenage boys would come to his "store" to buy soda, candy, drugs and alcohol.

Shots of liquor would go for 50 cents, and a marijuana cigarette could cost up to \$5.

Green allowed the boys to run up tabs which they could pay off by allowing him to fondle and take nude photographs of them, according to court records.

He was sentenced to seven years in prison following a 1993 conviction on drug distribution charges but was released earlier this year, officials said.

The grandmother of one of the boys who testified against

Green said her son and South were good friends.

South and his grandparents would take her grandson on trips to places such as Maine and West Virginia.

The woman said the two boys often went to Green's house, leading her to believe South must have been molested.

Soon after her grandson was molested, he and South started hanging around with a group of "skinheads" who shaved their heads and wore black combat boots.

Those who know South said he is not a hate gang member.

"I think that gang was just a copycat type of thing," said Terri Peterla, South's former employer. "It was more of a social thing."

Peterla, who owns a landscaping business with her husband, said South was a nice guy and hard worker who was actually very quiet.

Other neighbors painted a picture of a man with a drinking problem who was always in trouble.

"When he drank, he always got wild and out of control," said one resident. "I was a little concerned about it."

She said she heard he had been drinking the night police say he murdered Green.

She said she was afraid to give her name.

Relatives standing around a pickup truck parked in front of Green's house refused to answer questions about the killing.

"We aren't going to talk to you," said one man. "We just want to be left alone."

Hagerty said there was no evidence to suggest Green had reopened his sex-for-soda shop.

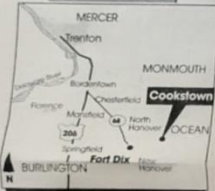
Neighbors said the 61-year-old, who reportedly couldn't read, was unemployed and collecting disability.

During his first trial, defense attorneys argued that his parents abused him as a child, stunting his growth both intellectually and emotionally.

Green is currently being held at the Burlington County Jail on \$250,000 cash bail.

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ELMER GREEN



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Elmer's brother, Stanley

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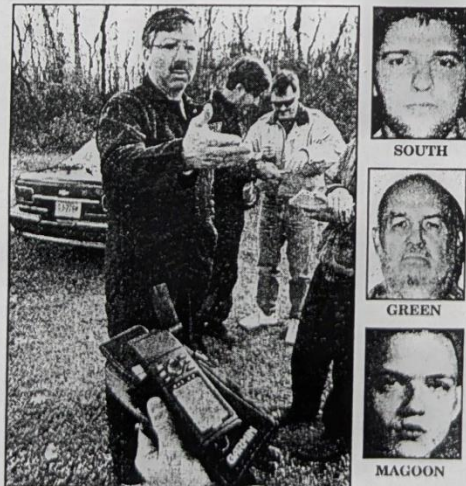
Trentonian Photos/MIKE ORAZZI
Flanked by pictures of accused murderer Jeremy South (left) and victim Patrick Magoon (right), Burlington County Prosecutor Stephen Raymond demonstrates how South allegedly shot Magoon below the chin with a shotgun last January.

Twisted revenge



ABOVE: State Police Detective Jack Repsha (left) and Detective Sgt. Nicholas Theodos measure Patrick Magoon's grave.

RIGHT: State Police used a global positioner (foreground) to mark the spot where Patrick Magoon's body was found. Detective Sgt. Nicholas Theodos explains how the device works.



SOUTH

GREEN

MAGOON

Police say 'Uncle Elmer's' grandnephew slew snitch

By DAVID HOFFMAN
The Trentonian

NEW HANOVER

The missing teenager who helped put child molester Elmer Green in prison was found in a shallow grave yesterday next to the home of "Uncle Elmer's" alleged killer, Patrick Magoon, 18, who accused Green of sexual abuse in 1992, vanished on Jan. 27 soon after the molester was released on parole.

Magoon was killed within hours of his disappearance, police said.

The discovery of his body comes less than a month after "Uncle Elmer" was stabbed 45 times in the head with a screwdriver.

Investigators believe Jeremy South, 21, who is charged with Green's killing, also killed Magoon.

Yesterday's discovery is the latest strange twist in a saga of molestation and murder that has rattled residents along Hockanick Road.

Police said South took Magoon to his house on Jan. 27 where he shot him through the chin and back with a shotgun.

He then wrapped his longtime friend in an orange plastic tarp and placed him in an 18-inch deep grave, said Detective Sgt. Tom Boesch.

South felt Magoon had betrayed him by testifying against Green, his great-uncle, said Burlington County Prosecutor Stephen Raymond.

"Detectives believe South was angry with Magoon because he was the first victim to come forward in the Elmer Green case," Raymond said.

"Magoon had brought shame to South by turning in Elmer Green."

On the night Magoon was slain, he had been drinking with South and the accused killer's girlfriend, 20-year-old Alice Walter, Raymond said.

Walter, who lied to police during their search for the missing

teen, is charged with hindering the investigation, he said.

Police discovered Magoon's decomposing body yesterday after they received a tip from an unidentified source, police said.

The 6-by-6-foot grave, which sat next to South's garage, was covered with a wooden box, Raymond said.

Green's house stands on an adjoining lot.

A team of about 12 investigators started to sift through the dirt at about 8 a.m. yesterday, unearthing Magoon's remains two hours later.

A sharp smell still lingered over the site hours after the body had been removed.

South, who was freed on \$50,000 bail after being charged in Green's murder, was arrested at his house, Raymond said.

He killed "Uncle Elmer" on Nov. 6 by plunging a screwdriver into his head, neck, and face 45 times, police said.

State police found Green in his bathroom wearing only a bathrobe, with the 5-inch blade of the screwdriver still in his hand.

"Originally we believed the motive may have been that Green had tried to molest South," Raymond said.

"However, we are looking into a different aspect of that case that I can't elaborate on."

"Uncle Elmer" once ran a sex-for-soda shop from his home, before being arrested in 1992.

Green allowed teenage boys to run up tabs which they could pay off by allowing him to fondle and take nude photographs of them, officials said.

Green was sentenced to seven years in prison after pleading guilty to sexually molesting three teens, but was paroled on Jan. 16 after serving just 26 months in jail, police said.

Magoon disappeared 11 days after the release.

"There is no evidence at this point that Green had any involvement in the murder of Magoon,"

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Raymond said "At this point there's no evidence that he knew of the murder, or discussed it with South."

After "Uncle Elmer's" death, however, Betty Green, Magoon's grandmother told The Trentonian she feared something bad had happened to her missing grandson.

Mrs. Green, who is not related to

"Uncle Elmer," said she last saw her grandson getting into a tan car with South and his girlfriend the day he disappeared.

Magoon and South had been friends since they were children, she said. South's grandparents even took Magoon with them to Virginia and Main, she said.

They used to go to "Uncle Elmer's" before his arrest, but South never claimed to have been molested by Green, she said.

After Green's trial, both boys joined a "skinhead" group, but officials said it had nothing to do with Magoon's murder.

Investigators, however, are look-

ing into the possibility that Magoon and South may have been involved in a burglary ring, police said.

Magoon may have been murdered to eliminate a possible witness, but it's highly unlikely, officials said.

The victim's grandmother could be seen sitting in her house, but a neighbor that answered the door said she had no comment.

South was being held in the Burlington County Jail on \$500,000 cash yesterday.

The prosecutor said he didn't know if he'd be seeking the death penalty.