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Profile of Perpetrator

Press Conference Location: Hampton County Courthouse, Hampton, South Carolina, on February 25, 2013, at 11:30 AM.
Address of Courthouse: If using GPS to locate the Courthouse use address 80 Elm Street, Hampton, S.C. 29924

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Is the School and Sheriff's Department Responsible for Allowing Extensive Sexual Abuse?

ReClaim Global Will Put the Administration and Faculty of Estill Middle School and Others in Hampton County, S.C., on Blast for Not Protecting Students from a Monstrous Pedophile.

- *Dr. Smith believes Estill Middle School cases could rival Jerry Sandusky, Penn State*
- *Resource Officer, Deputy Sheriff, and Pastor created love nests, where he sexually abused many students behind a locked door for over two-years -- right on school property -- under the noses of the school administration and faculty.*
- *Community needs to brace itself for what else could be lurking behind the arrest of this alleged molester...so they can be prepared to speak-up and demand justice.*

Dr. Kaye Smith, founder of ReClaim Global, headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida, along with a group of ReClaimers, will hold a press conference on February 25th, at 11:30 AM, in front of the Hampton County Courthouse, in Hampton, South Carolina. ReClaim Global is an advocacy group who stands up and speaks out against sexual abuse. It is estimated that over 100 ReClaimers will take off work on Monday and travel to Hampton, South Carolina, to protest how the officials in this community are handling the sexual abuse that allegedly has happened to many students at Estill Middle School. In a letter to the parents, on the school's website, officials report that they feel the students are safe, but Smith disagrees.

ReClaim Global has extended the opportunity to the school and community officials to speak at the press conference.

The focus of this press conference is to put the community, officials at Estill Middle School, city and state officials, and others on blast for giving alleged perpetrator, Larry Heyward, too much access and too much autonomy over students; thus, allowing him easy access to molest many children right under the noses of the administration and faculty at Estill Middle School. Smith believes that this type of perpetrator likely began molesting children much earlier than the past two-years. In addition, Smith feels that someone needs to be investigating why Heyward was involved in so many sexual abuse cases in this county. She has reason to believe that this could have been one of the ways Heyward got to some of his victims.

In January 2013, a brave fifteen-year-old student decided to put an end to Heyward's power and control – by reporting him. The student presented recorded evidence of abuse to an official at the school.

Apparently, the school was not trained on how to handle reports of sexual abuse and this unfortunately, further traumatized this student.

Heyward worked at Estill Middle and High School as a resource officer, was a deputy sheriff, and a local pastor at the Varnville Miracle Deliverance Center. He was arrested on January 7, 2013, within hours of the student's report, and was purportedly dismissed from the sheriff's department.

Heyward is currently awaiting trial for two counts of sexual abuse and one for misconduct, as a sheriff. This case is now being investigated by the state sheriff's office, the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED).

Dr. Smith is concerned that the evidence presented by the victim may not have been thoroughly investigated. She believes that someone should have looked at this case from a much broader perspective, given that the student indicated additional victims. Had these concerns also been considered, perhaps a dangerous man would not have been released from jail on a minimal bond. According to Smith, "Something is just not right here."

Commenting on the newspaper article, bloggers in this city were hostile and protested the arrest of their beloved pastor and sheriff. The family of this victim felt they needed to go outside of their area for help.

However, after the pre-trial, some people in the community expressed shock after realizing recorded evidence stood against Heyward.

"We need more people in the community to know the truth about what else is likely lurking behind this initial report." Smith feels this community needs to brace itself for what they are about to learn.

A veteran counselor in sexual abuse, with over a thousand cases behind her, Smith believes that this first report is just the tip of the iceberg, on what will eventually come out against Heyward.

"My gut tells me that the cases against Heyward could rival those of Jerry Sandusky, at Penn State. A socially competent child molester, like Heyward, does not become this sophisticated overnight. What he was doing at Estill has all of the potential markings of a person who's been molesting children for a long, long time."

Dr. Smith was called into this case by family members of one of Heyward's victims, who were very concerned for their loved one.

"I spent three sessions with this minor. I believed every word. This child did not realize how the details being spoken to me actually revealed a perpetrator with a deeply perverted and sick mind. This student described a very disturbing two-year journey that began with Heyward using brute force to get this minor to perform sexual favors with him, or else. The student was called back into the resource office over and over again; each time leaving traumatized and even more terrified, as Heyward gained more and more power. Sadly, no one at the school ever asked any questions."

Everything was done behind a locked door with this highly "respected" deputy sheriff. As Heyward gained power over this student, he began introducing his other victims into his perverted world. He had love nests, love groups with students, and he controlled them with all kinds of threats, violence, brute force, and he even used his police weapon. He frequently tased them on their backs, buttocks, and genitals. After they submitted to him, he wooed them with snacks and gifts. He ranked them by his love for them and the beauty of their bodies. The way this victim described how these students were required to perform sexual acts in front of him, makes Smith believe that there's a big possibility Heyward

was secretly video taping his victims. He also took them to private locations off school property. Smith revealed to SLED specifics on where they should look for forensic evidence.

"I provided a safe place for this victim to speak of the abuse. It was a painful journey for both of us. It makes me sick that all safety nets failed to protect this child. I wept when I heard how many times this victim's mother asked for help at this school, but was constantly reassured that these officials and the resource officer had the best interest of her child in mind."

This victim's family has asked me to come forward with this information, in hopes that others can be spared this type of trauma.

"What I have discovered is not counselor/counselee privileged information. The names of the victims will be kept discreet. What I've walked into, however, is criminal activity that I believe really happened, and I'm mandated to report it, and I have. I also believe that this community should not be duped anymore.

"I've given names and information of seven other potential victims to SLED; one of these names could reveal another love nest of Heyward's. In addition, professional experience tells me that if I were investigating this case, I would definitely be asking questions around his church. As a pastor, I am sure he gave himself a clergy pardon."

"This community needs to open a wide door, a safe place for all victims to come forward, and speak to a skilled sexual abuse counselor, and report any information they have on this horrible man. Parents need to understand that any embarrassment associated with sexual abuse does not belong to them or to their child, but it should be placed 100 percent onto the perpetrator. These victims have a right to heal. Families have a right for justice. Any parent that does not help a child process sexual abuse will cause him or her a lifetime of pain. I sense parents are hesitant to come forward and face these sexual atrocities."

The ReClaim Global website states, "Adults who know that sexual abuse has happened and does not report it --may the blood of that child be on their hands."

As an advocate against sexual abuse, Smith adds, "I feel it is necessary to get this community to rise up against this situation and demand justice. Sexual abuse is rampant everywhere. People need to learn how to better protect their children. When no one is suspicious, it creates the perfect scenario for sexual abuse to happen right under people's noses, like at Estill Middle School."

"There is no doubt in my mind that in this community there are good police officers, and good teachers and administrators at this school, as well as good families and parents. These are the people we want to reach. We want to help them help these children get healed, and bring out the need for a complete investigation on this man. Above all, we want to use these examples as a model to ensure that something like this never ever happens again, anywhere."

Prior to this event, ReClaim Global will blanket this community with flyers inviting anyone who is interested and wants to know what really happened at Estill Middle School to come to our press conference. ReClaim Global expects a good community turn out.

Smith believes this community can survive this, and prevent this from ever happening again, if they work together.

More information will be covered at the press conference. Smith's suspected profile of Heyward is attached.

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See Addendum on Profile.

Dr. Kaye Smith's Profile of a Molester like Heyward--ReClaim Global

According to Smith, the behavior and personality characteristics of molesters like Heyward, and possibly even Sandusky, walk in their own self-induced delusional thinking. Many sociopaths actually feed off of the confidence and flattery they get from others, whom they feel endorse them as respected public figures. In their own disturbed thinking, they actually believe that their victims would never betray them. Heyward was apparently so confident in his relationship with the victim Smith interviewed that he actually called the victim's home the day he was arrested. After he was arrested, and got out on bond, he was also seen at the place of the victim's mother employment; a move that really concerned Smith.

Smith's biggest concern is that when molesters like Heyward get caught, they actually become very angry by the perceived disloyalty of their victims. They seldom accept that their behavior with minors was found to be inappropriate. But, rather, in their minds, they see the betrayal of the victims, and convince themselves that it caused them to lose influence and credibility with others. Criminals like Heyward become very agitated when they can no longer talk themselves out of situations.

From how the victim described the abuse, it is obvious that Heyward was a socially competent molester; one who was able to manipulate his way into the lives of many students. As a pastor, he somehow felt a self-perceptible endorsement by God; as if he could offer the pardon of clergy to his victims if they felt any moral guilt. He had the credentials and public backing from the sheriff's department and he enjoyed both the trust and an open endorsement from school officials. He was able to dissuade teachers from correcting students, but, rather, to leave them in his hands. From his many positions of power, it was easy for a man like Heyward to exert a stronghold of power over the students.

Heyward is a sick, mentally disturbed, deeply dark, perverted, and violent man. Immediate actions should be taken to get this man off the streets.

It is not unusual for perverts like Heyward to believe they can convince others they are innocent. He denied all charges and even foolishly attempted to persuade others that it was not his voice on the recorded evidence. But, that claim back fired on him when a fellow officer confirmed it was his voice.

Smith notes, "This is typical behavior for someone who has a huge mental disturbance operating inside them. But, that is not what really bothers me. These perverts can become very dangerous, and attempt to demonstrate violence on their victims because they believe it wasn't their behavior that got them into trouble, rather it was the betrayal of the victim that caused him to lose his prestigious position."

"There is no doubt in my mind that a narcissistic sociopathic pedophile is on the loose in this county, and I believe he could be a real threat to the students who have not come forward yet. This man needs to be locked up and stay locked up."

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Press handouts will include:

More information on Dr. Smith's Initial Trauma Assessment on victim and Why ReClaim Global is Involved.

"The best thing we can hope for now is for a lot of 'if only's'" to be answered:

"To me," Smith continues, "this case will have a lot of 'if only's' in it. If only a school administrator had checked on this man's peculiar interest in certain students. If only the sheriff's department had a measurement of accountability for Heyward. If only a teacher had questioned why he was constantly calling certain students to his office. If only someone had thought it was odd for Heyward to lock these young victims with him in his office for hours at a time. If only someone had knocked on his door, they would have seen his den of perversion."

"If we pay attention to these 'if only's' and answer them, we can learn how to protect our children better."

Dr. Kaye Smith