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Sheriff's Office Arrest Greene County man for Rape

Greenport, NY – Columbia County Sheriff David Harrison, Jr. reports that 37 year old Paul Saxe of Mountain Avenue, Cairo, NY has been arrested and charged with several sex related crimes.

On Sunday, February 19th at about 9:30pm, Deputy Sheriff Andrew Broockmann and Greenport Police Officer Andrew Tanzillo responded for a suspicious activity complaint in a parking lot off of Graham Ave in the Town of Greenport. Upon arrival, the patrols located a vehicle with Saxe and a 13 year old female inside. Interviews with both parties revealed that Saxe was engaging in sexual activity with the 13 year old. Subsequently, Saxe was further interviewed by Sheriff's Investigator John Rivero and made more admissions about his sexual conduct with the 13 year old.

Saxe was arrested at 9:57pm that same night by Deputy Sheriff Broockmann and Investigator Rivero and was charged with Rape in the 2nd Degree a class D-Felony, Endangering the Welfare of a Child, Forcible Touching and Sexual Abuse in the 2nd Degree all class A-Misdemeanors. He was arraigned before Justice Francis Abitable in Greenport Town Court and remanded to the Columbia County jail without bail pending a return to court on Friday February 24th at 9:30am.

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The Dr. Stephen and Suzanne Menkes Child Advocacy Center in Greenport as well as District Attorney Paul Czajka's Office are also assisting in the investigation.

The investigation is continuing and the Sheriff is asking that if anyone has information concerning Saxe, to call or contact the Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Branch at (518) 828-4316.