

PLATT, MICHAEL J. 77

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**CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET**  
**REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE**  
**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

DATE November 17, 1977

FULL NAME Michael J. Pyatt  
 (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 3040 Belgrade Street

CITY Philadelphia STATE Pennsylvania ZIP CODE 19134

DATE OF BIRTH July 20, 1948 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Roman Catholic NATIONALITY United States Citizen

OCCUPATION Mechanic, Wee Wheelers Bus Co.

EDUCATION Northeast Catholic High School

WEIGHT 220 lbs. COLOR White HEIGHT 6 feet

COLOR OF HAIR Brown COLOR OF EYES Hazel

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
0312	Philadelphia	Pa.	ASM	Nov. 1959 - 1970 Jan. 1977	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> OFFICIAL CHARGES OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT (REVIEW) | <input type="checkbox"/> UNSUBSTANTIATED REPORTS          |

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND INDIVIDUAL FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE AND LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Newspaper Article - Philadelphia Evening Bulletin - 11/16/77  
 Newspaper Article - Philadelphia Daily News - 11/16/77

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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

November 17, 1977

Signed *Joseph L. Anglim*  
 SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Philadelphia #525

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February 3, 1978

Mr. Frank V. Savin  
Council Executive  
Philadelphia Council, No.525

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Michael J. Pyatt

Dear Frank:

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

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration & Subscription Service

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PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

22nd and Winter Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. 19103

LOcust 4-2540

November 18, 1977

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Registration & Subscription Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

RE: Michael J. Pyatt

Dear Paul:

Enclosed please find the following information:

- (1) Confidential Record Sheet for Michael J. Pyatt
- (2) Copy of letter placing Mr. Pyatt in immediate suspension
- (3) Photostatic copy of newspaper reports appearing in the Philadelphia Bulletin on November 16, 1977, and in the Philadelphia Daily News on November 16, 1977.

It is for these reasons that I have taken action to place this person in suspension, and recommend denial of registration in accord with "Procedures for Maintaining Standards of Leadership" in the Boy Scouts of America.

Sincerely,

Frank V. Savino  
Scout Executive

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Enclosures

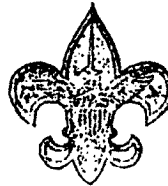
*Mr Ernst  
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newspaper articles  
of suspension I want  
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PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

22nd and Winter Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. 19103

LOcust 4-2540

November 16, 1977

Mr. Michael J. Pyatt  
3040 Belgrade Street  
Philadelphia, Pa. 19134

Dear Mike:

After careful review, I have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. I am, therefore, compelled to request that you suspend all relations that you have with the Boy Scouts of America, including your relationship with Troop 312, sponsored by the Nativity BVM Roman Catholic Church in the Philadelphia Council.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. It reserves the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which the Boy Scouts of America seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining why you claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be reinstated.

Sincerely,

Frank V. Savino  
Scout Executive

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PHILADELPHIA DAILY NEWS 11/16/77

## Scout Chief Convicted

By DAVE RACHER

A 29-year-old assistant scoutmaster yesterday was convicted of sexually molesting one of his charges — a 12-year-old boy — last May 5.

Assistant District Attorney Adam Renfroe said the defendant, Michael Pyatt, showed two pornographic films to the victim and another 12-year-old in Pyatt's home on Belgrade St. near Clearfield, and molested the boys.

He was acquitted of one of the molesting charges.

Pyatt said he may have made an "error in judgment" by showing the films but denied molesting the boys. He was released on \$1,000 bail. Sentencing was deferred.

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# Scouter Guilty in Sex Case

By ELMER SMITH  
Of The Bulletin Staff

An assistant scoutmaster was convicted yesterday of sexually molesting two boys in his scout troop.

Michael Pyatt, 29, of the 3000 block of Belgrade st., Philadelphia was convicted of two counts of indecent assault and one each of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse and corrupting the morals of a minor.

The verdict was handed down yesterday by a jury that deliberated for most of two days following a four-day trial before Common Pleas Judge Charles Klein.

According to testimony at the trial, Pyatt had invited two 12-year-old boys that lived in his neighborhood and were members of his scout troop to watch pornographic movies at his house on May 5.

One of the boys, whose names are being withheld, testified that Pyatt molested him after the movie.

A short time later while he was in Pyatt's bathroom, he said, Pyatt came in and performed sexual acts with both boys.

The boy's mother testified that she became suspicious when (and went to investigate) when her son did not return right away from Pyatt's house.

She said Pyatt told her that neither of the two boys was there although she later found out that both were there at the time.

In testimony, Pyatt said he had used "bad judgement" in showing the porno films to the boys but his only concern was to help prepare them for life.

He also admitted lying to the boy's mother when she came to the door. But he denied touching either boy or having sex with them in any way.

Assistant District Attorney Adam Renfroe, Jr. explained that the one count of indecent assault was the only charge on Pyatt stemming from his involvement with the second boy that night.

Renfroe said the boy, who is the son of a policeman, was killed accidentally last September while playing with a pistol.

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