

## Sexual Assault Arrest

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**10/07/2014**

**Incident:** Sexual Assault Arrest

**Contact:** Watch Commander, 805-339-4416

**Location:** 100 Block of N. Laurel St., Ventura

**Date/Time Occurred:**10-7-14/1900

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura Police Detectives

**Victim(s):** Adult Female, Name Withheld

**Suspect(s):** Brandon Vanwie, 24, and Madeline Carden, 20, Ventura Residents

**Report #:** 14-06623

Narrative: On 5-29-14, Ventura Police Dispatch received a report of a sexual assault. The victim disclosed to officers that while she was living with the suspects, Vanwie and Carden, in the 100 Block of N. Laurel St., she was raped and mistreated on an ongoing basis. The victim described how she was raped while she was intoxicated and another occasion where she was bound and sodomized. During follow-up interviews with the victim, she told detectives that the suspects treated her as their child. They had control of her money and important documents and even restricted whom she spoke to.

On 9-3-14, Ventura Police Major Crimes Detectives conducted a search warrant at the residence of Vanwie and Carden. Detectives located evidence that Vanwie and Carden had conspired to get the victim intoxicated and rape her. Detectives located numerous images of suspected child pornography that Vanwie and Carden had been sending to one another electronically. Detectives also located several photographs of what appeared to be a 12-13 year old female child walking to school. The photos were later determined to be actual photos taken by Vanwie of a junior high student that he had an unnatural sexual fascination with. Detectives located evidence showing that Carden also shared the unnatural interest in the child and that she was involved in conspiring to photograph her. Police later identified the child and her family was contacted regarding the activity of Vanwie and Carden.

Both Vanwie and Carden told detectives that they regularly fantasized about sex acts with underage girls. Detectives located evidence that Vanwie and Carden discussed various ways to lure underage girls to their home for the purpose of sexual acts. On 10-7-14, Vanwie and Carden were arrested and booked at the Ventura County Jail for 182 PC (Conspiracy), 261(a)(3) PC (Rape), 286(a) PC (Sodomy), 647.6(a)(1) PC (Child Annoyance) And 311.1 PC (Possession Of Child Pornography).

The investigation into this crime is ongoing. Anyone with related information is urged to contact Det. Edwards of the Ventura Police Department at 339-4328.