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**CAPITAL CASE**

**IN THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT**

**JAMES MAMMONE III,**

**Petitioner,**

**v.**

**CHARLOTTE JENKINS,**

**Respondent.**

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I am writing to set the record straight regarding any questions and misconceptions surrounding the motives and events concerning my deceased children Macy Mammone and James Mammone IV, as well as their grandmother Margaret Eakin.

The news media has accurately reported that I gave a taped confession to Canton police detectives in which I admitting to ending the mortal lives of the three aforementioned people. I would not do anything so drastic without owning up to it.

However, the police did not ask me what my motives were that prompted the killings, nor did I offer any such information to them.

In the absence of a factual motive for this tragic loss of life, the media has conjectured that I acted in vengeance against my wife, who sought to break apart our children's immediate family. It has been claimed in the media that my precious children lost their lives so their mother would be subject to extreme mental anguish.

I understand that through conjecture the media means to sell the public a villainous monster. However, the claims of my motive - regarding my children - are false and unfounded.

Beginning at 4 PM on Sunday, June 7th, I began 14 hours of continuously attempting to resolve the conflict between the children's mother and I regarding the unacceptable living situation that she and the Stark County Family Courts (specifically the "professional homewrecker" Judge Jim James) had placed our children into. My wife was unwilling to act to protect her children even though she knew I believed death was a viable solution. I did not wish for harm to come to my children, but I concluded there was no other way to ensure they were going to receive to proper spiritual care they had been promised.

After somberly taking my precious children's lives while they slept in the early morning hours of Monday, June 8th, only then did I become enraged.

Vexation overcame me, and I sought to make the family who turned their backs me, and my wife, who allowed the unthinkable to happen to our children, feel my pain.

Only one block from Westminster Community Church - the sacred grounds where I send my children back to their Creator - my mother-in-law was resting in her guest room. I drove to her home and entered it. I went upstairs and murdered her in a savage manner - then I fled her home. I went into shock. Eventually, I made arrangements to turn my children over to the police.

While my children were absolutely not killed out of revenge, my mother-in-law was. It was wrong of me to kill her and I am very sorry that I did. I was not in a proper state of mind when doing so.

To make matters worse, I called my wife and taunted her about the killings that transpired. That, of course, did hurt her.

Before starting our family, I made it abundantly clear to my wife that I would never accept our children growing up in a household where their biological parents were not both present, and lived as husband and wife. My wife agreed to my demands; she assured me we would be together forever - a claim that we swore to God we would uphold several years before when we spoke our Christian wedding vows.

I firmly believe that no good comes to children who are subjected to the divorce of their parents. Children who live in a broken home environment are often put under the supervision of persons who are not emotionally connected to the children in a manner that enables them to make the protection and well being of said children their utmost priority. The needs of the child becomes secondary to the desires and ulterior motives of the charlatans to whom their care has been entrusted.

Sadly, many children's safety and innocence are compromised. More times than not, mistreated children develop pervasive psychological difficulties which may adversely affect all aspects of their lives; physical, mental and emotional problems stay with them throughout adulthood.

This was not going to happen to my children I pledged my life to God to protect from the harm of immorality.

We live in dangerous times were God's laws are perceived as being antiquated. Satan has been leading a costly war against family values for the past 50 years.

Divorce has become commonplace. Satan has been able to establish divorce as a norm of society; when our peers get divorced, they are unknowingly working as Satan's enablers of immorality. Many people who are convinced that they are good people, are being coerced by the kingdom of darkness into perpetuating the moral decay of our culture.

With divorce working as a post-modern plague, recent generations of our people have been exposed to - and embraced - a myriad of other sins as well.

Sin has taken a stranglehold on: our governments and economies; our workplaces; our social and sexual habits; our perceptions of morality and propriety; the media; and the value we place on education.

Yes, I know, I stand on a very high soapbox for being a murderer.

I have always cared for my fellow Cantonians, and they are looking for answers as to why so much violence is cropping up in our proud community. I speak to this matter honestly, as it pertains to my specific, and how I view the world in general.

While I confess to being totally without just cause for needlessly murdering Margaret Eakin, I still feel as though I did the most merciful thing I could do for my children bases upon the conditions of their environment, and the bleak outlook of the future they were to face.

If the public is outraged over the loss of my children's life, then I beseech them to not let Macy and James die in vain!

Stop getting divorces!

Stop breaking up your children's homes!

Stop making vows to God that you aren't will to keep!

Two wonderful, well-loved children are now gone from our community.

Are there two couples out there who are willing to say "enough is enough" and pledge to each other to solemnly uphold the traditional family values that make children thrive?

I hope so. The lives of my children were much too short, but their existence can still have a profound meaning.

I believe there is alot of good in the world, and all of that good is bestowed upon us as blessings from God.

Far too many people have chosen to forsake their heavenly Father and embrace a lifestyle filled with sin and iniquity.

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in poor taste of The Repository to publish all 6 pages of the letter and I consider it unnecessary. Have some compassion for all that family has been through and then to see this sicko's thought process behind MURDERING his two children and mother in law. It's absolutely appalling to know that The Repository thought this to be a necessary part of their story line. It should have been left at the letter was sent to The Repository and due to it's explicit nature it was not published. He is probably laughing right now in his cell knowing that what he wanted---he got, another chance in the spotlight. The letter should have been turned over to the prosecution immediately and not published in anyway shape or form. Shame on you Repository.

**Full text of James Mammone III's letter to The Repository**  
**Posted Aug 25, 2009 @ 04:00 AM**

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God's promises are for those who obey his commandments. You blew it when you broke the 'do not murder' one. Divorce is acceptable, murder is 'nt you poor bastard. You will be judged in a higher court. Meanwhile you will continue to eat, sleep and get recreation time, unlike your children. Marcy hopefully will have other children to nurture and love. You are not worthy to be a father. Oh wait.....you're not anymore.

an\_icon

2 months ago

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What a piece of CRAP!!!!!! You should of killed yourself first. Marcy may god bless you and your children this TURd will see he SATAN he is so afraid of.

jeabeeTim

2 months ago

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like how so few people have commented on the letter itself, as to deny Mammone III the attention he seeks. I will comment here, however, because I knew Jim rather well through the '90's--unfortunately.

Having come from a broken home himself, Jim is setting the stage for his insanity plea. But can we allow him to acknowledge the sins of divorce without acknowledging the sins of murder? If he can justify murder in his mind, then surely he can justify divorce? Yet in this letter, where he so adamantly proclaims his belief in God, he asked forgiveness for either divorce nor murder.

Jim was proof that people can come from a broken home and make a good life for themselves. I remember first meeting Marcia and thinking how far out of his league she was. Marcia is beautiful, Jim is not. Marcia is sweet, Jim is strange. Yet Marcia married Jim and gave him a family. Jim has no one to blame but himself and his love of alcohol, narcotics and allucinogens for losing his family. Funny how he didn't mention that in his 'Godly' letter.

Jim is not God, but I do not believe that divorce is an unforgivable sin, it is even a rectifiable sin. But murder, once committed is not rectifiable, we cannot resurrect the dead and start over. Through a bit of honor, some courage and a commitment to his children, Jim could have worked towards making a good life for Macy and James IV despite his differences with Marcia, and through his own experiences of a broken home. Instead he took a knife to their throats as they slept.

James Mammone III is a coward and a fraud. He did not deserve Marcia nor the children she gave him, and they most certainly did not deserve him. God has an answer for James Mammone III.

Jim Fulton

ans2ndwife

months ago

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Personally wouldn't have printed this. Too many whacked people in Canton might actually believe this filth.

zyqkatt

months ago

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Wasn't going to read the letter,, but my was like,, u got to read the letter this guy wrote,, i almost fell off the couch when i did read it,, i agree when people say he should have killed himself,if he thought the world was such a bad place,, no one could have to die like that!!!! i do think he does have some mental problems but no defence for him

con

months ago

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Good post Tim, I knew Mammone also, trust me there was not a religious bone in his body, now all of a sudden he is Pastor n. he could have cared less about his children, he never did anything with them as a family unit. Would rather be out drinking and popping pills than be with his family. He was a strange dood but very friendly and courteous. Many people-



like mammone- suppress thier feelings, mental illness and anger so deeply it is hard to recognize. Comments like 'I will put you in your grave' are signs of thier mental illness coming out. Then one day it pops and this is the result of it. I would encourage anyone whos spouse threatens them to take it seriously and get out, as these are the dangerous people and they cannot be helped.

bradswife

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He said he told her death was a 'viable solution', why would anyone give this guy unsupervised visits? Court system holds some of the blame here- doncha think? Did they not believe her when she told them she was afraid that he would kill her children? OMG

outrageous

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What an absolute freak show. Mental illness or not, you're going down Mr Mammone!

Lion02

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What a nut-ball!

capish

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You took three lives. You can write all the letters you want and try to come up with as many excuses as you want, but it's a waste of time. I don't think you're a monster, I think you're nothing. Not a husband, not a father, not a son, not a human, just nothing. Although, I have to add that you're a coward too. Death would have been a 'viable solution' for you but you were too scared to do that. Let's add hypocrite to my list. Your next world is in jail, have fun with that promise.....that' the God's promise you deserve. I do hope noone kills you in there, please live a long and miserable life there. You should receive lots of attention in there.

Alterego

2 months ago

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Nice letter. Now do what any other wacko family annihilators would do. End it now! You know you want to James. Slip into that quiet blissful sleep. We won't watch. Go ahead!

sassybnitz44

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i think mammone wrote this letter to try to get a better insanity plea bargain i believe the courts shouldnt waste our tax dollars on supporting him in prison treat him the same way he did his children and mother in law and thats still treatting him to good!

AR90

2 months ago

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I can't believe I actually read the whole letter! Since Mammone is so 'knowledgable' about God and His promises, I think he would agree that he should endure the same suffering those 2 innocent babies and his mil endured! It has been suggested to me that he should be taken out by the courthouse to let the community deal with him! I say get the needle!

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Mammone in letter: Killing his children was 'the most merciful thing'

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The six-page letter, scrawled in pencil on sheets ripped from a yellow legal pad, begins with those words.

More shocking are the claims that follow and the name at the end, signed three times: James Mammon III.

Mammon, 35, of Canton, sits in the Stark County Jail, charged with aggravated murder and facing a death sentence if convicted of killing his two children and his former mother-in-law in June.

He has pleaded not guilty and his trial is set for January.

The Repository received two unsolicited letters Monday that appear to have been written by Mammon. They came in one envelope identifying them as inmate mail. A jail supervisor confirmed that Mammon had sent a letter to the newspaper.

The main letter dealt with Mammon's case. The second letter comments on another, unrelated homicide.

The writer, claiming to be Mammon, doesn't deny responsibility for the killings with which he is charged - "I would not do anything so drastic without owning up to it," the letter states - and tries to explain his motives in a lengthy essay that condemns his ex-wife, society, courts and the media, and calls divorce a tool of Satan.

"Yes, I know, I stand on a very high soapbox for being a murderer," the writer admits.

#### NOT REVENGE

Authorities say Mammon fatally stabbed 5-year-old Macy Mammon and 3-year-old James Mammon IV. Police found them strapped into child-safety seats in the car Mammon was driving.

Mammon's former mother-in-law, Margaret Eakin, 57, was shot to death in her Poplar Avenue NW home.

Police have said Mammon confessed to the June 8 killings, saying he wanted to hurt his ex-wife, Marcia Eakin, following their divorce, which was finalized in April.

The letter claims that Mammon never gave investigators a reason for the killings and that they didn't ask.

Then it tries to explain why he killed his children.

No good comes to children whose parents divorce, and Mammon wasn't going to allow their safety and innocence to be compromised, the letter states, although the writer doesn't specifically say what endangered the children.

"I did not wish for harm to come to my children, but I concluded there was no other way to ensure they were going to receive to proper spiritual care they had been promised," the letter states.

After the children's deaths, Mammon became enraged and went to Eakin's home, where he killed her, according to the letter.

"While I confess to being totally without just cause for needlessly murdering Margaret Eakin, I still feel as though I did the most merciful thing I could do for my children (based) upon the conditions of their environment, and the bleak outlook of the future they were to face," the letter states. "If the public is outraged over the loss of my (children's) life, then I beseech them to not let Macy and James die in vain!"

"Stop getting divorces!

"Stop breaking up your (children's) homes!

"Stop making vows to God that you aren't (willing) to keep!"

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Assistant Stark County Prosecutor Chryssa Hartnett declined to confirm or contradict the claims made in the letter.

With the case pending, "it would be improper ethically for me to do that at this point," she said.

The defense wasn't saying much, either. They've already said in court filings that Mammon doesn't wish to discuss the case with anyone without his lawyers being present.

Sending letters isn't "part of our legal strategy, but a client has free will and can choose to either take or disregard the advice of counsel," said Derek Lowry, one of Mammon's attorneys.

George Urban, an attorney who has served as a spokesman for Marcia and her father, James Eakin, declined to comment on the letter.

A regularly scheduled pretrial conference on the case is set for Wednesday before Stark County Common Pleas Judge John G. Haas.

In addition to the murders, Mammon is charged with breaking into the Canton Township home of his ex-wife and trying to set fire to a truck parked outside.

The letter mentions nothing about those allegations. At the end of the letter, the writer comments on Mammon's "smirking" jail photo. The photo was taken a year prior to his arrest.

"I assure you all, I looked considerably more melancholy the morning my children lost their lives," the letter states.

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Mammone murders, goes to jail, and NOW gets religion. How sad, and pathetic. Can't run his own life so he decides to preach to the rest of us. Ok boys, time to plug in ole 'Sparky.'

rino333

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Someone must have noticed Mr. Mammone's growing psychosis and should have intervened before two children had to die. I'm heart sick.

jjj32

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The Canton Repository's poor judgement in even considering the publishing of this letter is completely ridiculous. What a terrible excuse for a community news forum. The Canton Repository gave an admitted murderer a voice and power today. Without considering the effects this letter may have on the victims' families and the community, the publishing of this letter is an outrage and is unacceptable. I do not wish to continue my subscription. I am not going to support a business who adds fuel to the fire. The Canton Repository seemd conveniently filled with respect and compassion to the family at the time of the funerals so they could receive permission to cover the 'story' at that time, and now abandons that repsect for the family for the sake of selling a few more papers today. Shameful. Completely shameful.

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2 months ago

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FROM THE STORY: 'Sending letters isn't 'part of our legal strategy...a client has free will and can choose to either take or disregard the advice of counsel.'

- - - Just curious, what 'advice of counsel' did Mammone 'either take or disregard' before he practiced 'free will' to send a letter to the Repository? Mammone's letter will magnify the public's impression that he went off of the rails on a crazy train.

jjj32

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Conveniently, the Rep didn't publish my earlier comments regarding this dispicable story and what poor judgement the Rep made in publishing it....way to be objective...then the woman from Customer Service just gave me a hard time about cancelling my subscription because I refuse to support a business like this. She said is was freedom of the press...well it's my freedom not to support the press when it publishes such ridiculous content.

SuQ

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Amazing how some people are so 'Spiritual' but feel they can justify killing...I think this is a prelude to an insanity defense. He is now looking for some kind of evidence to label him insane and avoid the death penalty...Good try.

CantonDad7

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Irresponsible, Repository. Over the past few years, your journalistic ethics have declined. Now, it is clear that all that interests you is selling papers, ethics and human compassion be damned.

irishpride

2 months ago

Report Abuse

The Repository has done it again!!! You should be ashamed of yourself. You will do anything to sell a paper. I guess I can't blame you, this paper is horrible. This will be my last entry. I am canceling my gift subscription and will never read this rag again!!!

Rosetta Taylor

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Why would the Rep publish this garbage? This idiot does not deserve a public forum to spew his agenda-No one wants to



hear it. You have sunk to a new low Rep.

katiekatie

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Wow Repository. You have no respect for the victims of this heinous crime. Even VH1 has more class than you. You're exploitative and disgusting.

Chucky Bow

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Shame on you Don Detore. Shame on you Veronica Van Dress. On the first day of school you have to go down this road?

Mammone will get his due. I wonder if he will worry about how he looks when they hook him up to 220 and flip the switch???

My heart goes out to the Eakin family that our local paper has to play off of their tragedy.. Sad day for Canton, Ohio for sure.

TellingDad

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Absolutely PATHETIC that you would publish this. Killers and purveyors of domestic violence do NOT deserve a voice. He wants to reach from his jail cell and hurt Marci more and you are allowing it. Let him rot in silence in his jail cell until justice is served. This monster will continue to needle his victims from his jail cell for as long as you serve as his mouthpiece. If your family were the victims would you print this in the spirit of journalism or would the pain be too much to bear? You should be ashamed but when ratings overtake common sense I suppose it's all we can expect from the Canton Rep.

muhlygal

2 months ago

Report Abuse

There needs to be a report abuse button for articles. Why write this man's drivel? Turn it over to prosecutors and let it be. The family and community already have suffered enough at the hands of this madman. God Lord in Heaven, those children suffered far more at the hands of this lunatic than they would have raised by a loving family without him around. Again my plea to family courts....if the man has been abusive and this comes out in divorce court (CPO, DV charges, CPS cases that support the claim, children's report that it happens) then please DO NOT LET THE MAN NEAR THE KIDS! DV perpetrators in many cases want nothing more than to HURT the woman who has left them and Mammone has stumbled on the absolute best way to do that. (although quitehonestly, had he chosen to continue being a total prick with her through the kids not one person in family court would have stopped him....he could have tormented her for YEARS without losing his freedom).

francosarto

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Please stop putting his picture in the paper. Please. This letter should have been turned over to the police and NO mention of it should be in the paper. You are giving this creep the attention he wants.

TellingDad

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Please, at least do SOME good. If anyone wants to help support the program established with Marci's blessing, you can read more about the cause and what happened at <http://www.tellingdad.com/sweet-dreams-fund> as it's at least something positive to read. All the Canton Rep did by publishing this is feed into a murderer. It served no community purpose and had no benefit outside their own agenda.

KellyTheChef

2 months ago

Report Abuse

What the heck were you fools thinking. This man is a murderer who has shattered the lives of innocent people, and you give him front page coverage to spew his trash?? This should have never been printed. It should have been handed over to the authorities so that the correct people could have used it for justice. Whoever made the decision to print this should be ashamed of themselves.

francosarto

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I would also like to know if that picture of him is indeed an old mug shot. Isn't it typical to use the current mug shot...the one taken for the current arrest?

If it is old, then the Rep is once again pandering to sell papers. Of course that smirking expression on his face is infuriating in light of the horrible crimes he committed. But, now it seems that the picture was taken a full year before he killed his children and his MIL.

It seems the Rep is practicing National Inquirer journalism.

uperdare

2 months ago

Report Abuse

ino333 - you state 'Someone must have noticed Mr. Mammone's growing psychosis and should have intervened before two

children had to die.'

I knew James, and I can tell you that myself and others who knew him were shocked and devastated by this. He acted mad like any other unhappily divorced person, but I had never once seen him violent, I saw him take his children to lunch like a normal father....None of us ever expected this.

That being said, I truly hope that these outrageous publicity attempts do not effect James trial or open the doors to any appeals. He needs to be found solidly guilty of the crimes he committed and sentenced accordingly.

SuQ

2 months ago

Report Abuse

He is such an ugly puke...Someone needs to wipe this smirk from his face.

TellingDad

2 months ago

Report Abuse

So, he confesses. Then pleads not guilty with blood on his hands. And now confesses again. Can we just expedite the trial for this loser and be done with him? Can the Canton Rep start to practice responsible journalism and protect the victim and her family? Or does that not sell papers? Compassion is the high road but the Canton Rep chose the low road. You should have stated you got the letter, voiced that you weren't going to publish it out of respect for the victims, and then turned it over to the police. But again...where's the self-serving benefit in that?

joe sheaps

2 months ago

Report Abuse

"SELLING NEWSPAPERS HAS HIT AN ALL TIME LOW! SHAME ON THE REP.

NoClue

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Well REP: Just trying to stir the 'pot'. Not that I am defending this murderer of children. That being said, he did not sign the letter three times, he printed his name, then he signed his name and then he put something under it in three squares.

GoPups2006

2 months ago

Report Abuse

1) I agree this should never have seen the paper/light of day

2) This man is a seriously twisted piece of crap. To claim God as a reason for such actions is a sacrilege in and of itself and this 'eternal time with God' he claims will be a fiery eternity in Hell.

angela7601

2 months ago

Report Abuse

This is trash Rep. I am not surprised that you used an old pic...that pic caused a lot of ruckus. Can anyone say national enquirer?? Also dont suprise me that anyone can comment on this story...for now. Dont waste peoples time on this creep.

Kill him like he did those poor babies.

Evie7808

2 months ago

Report Abuse

i am absolutely DISGUSTED in what i just read...how can you do this Rep?? you put this MURDERER'S letter in the paper...you are no better than the national inquirer...did you even THINK about marci and her family?? DID YOU????? this woman lost her mother and two beautiful children less than six months ago and you write this?? i will be calling everyone i know and telling them to get rid of their subscription to this rag of a paper...you, Todd Hoover and don detore, should be ashamed of yourselves...you should have given that letter write over to the police and let them do their jobs!! I have seen the Rep write some questionable articles during my time but nothing as disgusting as this...i just wish the public could elect people to the paper because i know a lot of them there would be fired...

siobhan

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Several emails were set to the Repository asking them not to publish this letter. This is the most offensive , insensitive display I have ever seen. When I wrote last night I asked for compassion and understand for the victims. I asked ofr them to not give this monster a voice. However, this was ignored. Do you not have children, do you not have loved ones? How can a paper be so inconsiderate? I will no longer read this paper nor support any company that advertises this website. Domestic violence should not be marketed on. This is such a disappointment.

Canton Gal

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Maybe he wants us all to believe he's crazy. Then he won't get the death penalty if found guilty by reason of insanity. From the letter I get pre-meditation. Course not find a juror in Canton. Interesting....

igbeak

2 months ago

Report Abuse



Any possibility the legislature can bring back burning at the stake?

DimickPCBFL

2 months ago

Report Abuse

This is absolutely the most disgusting thing I have ever cam across. I can not believe that the paper would publish this. I really think this is a stab to the childrens mother. I along with other people have took the time to write and email to the Managing Editor Don Detore. I believe everyone here should too. His email is don.detore@cantonrep.com. The people from the Rep did not have to think about selling newspapers but should think about the effect that if would have on the victims. I will never buy a paper from the canton rep. I think we should all join in and stand up for what is right. Put yourself in the shoes of the family members. his is exactly why domestic violence goes on because NOONE thinks about the victims!!!

mellswor

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I can't believe that anyone would actually publish this letter. Nobody wants to hear the rantings of a murderer! His actions could NEVER be justified and it just proves that the Rep cares more about selling a few papers than the well being of the community they serve. I'm sure this issue will resolve itself as the intelligent people from Canton boycott and cancel their subscriptions! I am sooo sorry that this poor family has to endure the stupidity of the Repository! Makes me sick!

Ottertk1

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Thank you Rep for printing this story. For those of us who want to follow this case, this helps show us the mentality of this man and how he thinks. Now we know what he was thinking when he killed his children. This man has some serious issues and hopefully we will be able to help him by sticking a needle in his arm and ending his suffering. He will never again be able to take another innocent life.

buckeyes09

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I hope he burns in hell !!

jdawg987

2 months ago

Report Abuse

People on here who are bashing the Rep for publishing this story need to GROW UP! Incase you idiot's haven't read the constitution it states 'freedom of the press'. It's ok for people to gossip and talk behind people's back but god forbid we publish a CONFESSION letter to a newspaper. Did It ever occur to you MORONS! that this was published just to make it that much easier for the prosecutor's to put him away and make sure he doesn't try the insanity plea. Because it sounds to me in that letter he knew exactly what he was doing and in HIS MIND was being sane. This just makes that much easier for them to seek the death penalty. God I swear this country is full of half brained intolerate idiot's who don't know a d\*\*\* thing about how things work in the legal system. To everyone saying 'OMG HOW CAN YOU PUBLISH THIS YOU SCUM NEWSPAPER' if you don't like it, buy another paper, no one is forcing to read it!!!

Bette Iden

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Freedom of the press is why The Rep printed this story. No one forced anyone to read it or comment on it. I do not read every story printed, but someone else might want to read it. What would you say if something you thought was important happened and it was not reported on because someone deemed it not news? I feel so much sympathy for the ex-wife and the rest of the family, but they are going to have this in the news every day when he goes on trail. I pray God gives them the strenght they need for the rest of this ordeal.

asilcat

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I'm not surprised about the story, I'm surprised the Rep has allowed anyone comment on it.

ini1

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Mr. Religious must not have heard of the 'THOU SHALT NOT KILL' commandment from God! I think he is preparing his mental status to avoid what he deserves!!! And about that blonde thing---he was an ugly smirky blonde in the court videos---and that was NOT a year ago! This rancid piece of garbage should rot in hell!!! NOTHING he could conger up in a letter ustifies what he did!!!! NEVER WILL!!! He is a thorn in life that should be plucked and I want to see that happen. James fammone---you are a heartless murdering bastard posing as a human and NO excuses will attone for what you have done!!

uperpuppie

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Of course this whole affair is the works of a sicko influenced by Satan. An abomination unto society, family and most of all god! Unfortunately these same evil, ugly scenarios are imagined by those who have a broken heart more often than not. Most of us repress such scenarios, but unfortunately a few who are ignored or refuse to get medical help actually carry out the ugliness of their thoughts. Sometime down the road the hurt and pain of the seperation will wane and dissipate venyually. In the meantime it is obvious the he will be convicted and possibly sent to death. Once death has come the



condemned mans pain comes to an end, however a sentence of life without parole and the pain goes on for a lifetime. If I were in his situation, I would beg for the death penalty ASAP!

tom n lou

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Yep....he really makes alotta sense. Nothing like standing up for marriage and condemning divorce.

Fry this guy IMMEDIATELY.....

Superpuppie

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I doubt that that pic is a year old. If you will recall, he had the same smirk on his face while his eyes searched the courtroom in an attempt to locate his wife. It is/was the same smirk!!!!!!

d moore

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I don't see anything wrong with the Rep publishing this letter. I wanted to know what was going on in this mans head, I couldn't understand how anyone could do this to their children, this letter doesn't excuse his crime by any means and I think the general public needs to know just what kind of nuts are out there and what their thinking. It's scary.

jco76

2 months ago

Report Abuse

While I think this case is very sad and disturbing I would not go so far as saying the Canton Rep did anything wrong by publishing the letter. Freedom of the press is one of the liberties we have in he US. No different than publishing of the Son of Sam letters sent to the media in 1977. People have the right to choose not to read it.

Ktotherizoll

2 months ago

Report Abuse

...the morning your children 'lost their lives'??? They didn't 'lose their lives' - YOU MURDERED THEM.

TellingDad

2 months ago

Report Abuse

jdawg987, I totally agree with Freedom of the Press but with that comes responsibility. I'm not saying they shouldn't have published it from a censorship view, I'm saying they shouldn't have published it from a decency view. I don't consider myself a moron for urging them to have some restraint. Some things don't need to be read and all this does is inflict more pain, which is precisely what this monster wants. The Canton Rep was his mouthpiece and they chose shock value over responsible journalism.

Our local paper had the same thing happen when a killer wrote to them. They printed a few excerpts and said they wouldn't post the letter out of respect for the families. That isn't censorship and newspapers do have a choice. It's just my opinion that they made the wrong one...moronic or not.

LNYoung

2 months ago

Report Abuse

For the first time in awhile i think everyone agrees that printing this letter was very poor judgement ...i really don't care what this man has to say...obviously he is very mentally ill.

taxedtoomuch

2 months ago

Report Abuse

This trash should never have been published. Once again, the Repository is showing itself to be a rag.

The death penalty is too good for this dirtbag.

trevor

2 months ago

Report Abuse

see what religion did to this guy?

It mad him sick. all though thats not any religion. There's nothin spiritual here either, or Satanism for that matter.

May be witchcraft or wizardry cult?

starting too feel ill so im done thinking about this

dane

2 months ago

Report Abuse

While I think this is a horrible situation and terrible for Marci and her family to live out, the Rep has a RESPONSIBILITY to report what is NEWS. It is a freedom we are given...would you want the Rep to start censoring very story written? What if it is a religious matter, or a racial matter both are very sensitive subjects, so maybe we shouldn't read about those either. It

is not up to Don Detore to determine what should or shouldn't be written because someone might be upset, this isn't trash... it is information vital to a local news story

theame19

2 months ago

Report Abuse

For as despicable as James Mammone is, and for as horrid were his actions, this stunt of submitting this letter is a stroke of evil genius. In fact, I am wondering if he thought of this on his own.

What do I mean?

As some of you have correctly stated, many times when a scumbag criminal is incarcerated they suddenly, miraculously find God, religious salvation and a newfound outlook on life. Usually, I'd say based on past experience having worked in the Corrections Field, about 98% of these newfound spiritual findings are done, conveniently I might add, right around the time they are to face either a Parole Hearing, sentencing, or the beginning of trial.

It should also be interesting to note that about all of these new children of God seem to forget their newly found spiritualistic outlook on life about 30 seconds after they're released from prison, their trials are over and once they've received the results of their parole hearings.

What Mammone is trying to do here is sway people to think he murdered his children because of his devout religious convictions that the world is such a cesspool for children of divorce that they were better off dead than alive.

He's nuts!

You're right!

Then why do this?

Because he is rolling the dice and hoping to garnish sympathy, reaching out hoping that either some misguided religious group or anti-Capital Punishment organization will lobby to keep him from receiving the lethal injection he so richly deserves.

All he needs to do is generate attention to his cause. Trust me, I've seen similar situations many times. If you keep making noise about your cause, eventually someone will hear you.

Next thing you know some activist group will get involved, brings with them a far more talented attorney that he already has who will defend him Pro Bono and do everything he can to keep the needle out of his arm.

I swear on everything I hold dear that he fails miserable and faces the justice that he deserves, but I think I know what he is planning.

Cal

2 months ago

Report Abuse

The Rep printed this letter but what I would like to know is how many letters from inmates and disturbed people the Rep chooses not to print and why? One thing for sure, analyze and criticize some local politicians and your comments will not be on line very long.

dlewis249

2 months ago

Report Abuse

How many of you complaining about the story and letter being published, read every last word of it? I bet all most all of you.

redgal

2 months ago

Report Abuse

It is disgusting that the Rep would allow this murderer the opportunity to explain why he butchered his children. I hope Mr. Mammone feels better now that he was able to get this off his chest. I would also like to thank Mr. Mammone for giving us a lesson in morality and the effects of divorce on children. Thankfully when my parents divorced my dad didnt feel that stabbing me to death was the 'best thing' for me. By the way, just because you are able to do something (like print this letter) doesn't mean that you should! I guess those of you defending the freedom of the press forgot about freedom of speech..that's the part where those of us that don't agree are allowed to speak our minds as well, maybe without being called names? Oh, but I guess you must be democrats!

Seven28

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I am completely disgusted Repository. Does no one there have any compassion at all??? I cannot believe you published this and gave him EXACTLY what he wanted. As someone who knows the family and has seen the aftermath, shame on you. There is absolutely no reason this needed to be published. This is not censorship, or giving the people what they feel they are obligated to knowing, it is about being human and thinking about how the family feels. The police and people involved



in legal action are the only ones that needed to know this. We all know he will get what he deserves.

goodoledays

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Though I believe the letter should not have been published (and I would not have done so if it were my decision); unfortunately the Rep had the right to do so.

I have chosen not to read the letter. It's my choice, and I don't care or want to know what Mammone was thinking. There is absolutely nothing that can justify his actions.

Trevor - 'see what religion did to this guy'. No, religion did not do anything to him; he's obviously trying to set the stage for an insanity defense. Remarks like that are better left kept to one's self. If you don't have a faith, that's your choice, but do not lump those that do in with this man.

ninil

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Yes - I believe in freedom of speech - however - I hope that all of this 'publicity' doesn't give cause for a 'change in venue'!!!!

To me—it certainly does not help in keeping the trial here where it belongs!! So- Rep—still think it's a good print?

Superpuppie

2 months ago

Report Abuse

REDGAL, In your last sentence, I think the word you were looking for is 'LIBERAL' Not DEMOCRAT!

Real Democrats look upon Liberals with the same contempt and scorn as the conservatives do.

siobhan

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Although I am a firm believer in Freedom of speech, I am also a believer in journalistic integrity, which this paper has shown none of. This was inappropriate and inconsiderate. I believe this paper has lost many readers after today.

jewels1078

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Wow. I agree that the Rep had the right to publish this, due to Freedom of Speech, but I don't agree with their decision to do so. I realize it's NEWS but it was disrespectful to the family, plain & simple. There's no denying that. And unfortunately, as one person already pointed out, when the trial comes, it will just get worse. Remember how much coverage the Cutts' trial received?

redbulldog

2 months ago

Report Abuse

It's obvious this sicko is trying to plant the seed in people's minds that he's insane and therefore not legally responsible.

He's hoping to avoid the death penalty. When the crime was committed, he said he wanted to hurt his wife as much as possible. Now he's trying to counteract that. This is a case in which the death penalty is too good for him. He shouldn't be on death row; he should be in the general population of a prison for the rest of his miserable life, with the rest of the prisoners knowing exactly what he did. There may not be enough justice in this lifetime for this guy, but I'd like to see him made miserable for a long, long time and not in the relative protection of death row.

Angela55

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I cancelled my subscription. Disgusting!! The Rep is bottomfeeders. I ask that you, the readers, boycott and cancel your subscription. You owe the Eakin family a huge apology. I am shock you did not print photos of the crime scene-wait maybe that is in tomorrow's paper.

supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Posting a letter from a murderer is not freedom of speech, it is messing with the legal process. This letter could've been turned over to the prosecutors and used against him in the trial and not used against him in the media. How many jurors are they going to be able to find that can be partial after reading this?

WE are the voice of Canton, not that of a murderer. We can support the Eakin family and other victims of domestic violence by not allowing the abusers to continue to abuse. I know I will not be supporting the Repository from here on out. This isn't news, this is abuse to the victims and the friends and family of the victims.

Let's not forget that James Mammone was put on probation a year before these murderers (for domestic violence!) and was court ordered to go to counseling. He is sane people! What he did was insane. And has forever changed this community. Let's stand together as a community and support the Eakins! Cancel your subscription to this drivel. The justice system failed Marci and her family over a year ago, and now we must find a way to support her.

God bless!

uperdare

months ago

**Report Abuse**

Theame - you are exactly right! And that is exactly what James is trying to accomplish, next i am sure they will try for not guilty by insanity. This man was not insane. He planned this, and carried it out.

I don't blame the rep in any way for publishing this, I just hope that the public does not allow his publicity stunts to allow him ANY kind of reprieve in court.

Jackattack

2 months ago

**Report Abuse**

To all of you criticizing the Repository for printing this do NOT know what in the hell you're talking about. Quite frankly, you're clueless, so please stop acting like you have a clue.

Mammone writing a Letter To the Editor is no different than one of you clueless criticizers writing one to the paper for whatever reason (and I'm sure many of you fools will write on). Your reasoning is obvious -- because this guy committed a vicious crime that he shouldn't have his letter published? If you truly believe that, then you need to check yourself big time.

And for those of you questioning 'what about the family's feelings' -- umm -- did you read the article? The families WERE contacted. The paper told them what they were planning. If some of you fools knew how to read, you would notice the date on the letter.

No wonder some of you live in Canton. You're clearly not smart enough to live anywhere else. This guy wrote a letter to the Editors admitting what he did. His admissions has now been made public. Someone earlier posted a comment questioning his attorneys. That poster, again just proves my point about someone of you not being smart enough to be able to live anywhere else. His lawyers can not stop him from writing a letter like this. Some of you on here are really, really uneducated. Your comments prove it. This letter just saved the need for a trial. The Prosecutors aren't going to comment, but they're most likely saying 'Thank You for the slam-dunk case'.

As others pointed out -- for those of you complaining -- NOTHING WAS MANDATING YOU TO READ THIS! You could've ignored it. But you didn't. So shut it and stop complaining.

buckeyematt

2 months ago

**Report Abuse**

To all who are complaining: Did someone force you to read the article? The story took up 2 pages, there are 28 more page you can read. If you read it online, you clicked on it. Complain how ridiculous it was to publish the story, but yet you took the time to read it.

Mary V Parker

2 months ago

**Report Abuse**

I'm probably the #1 critic of the Repository, their choices, their endorsements, their staff and their lack of censoring and pulling obnoxious comments, and their lack of sensitivity. However, I have to be on their side on this one. No one is forced to read any article, especially those they think are in bad taste or offensive.

How many that think this is so terrible of the Repository, read the article AND, read the letter? If you thought it was in such bad taste, why in the world did you read it?

The Rep is in the news business. Regardless of what we think, it is news when a jerk like this writes a letter to a newspaper after committing such an heinous, sickening crime.

If Bobby Cutts wrote a 'tell all' letter, saying what exactly what happened that dreadful morning, I bet most of you would read it. As much as we despise Bobby, and the crime he committed, we want to know what happened. Who better to tell us than Cutts?

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2 months ago

**Report Abuse**

FREEDOM OF SPEECH,,,MORE LIKE SELECTIVE REPORTING....to date the rep has yet to print a CORRECT PIE CHART on the sales tax increase,,,FRONT PAGE,SUNDAY/DEC.14,08...with that said,one must conclude the REP not only doesn't think,,,DO THEY KNOW HOW TO THINK??? the remaining family has to be horrified by this,,,i read the article,,i will not read the letter,,,PERHAPS IT IS TIME FOR ME TO FAX THE INCORRECT AND CORRECT CHART TO THE AKRON BEACON JOURNAL,after all,freedom of speech-truth in reporting go hand and hand....MR GUAGER,ARE YOU OK WITH THE IMPACT THE LETTER MAY HAVE ON THE FAMILY ????

Jackattack

2 months ago

**Report Abuse**

Mary V Parker:

The difference between Cutts writing a letter today compared to Mammone writing one is that Cutts has already been convicted and sentenced. What he would have to say now is really irrelevant.



What Mammone just did was admit -- to the public -- what he did. The paper should not have NOT published this letter. People criticizing them for doing so do not know what in the heck they're talking about.

jes1222

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I thought in order to get a successful insanity plea, it has to be shown the defendant had no concept of right or wrong when committing the act. Contrary to popular belief, it is very difficult to get an insanity plea. It is obvious, by his letter, he certainly has an understanding of the impact of what he did: murdering three people.

I am glad the Repository published the letter. I thought it was very interesting and makes a good case study. I also believe it is good for the public to know what is on the table and the Repository provided it. The actual letter was published instead of reporting some of the 'facts' in an attempt to sensationalize the event, which seems to be the tendency of our media.

As far as the dude getting publicity, he is going to get it anyway in all of the court proceedings. If anything, if the prosecutor is able to get this letter in court for evidence, which should be easy providing the letter it can be proven he wrote it. The defendant has no expectation of privacy in a letter sent to the news paper so his Constitutional Rights haven't been violated.

Will B

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Everyone is entitled to their own opinion and mine is that I have no problem w/ the Rep publishing this. It looks like they did their due diligence to confirm the authenticity of the letter. It's news. End of story in my mind. While I agree it's certainly painful to the family I also think that can't factor into the decision. If it did where would the line be drawn? The Rep is never going to report a violent crime again?

sycchiki

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I am never using cantonrep.com anymore, and I am also cancelling my subscription. This is in AWFUL taste. Where is your compassion for the victims of this tragic affair..?

Grandpa\_D

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I don't condemn the paper for printing the story. I wanted to know what the heck this guy was thinking. Too many times you read a story and never heard the 'what was that person thinking' when they did what they did. In my opinion, if he felt he had to 'kill' someone, he should have just taken out the 'ex' and left the kids with Grandma.

mary v parker

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Jackattack. Hi, although Cutts has been convicted and sentenced, we still don't know what happened that morning. We don't know for sure, if it was deliberate, an accident, a fight, and who initiated it. Some might say, 'I don't care how it happened, it happened!' I would like to know if he went there to kill her, or an argument ensued and got out of hand. So I would read a letter where he told exactly what transpired. It is revelant to me, and probably a lot of others. There are many parents out there, who's child was killed by a boyfriend, husband, stranger, who still want answers, and want to know the WHAT'S and WHY'S of what happened, even though the culprit is incarcerated.

l8rg8r

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Wow, if anyone questioned his sanity before.... that cat's out of the bag. How sad that no one was able to diagnosed and treat his obvious mental illness.

cdillard

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I don't think Mammone is insane at all. He with full knowledge and awareness of his own actions, murdered his children. And admittedly, he then drove all the way over to his mother-in-law's house to exact vengeance. He knew what he was doing, it was premeditated, it was murder and I hope he gets the death penalty. His ramblings are no different than any of the ramblings of say, terrorists, aka religious fanatics.

ackattack

1 months ago

Report Abuse

Yes -- you were exactly correct! There is no insanity pleading here. None!

This letter can easily be admitted into evidence with a simple handwriting sample/test that the Prosecutors could motion the court for. Or get his writing sample from other stuff he's written that's probably on file somewhere.

There is no valid reason why this should be moved out of Stark County. Asking for a Change Of Venue should be denied since the ACCUSED MADE THE DECISION ON HIS OWN FREE WILL to write that letter to the paper. And the 'I didn't think they'd print it' is not a valid argument either.

ackattack



2 months ago  
Report Abuse

Will B -- very well said as well. Good point about reporting violent crimes -- or any crime. I guess there's nothing more to print since a story will 'offend' someone's family.

john durkin  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I cant even read this article to comment on it...

Grouch  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

"liberals" .... "democrats" ..my question is-----what the H--- does your political persuasion have to do with this story???

rg1442  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I'm glad I live in a country where the press has the right to freely publish news, however; this story is sickening and although the 1st amedment gives the writer of this story the ability to publish it, that doesn't mean it is a good idea to do so.

I think the depth of this man's disturbance is clearly evident by the nature of his crime and behavior afterwards. The letter being publish was poor judgement in my opinion.

Val  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I did not read the letter and don't plan to...the raving of a lunatic holds no interest for me.

What does interest me are the comments posted.  
Quite a reaction and I hope the Rep lets them stand.

Kamikaze  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

Some very good points were made both here and in the letter. The CSEA criminalizes fathers, hides under the spectar of protecting children, when in fact their only concern is to take as much money as they possibly can. The courts routinely side in favor of mothers no matter what is shown.

HOWEVER, this guy ends by saying he will be with god? Really? After all his self righteous babble about god's laws, he breaks one of the biggest... Thou shalt not kill. How does he justify that? He cops to it, says it was wrong and his god will forgive him and allow him to repent, and enter his heaven? Yes, it was interesting to see into the mind of an extremist. This guy is no better than the jihadist muslim extremists that believe they will get 70 virgins by blowing christians up.

But running the story on the first day of school, as the mother tries to piece back her life? Seriously? We could have waited a few months to learn what was in this guys mind. This was not a chance for a 'scoop'. I am sure he is quite pleased with himself this morning.

AliceRenee  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I am completely disgusted with this. I am ashamed of The Repository, this sickens me... as if the family has not been through enough, The repository thinks its an awesome idea to put this in here. Never will I buy this, I am sickened by this.

kdn447  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

This is sick. I couldn't stand to read the article or the letter.

But when his book is released, there will be hordes of imbeciles camping overnight on the sidewalk outside the booksellers, dying to get a copy. And the publishers will surely want to use his smirking, crazed picture to put on the cover, because that's what the imbeciles WANT.

It is nauseating that he is given a forum like this to MOCK all the people involved in the prosecution who lie awake in horror at night and GAG having to pour over all the gory details.

supporting the Eakins  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse  
Jackattack,

You're the one who has no clue. The family was not told what was in the letter when they were notified yesterday. Why wasn't this letter better off with the prosecutors? Instead, the Repository let Mr. Mammone mentally abuse Marci yet again! We must stop the cycle of abuse and support the victims of domestic violence. Please stop acting like you know what you are

talking about, because you do not! You know what you've read, that's it. There is far more to the story, my dear friend. You are completely off base!

CoachG007

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Very unprofessional & a lack of good judgment. Yes, everyone has the right to free speech but this goes beyond that. This could jeopardize this case. Why not just turn the letters over to the authorities & then print once the case is over? Will the Rep print future letters from other inmates saying why they murdered, raped or robbed someone? I would think not but who knows after seeing this. Maybe they can have a special section just for those letters & run it every Tuesday. I bet the advertisers would jump all over that. Yea Right! I think they just hurt themselves with readers & advertisers. I think they may have gotten into a hornets nest on this one. The family is well respected & loved & the community will stand behind them. I hope the Rep offers an apology for this mistake!

goodoledays

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Jackattack: Did you call this family and personally speak with them? If so, did they tell you they feel that this is NOT disrespectful? .....that this does not hurt them in any way?

The need for you to keep repeating that everyone here does not know what they are talking about and that they are clueless is rather annoying at this point. So, since you seem to have all of the answers, please enlighten us would you?

redgal

2 months ago

Report Abuse

superpuppie: I apologize! :)

rwenger

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Tacky. For sure. My heart goes out to the family.

Average Reader

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Looks like I will be explaining to my children tonight (who read the paper during school as part of social studies in a Christian school) that their loving father, although we are divorced would never do such a thing. Do we need to put a parental rating on the newspaper for content that is appropriate for children??

The letter should have been turned over to police (there is no way to validate that it is in fact written in his hand), if this is how he felt and his true motives, then it would have come out with the details of the trial and WHO will be covering that??? I am sure it will be the Rep of course, so they would have gotten their story either way...bad timing and a little graphic detail. Thanks for making me address something that is a little TMI for my children to read in graphic detail.

CoachG007

2 months ago

Report Abuse

JackAttack, read rule 4 please! Have your opinion but please don't bash others for theirs. I am personal friends with the family & they are distraught over this. Please back off, you are being disrespectful.

kdn447

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Look where the wholesome activity story rank's in the current 'Recent Stories' list. That tells everything about how the news is sold.

#### RECENT STORIES:

Canton crime reports for Aug. 25 (08/25/09)

Two men arrested with stolen car, one accused of stealing cigarettes (08/25/09)

Pot growing operation blamed for house fire; 70 plants confiscated (08/25/09)

Police raid Canton apartment, arrest man accused of cooking crack cocaine (08/25/09)

11 homeless inmate charged with felony after spitting on deputies (08/25/09)

Mammone in letter: Killing his children was 'the most merciful thing' (08/25/09)

Women football players teach skills to girls (08/25/09)

Overloaded electric circuits cause fire on Bedford Avenue SW (08/24/09)



Jackson officials finalize economic development deal with Canton (08/24/09)

Firefighters union files grievances against Canton (08/24/09)

kdn447

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Oops . . . meant to type 'ranks' without apostrophe.

c-town330

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Can the mother-in-law and children write a letter? NO, so either should he. This is sickening that the rep chose to print his 'explanation' of murder!!

G 1

2 months ago

Report Abuse

NOTE TO JACK,,,call me a fool,THAT IS YOUR RIGHT,,however i am ON MY MACHINE,IN MY HOUSE AND EVERY ROOM IS CLEAN..may i add i am a grandfather and have not lived with my folks for well over 35 years...also i know 1st hand the pain of loosing a child..the pain never goes away..i was merely pointing out that THE REP does have a problem with proper journalism...now if you would kindly stick to the rules here i would appreciate it...WHY DEVALUE YOUR OPINION????

marciacomshaw

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Well, if this was the case, then let us show him the same mercy. Save the taxpayers money, support swift justice.

Superpuppie

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Redgal:

An all too common misconception.

Apology accepted!

Have a nice day!

daisy1999

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I commend The Repository for submitting this letter....they are doing their job for goodness sake. The headline was perfectly clear....those of you who are 'upset' didn't have to read it! If it weren't for The Repository in the first place, no one would've known about this tragedy or about the beautiful, community vigil held for the deceased children and mother. So, basically, you would like to pick and choose what the Rep should report?? I say this is pretty big NEWS and after all....this is a NEWSPAPER....I wish it could always be GOOD news that was reported, but unfortunately that's not the way it works. Back off and watch Nickelodeon if you're not happy with the Reps reports!!!

graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

How in the world can he admit his guilt both in statements and this letter, yet plead not guilty at the same time? Where is the sense in that?

His claims are absolutely ridiculous. He murdered his children to spare them the agony of a divorce? Why not let them live and allow them to have their own lives? I think this new stance is nothing more than a plan. The murders were likely done in pure anger ,not to 'spare' anyone of anything. I feel terrible for the mother who first had to deal with the killing of her children and her mother ,and now has to put up with this nonsensical explanation.

His picture on the front page is disturbing. He looks proud to be there, as if the murder was something he was more than happy to be a part of. PLEASE give him the death penalty. Eliminate the chance of him ever setting foot outside of the prison walls ,though I'm sure he'll never have the opportunity. Some people don't deserve any sympathy. Let his last meal be a plate of raw, bloody meat. If he doesn't want it , he'll go to his death a hungry man.

I personally don't mind the letter being published, but I can see why some are infuriated by the decision.

coreaveJRM

1 months ago

Report Abuse

Good job Rep printing this letter. Keep up the good work. I'll bet the ones complaining read this letter before they read anything else. I wonder how many got rid of the Rep when Susan Smith drowned her 2 beautiful children.

cdillard

1 months ago

Report Abuse

I think we all would like to wipe that smirk off his face. A lethal injection should do the trick.  
supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

Report Abuse

What on earth does Susan Smith have to do with this? I'm sorry, did she write some sort of letter directly to the Rep that I missed? The point here is this is NOT news. We already received the news when the murders were reported on starting June 8th. Did we learn anything different or new? I'm sure we already figured out he was crazy before we read his crazy words. I think the Eakin family was gracious enough to allow a Rep reporter at the funeral (the only reporter) and this is how the Repository repays this family for that 'news'. The Rep didn't return the professional courtesy and give the grieving family a chance to read these words before they were printed. Many families get to grieve in private. We have to realize that this family is forced to grieve in public because we all know what happened. It is not up to the community to decide how they grieve, but rather just support them in their grief. It is not fair that they have been forced and given no choice about the publishing of this letter. Let's stick to the news and not the rantings of the murderer that is only for the benefit of emotionally abusing his ex-wife. That is allowing the circle of violence to continue. Help break the circle and continue supporting this family!

Glide

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Just remember... Its YOU the jury that will decide his fate !!!!!

supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Heres Johnny...are you serious? You're blaming the victim? Nice.

Jackattack

2 months ago

Report Abuse

@Coach, while I understand the family is torn up over this -- and people do have their opinion, but they also open their opinion up for attack when they post their ignorant opinion in public for all to see and respond.

If the Repository got this letter and never printed, the same people criticizing the paper today would be criticizing them as well -- especially if Mammone didn't get convicted like they wanted him to.

The point is, the Repository was NOT out of line printing this letter since they validated it and had very strong reason to believe it came from him. If they didn't think it did in the slightest, they wouldn't have printed it. They, most likely, ran this through their attorneys at the paper before going to print with this as well.

RUBENSMOM

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Shame on you, Repository for giving this psychopath the opportunity to voice his opinions as to why he committed this horrible crime. You should've called the Canton PD the moment the letters arrived and ridded yourselves of such evilness and not give this lunatic a platform for his agenda. Remember, that by publishing this trash, you've given Mammone power that he certainly doesn't deserve and I certain he is enjoying the ego trip and you've given more grief to the Eakin family. I will be cancelling my subscription today.

Jackattack

2 months ago

Report Abuse

@Supporting the Eakins -- give me a break.

This guy sealed his own fate with this letter. Should they have held onto it until AFTER the verdict was read? What would your reaction -- and others -- be if he wasn't sentenced the way you thought he should have for whatever reason. Then it came out that the Rep. had this letter from him that they were sitting on for months.

The Repository was not out of line by printing this. No disrespect to the victim's family, but they are NOT the only victims of crimes in Canton.

Jackattack

2 months ago

Report Abuse

@Average Reader,

Why would the school read this particular article to your kids? Your outraged over the decision of The Repository to print this, but yet you're OK with the school reading this gruesome letter to your kids?

You can't be serious.

jime

2 months ago

Report Abuse

The man said he did all this so get his a-- in court and let him confess then take directly to the old Oak tree for his just due.



robertangelo  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

To all of you blasting the Rep and canceling subscriptions, you apparently read it frequently enough to see all the these follies and have taken the time to register a username so as to leave your comments here. However, it seems odd to me that if this is such a constant inferior news source, how do all of you know it, and why do you keep on reading it? Nobody is putting a gun to your head forcing you to read it. How's the old saying go, 'fool me once shame on you, fool me twice shame on me'? Last I checked the same constitution that allows its citizens to bearer arms, also allows for freedom of the press, and this paper did exactly that, they informed the community about news worthy information.

graham79  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I highly doubt anyone in this area will be called upon to be in the jury. I'd suggest the death penalty quicker than he can say 'the devil made me do it'. Regardless of his horrific crimes, he'll be given a fair trial ,as unfortunate at that is.

His lawyer surely has their work cut out for them. The only thing they could likely do would be to push for life in prison without parole. If he's now stating that he killed them as some kind of twisted protection, then that should be seen as a sort of premeditation. If you're sane enough to kill with a plan then you're sane enough to make the insanity plea not an option.

jenny p  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I also don't understand why all the anger at The Repository. When it comes to tragic cases, the writers at The Repository always seem to show the public that they too have been impacted as the rest of the community grieves. According to the legal definition of insanity, I don't consider Mammone to be insane. Writing this letter in an attempt to make excuses for the murder of his children and the obvious disregard for the severity of his actions including his killing Margaret shows that, in my opinion.

redgal  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

There is a huge difference between reporting both sides of a tragic story and giving the MURDERER a platform to ramble on and actually give a 'reason' for killing his kids. It is ridiculous to think that printing his letter was somehow newsworthy. Simply reporting that the letter was recieved and the basic gist of it would have been more than enough! Save this family some heartache for god's sake, you CAN report the news and still show compassion for the victims of one of the most horrifying crimes I can think of!

redeemyourselfnow  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

This guy sounds like an egomaniac that is to blame for his own broken home.

I'm very surprised the rep let comments on this.

doncirelli  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

I suspect Mr. Mammone's attorney went out of his mind when he picked up the paper this morning. Mammone is cooking his own goose. He might think he is going to get some kind of insanity defense with this, but he does not know the law in Ohio.

Certainly, anyone who would kill his own children and mother-in-law is not 'normal', but one can be quite abnormal and still qualify as legally sane in this state. The bar for legal insanity is too high for Mr. Mammone to make it. He won't get an insanity defense. There isn't a jury in America who won't find him guilty and give him the death penalty.

jenny p  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

Let's remember that Marcia was married to this man for almost 11 years. I would hardly say she was some 'girl who messed with his head'. Let's leave the judgment at the door. We don't know the story, but we do know that there was absolutely no excuse for his actions.

May the memory of Macy, James IV and Margaret bring the Mammone and Eakin families comfort .

burns2  
1 months ago  
Report Abuse

I agree jenny p. This isn't our judgment call on what occurred in that marriage or behind closed doors. Legally, what I would like to see is the man get the death penalty and the next day put the needle in his arm. No appeals, no public housing, no free medical/dental care, no free education, no free meals, and no more free paper/pencils. He clearly admits to these crimes and he had his reasons. I hope the criminal justice process does not pay for his defense out of aypayer pockets to later have the puke cry something was unfair in the trial. Like a certain somebody else is doing. I don't understand when these people confess their crimes, why are they allowed to continue to breathe air? I k now, it's the aw and blah blah blah.....

for one thank the Rep for printing this letter. If it causes a problem for this puke getting a fair trial in this city, that's his



problem. He wants an audience, the Rep gave him one.

David

supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Jackattack....where did you read in anything I read that I wanted the Rep to conceal this letter? As I have said, it would've been best turned over to the prosecutors. What does printing it have to do with helping prosecute him? Don't put words into my mouth that weren't there. Give ME a break! geesh.

You say no disrespect to their family but it is clear you don't care how the family feels. Well, I do. How many families do YOU know that have been victims of a triple homicide? This wasn't a car accident. This is a very real thing that they are dealing with. You obviously don't have have clue. So, don't act like you do.

supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Jackattack, in regards to your reponse to coach, the Eakin Family hasn't put any of their opinions out for the public to see. They have not made any public appearances, nor held any press conferences, nor sent any letters to the Repository. Any and all comments have either been made through their lawyer or pastor. How can you attack an opinion that you clearly don't know about? This is the community standing by the Eakin Family because we are appalled that they were subjected to this in this sort of cruel manner.

jcflowers

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I understand you all are upset, but take a step back.....did you all read it? Yes you did! That is what a paper is for to give you information that you would otherwise not know. We as a society love drama.....I bet you all read the crimes section of the paper too. I personally wanted to hear his side because I couldn't understand what could drive a person to kill their own children. I am not saying he was right or just but it helps a little to understand what happened that morning. The mother shouldn't have ignored the text messages he was sending. She should have called the police then. Again that doesn't excuse what he did. I do think he deserves the death penalty.

TellingDad

2 months ago

Report Abuse

'Stop making vows to God that you arent (willing) to keep!'

...Ah, such as 'thou shall not kill'. This monster is total slime. To blame Marci and say she didn't do enough to protect the kids is ludicrous. Translation? She chose not to put up with his proven abuse any longer. Staying away from him WAS protecting the children. The courts led them back to their slayer. I hope he rots and I hope the Canton Rep won't publish his next letter.

No doubt he's basking in this and more encouraged than ever to continue to write. The media needs to siphon off his conduit to the decent community up until the time they siphon off his oxygen.

4America

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I don't know what affect, if any, his self-serving letter will have on his trial. Clearly, however, this man is intelligent and extremely narcissistic. He probably has a lot of the same personality traits of other sociopathic murderers. The murders of his children and Mrs. Eakin were clearly premeditated. May God bless and care for the ones left behind.

HeresJohnny

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Confucious say: Before you embark on a journey of revenge dig two graves.

angelamomma

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Thank you and I agree with Mary v Parker. I would like to know why murderers commit the crimes they do. I personally have been thru this and have unanswered questions as to why my daughter and son were murdered. yes, I know it hurts the family to see this in the paper and I am truly sorry for them. but atleast this jerk cannot get off on an insanity plea now, he knew exactly what he was doing...I will keep the family in my thoughts and prayers.

Mary v Parker

2 months ago

Report Abuse

It's kind of funny to read all these folks saying they're canceling their subscriptions. Apparently you read it on line anyway, so what's that cancellation going to prove? You think the Rep cares about your \$1.75 per week? I doubt it. I doubt that most even have a subscription. It's probably just a matter of time before they cancel you, as they will probably do away with the hard copy soon anyway.

The way to protest this letter is not to read it. I bet curiosity got the best of most, and they read it, even while screaming about the Rep printing it.



graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Surely the letter should carry some kind of weight. It basically states that he had a clear reason why he murdered them. Therefore, he had a plan. How could that be denied?

Some people will try and justify anything.

Bronwyn

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I believe in freedom of the press totally! I also believe that certain newspapers abuse this freedom to further their own greed. What is popular is not always right, and what is right is not always popular! I'm certain this paper has not made the right choice allowing this to be printed. You don't have to buy the trash that prints these stories; you can always choose a different paper with the public interest in mind! Most businesses make decisions based on the bottom line, hit them where it hurts most! Buy another paper! Don't waste your money or time on something that you disagree with! You do not have to buy it, hence you will not be supporting the reporter who publishes this trash and they will be forced to print stories/news that has the public interest. Your dollars print the stories! Make your choice known!

tspeed1

2 months ago

Report Abuse

The rep is a news source providing news, they did not murder anyone, they do not commit crimes, they just report them. Without news, if you do not like it, then get the hell off this site so your dumb comments do not waste my time and space. You are the same people that love reality T.V, you love seeing people's lives ruined, you make it part of your daily gossip, if you didn't love smut, you wouldn't listen to your glorious radio shows, watch T.V, or even read newspapers. The rep loves it, keep the comments coming. They do not need you, they have been around for years and will continue to be around.

karenp

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I am appalled! You have played right into the hands of a insane murderer! Just what Mammone wanted...front page headlines and all the attention upon himself! This guy is so sick and you want to glorify him by making him a headliner! Why didn't you call the prosecutor or the Eakin's lawyer before the decision was made to publish the letter? A small blurb on an inside page just saying that you received a letter but were not making the contents public because of the upcoming trial would have been more than adequate. You TRIED to reach the Eakin family? Was this story and its front page headlines so earth shaking that it had to be told immediately before you got in touch with this family? Do you not have any empathy for the family of Marg, Macy and James? Their hurt goes way deeper than one can ever imagine. I am so ashamed of the hometown paper! Thanks folks, this time you overstepped all boundaries of decency! The next headlines had better be an apology to the Eakin family, to the court of law and to the community. Think before you act!

supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Mary, apparently the Rep does care about subscriptions. Would they call your house, solicit door to door, and sit in front of the grocery stores if they didn't? They try to hard to get new business and they just lost hundreds of existing subscriptions today. I do believe that is going to hurt their business as well as their reputation. They were pleaded with NOT to print this. You don't think it's even a little cruel that a daughter and husband had to read how Margaret was savagely murdered from the words of the murderer himself? To me that is exactly opposite of what tspeed1 had to say. If you are for this type of journalism then those are the people watching what you would call smut TV. Not the people who would rather spare those close to the situation from having to live this nightmare through the words of the murderer. If this is wasting your time and space then take your time and space somewhere else. This is what the majority of the community is feeling right now. You either support the Eakins, or you don't. So, if you don't, then just move on to a cause you feel is worthy. Because we are here to support the Eakins as well as other victims of domestic violence. We want to break the cycle. Not give the abusers a free ticket to continue the abuse. This is clearly a way to mentally abuse Marci and her family from behind bars. And the Repository let it happen. Very sad. I guess abuse comes in all shapes and sizes.

bettyr47

2 months ago

Report Abuse

There is nothing Mammone can ever say that will justify what he did. I believe this letter of his was totally self-serving, just another way to get to his ex-wife. Someone else said he was intelligent and extremely narcissistic, I also believe this. I also think this letter had nothing to do with his children; if he actually cared about his children they would still be alive. He blames his children's murders on divorce, well he is the only one to blame. Even though the Rep. had every right to print this letter, I don't believe there was anything newsworthy about it. I do not plan to cancel my subscription, but please stop letting him torture this family and claim it is news. In my opinion Mammone was smart enough to get the Rep. to take part in his plot of continual harassment of Marci. God be with this family

peermancm

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Thank you Rep for printing Mammone's letter. After reading the letter I truly realize what a sick individual he is. May he be



put to death soon.

socal\_mrs

2 months ago

Report Abuse

We didn't need the letter to know this man was sick! Marci has been through enough! I suppose the Rep made some more money off this event. Hope they are pleased with themselves. Never thought the morals of Southern California's media that would ever beat out the beloved midwestern city that I grew up in. The ongoing joke in my household in my teen years was calling the Rep, the Canton Suppository. Finally, I understand my dad's joke. Thanks for tainting Canton, Rep. Maybe my family and I will move to my husband's home state of Texas. At least they have an express lane for the death penalty there.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

Report Abuse

It's pretty appalling to read here how many people do not understand First Amendment rights. It is not the Repository's job to print happy stories and avoid hard news. If Mammone's letter had been ignored and the public learned about it, we'd have people screaming about that.

Mammone was not 'glorified.' He did not help his case one iota by sending it to the Rep. He tanked himself.

ceedee

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Isn't it amazing? He's more worried about what he looked like! Can we say narcissist?

superdare

2 months ago

Report Abuse

On a personal note, this letter truly disturbs me on a deep level since I knew him, and I find it outrageous and hypocritical that James is spouting such false Zealous religious claims for a man who tried to pick up girls that he delivered pizzas to and was in strip clubs 3-4 times a week after work!

The Rep did nothing wrong in printing the letter, and they immediately handed it over when it was requested by authorities. They are collecting this and other communications that will show that James knew exactly what he was doing. James is going to continue to try to get his time in the spotlight and try to get the community to think he is insane or sick. Just don't let him do it!

darcysolon

2 months ago

Report Abuse

The Repository...often referred to as The Suppository, and justifiably so.

Denise O

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Assuming the Rep checked with legal council prior to publishing the letter to ensure that it would not jeopardize the trial, I see nothing wrong with their publishing the letter. The Rep was considerate of those who may not wish to read the entire letter by making it a separate downloadable attachment.

mrj

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Put him in a black bear outfit and let him go. Problem fixed!!

mary v parker

2 months ago

Report Abuse

'supporting the Eakins', regardless of their soliciting subscriptions, the Repository knows that more and more people are reading the news on line. Maybe 'don't care' about cancellations was a bit over the top, but I'll tell you something. I've been reading the Rep for over 50 years, and people have been threatening to cancel their subscriptions in protest of one thing or another for most of those 50 years. Yet, I have never known the Repository to back down from ANYTHING, because of those mostly idle threats. They know they have you by the 'you know what'. They are the only newspaper in town. People have a thing for news, good or bad. They can't live with it and can't live without it..

'You don't think it's even a little cruel that a daughter and husband had to read how Margaret was savagely murdered from the words of the murderer himself? ' Let me tell you one thing Sir/Mam, NO ONE, not even this family is forcing a daughter or husband to read that letter, or the Rep stories on it.. THAT IS THEIR CHOICE.

Please don't think I'm not sympathetic to their heartbreak and loss. I had two brothers and a niece murdered in cold blood right here in Canton, one just a few short years ago. I read the newspaper accounts, I attended all but one of the trials and listened to the testimony from witnesses as well as the coroner's gruesome account of what happened. I looked at pictures of the murder scenes, and I cried. They broke my heart. but I had to see for myself. If their murderers had written a jailhouse letter to the Repository, I would have read that too. I'd want to know 'WHY', why you did this to someone I love. I want to know why you did what you did. I want to be convinced in my mind that the tragedies went down the way the police said they did. They don't always. I didn't want to just assume that everything they said was true. Granted, not everyone can stomach these things, my niece's Mother couldn't. I understood and supported her in that decision. She also chose not to



read the Repository coverage of the events. No one forced her to. Why would anyone read something that they know is going to upset them?

I don't know the Eakin's family's plans, but most families attend the trials of their loved one's murderer. How will they stomach that? Most families even want to attend the execution of that person. How can you sit and watch another person put to death? I couldn't do that. I mean no disrespect to the Eakin family, but the Rep's job is to report the news, not to shield the families. I understood that when my family went through these tragedies.

jenny p

2 months ago

Report Abuse

On top of everything, Mammone's statement 'I assure you all, I looked considerably more melancholy the morning my children lost their lives' is most ridiculous too, since we well remember and have pictures to prove that he was anything but 'melancholy' during his arraignment hearing just two days after his heinous acts.

My prayers continue to be with Marcia, James, family and friends. As Superdare has stated, I also believe this monster wanted to be undetected and knew how to keep his sick objective to himself in the months and weeks culminating in his reprehensible acts.

2loud4u

2 months ago

Report Abuse

EXECUTE, EXECUTE, EXECUTE, EXECUTE, No appeals, no waiting, No holds barred EXECUTE Do not care what his reasoning is or was EXECUTE He killed his own children EXECUTE !!!!!

jefgor24champ

2 months ago

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Mammone=Sadistic Monster

Victims Family=Additional Trauma and Horror

Canton Rep=Tabloid Journalism at its finest.

Boycott the REP!!! Call the editorial personel and let them know that this kind of trash is beneath the history of Canton's only daily.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

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The history? Apparently you don't know the history of the Rep.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

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2loud4u, I know it's tough, but that isnt how the law works. Pehaps you'd find Saudi Arabia more to your liking,, supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

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Well Mary, I guess that's the difference between you and many of the readers right now...that they are not just threatening to cancel their subscriptions, they are actually doing it. You may think it's just idle threats because people have posted they are going to do it, and maybe some actually won't, but many have. If it tells you anything that there were already 70 cancellations by 7:15am yesterday, I am really curious to know how many all day long! It doesn't really matter if they're the only paper in town, because I can live without it. I have for quite awhile and will continue to do so. That's the difference, I don't need the Rep to live my life, but they need customers to keep their business going. In my opinion, even if you cancelled a subscription and only buy it occassionally now, you are still not supporting the Rep like you once were. I think that is still a statement in itself.

You are right, it's everybody's choice on whether or not to read the stories in the paper. But let's think about Marci and her family, you don't think that it tears them apart to know that it is out there for the public to read before they had the choice to read it themselves? Marci doesn't need to assume anything the police told her is true because she knows first hand. As for the trial, however she feels about that now could change between now and then. Again, we are still telling this family how to grieve. You say you understood certain things when your family went through a similar tragedy and it sounds like you think they should understand certain things can and will be done. But if they were killed by a drunk driver there wouldn't be this kind of focus on this. We still need to give them some sort of space and control over their lives. I don't think it was too much to ask that the family have first dibs on reading this letter. And I don't think the family was out of line by asking for it not to be published.

graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

The more I think about this the more sickening I find it. This letter hopefully will serve the purpose of nailing the coffin in the lid of his sentencing. I look forward to hearing of his eventual trial and I certainly hope that he isn't given life in prison. Give him what he earned, an end to his wicked life.

axedtoomuch

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I think we need to follow suit and be 'merciful' to him.

Suzi

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I started reading it and just had to stop after the first page; it made me sick to read his words. Well the Rep played into his hand; his attorney will now say that he won't be able to have a fair jury trial because the Rep printed the letter.

In my opinion, it should not have been printed. It is not news, you know as in NEWSPAPER. This guy needs to be dropped kicked to a remote place on earth, preferable someplace that has big nasty animals and bugs. He doesn't deserve to live. He deserves an awful death.

jenny p

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Actually, his attorneys said they would have advised him not to do this.

canton

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Come on Canton this is news. These are only the people who complain about this. Nobody said anything when Bobby Cutts spilled his guts on the witness stand. This is news. Right or wrong. This is what makes the world go around. I'm sure every employee of the Repository is so sorry that the murders happened but on the other hand this is their livelihood. What would this world be without news? People are of a curious nature. People want to know details. It really is hard to separate the lives of the people and the horrible act that he committed. You can be very saddened by this and it makes you sick but still want to know what happened. Just my opinion

The Murph

2 months ago

Report Abuse

supporting the Eakins

'You are right, it's everybody's choice on whether or not to read the stories in the paper. But let's think about Marci and her family, you don't think that it tears them apart to know that it is out there for the public to read before they had the choice to read it themselves? '

So what you are trying to say is that everything would have been all right if they would have been able to read it first? I don't see how that softens the blow at all.

Checkers

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Look at all the crime dramas that are on cable TV. I guess people are curious about what makes others perform such horrendous acts. I'll watch the local news or read the general news, but I'm not interested in the intricate details like court transcripts, autopsy reports, or letters written by criminals, etc., that one can find on the internet. I know it's available to the public, but I'm not that curious.

goodnewstoday

2 months ago

Report Abuse

One nice thing about knowing how to read is the liberty to decide what one will read. Saw the headline, rejected the presentation as inappropriate and did not read it. Although I agree that the paper made a poor judgement, I, as the intended audience, control my consumption. I know its is sort of like a train wreck; one doesn't want to watch but is almost compelled to do so. Not doing so takes self control but as well renders the writer ineffective in the mission. For me, this accused continues to have no voice.

Jane Montrose

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I for one am glad that the Rep gave me the OPTION to read this letter from someone who seems to be a narcissistic fame whore. But then I work in Law and as another poster stated, it is a fascinating case study. I am curious though why this alleged murderer stated that he killed his children in their sleep when it was reported that the little girl had defensive wounds on her hands. She was not sleeping. She saw her baby brother murdered. As a mom, I find that to be horrific.



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August 26, 2009

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#### Mammone trial jurors to be asked about views on divorce, child custody

Shane Hoover  
CantonRep.com staff writer

Prospective jurors called in the capital murder trial of James Mammone III will be asked their views on divorce and child custody, in addition to their opinions on the death penalty and exposure to pretrial publicity.

Mammone, 35, of Canton appeared Wednesday in Stark County Common Pleas Court. He is charged with aggravated murder and other crimes for the June 8 deaths of his two children, James IV and Macy, and former mother-in-law, Margaret Eakin.

If convicted, he faces the possibility of a death sentence. Mammone's trial is now scheduled for January.

Wednesday's hearing came a day after a jailhouse letter believed to have been written by Mammone was published by The Repository.

The letter wasn't mentioned during the hearing. Judge John G. Haas ruled on several routine defense motions and briefly mentioned the topic of juror questions.

"Every case is unique as to which issues are raised and that is one of the issues in this case," said Stark County Public Defender Tammi Johnson on the issue of juror questions.

Police have said Mammone confessed to the killings, saying he wanted to hurt his ex-wife, Marcia Eakin, following their recent divorce.

The jailhouse letter calls divorce a tool of Satan and states that Mammone killed his children to spare them from the aftermath of divorce.

At the end of the hearing, the judge ordered Mammone to have no contact of any kind with his ex-wife and former father-in-law, James Eakin.

Neither the defense, nor Assistant Stark County Prosecutor Dennis Barr would comment on what prompted the judge to issue the no contact order.

A day earlier, Haas signed an order that no one is to meet or communicate with Mammone without the presence of his attorneys. The order affirms a request made by the defense at the beginning of the case.

Defense attorney Derek Lowry said the orders don't curtail Mammone from sending letters or making phone calls to individuals other than his ex-wife and former father-in-law.

Johnson and Lowry wouldn't discuss whether they'd talked to Mammone about the letter published in the newspaper.

When asked whether the defense is considering an insanity plea, Lowry said it's an option in any case, but wouldn't comment on whether the strategy will be used in this case.

Last week, the court gave the defense \$5,000 to hire a psychologist. Psychologists are commonly hired in death-penalty cases even when an insanity plea isn't pursued.

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**Mammone trial jurors to be asked about views on divorce, child custody (Posted Aug 26, 2009 @ 4:29)**

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Denise O

2 months ago

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Based on the judge's recent order barring Mammone from having contact with his ex-wife and her father, I am guessing the Rep is not the only one to receive some of his letters.

trevor

2 months ago

Report Abuse

what is this man thinking?

why would you want too hurt your kids, Im sorry, I mean kill your kids, over a divorce. this man needs NO sympathy at all. theres kids every day livin with out there father, and some with out a mother too, and doin good. may be he didnt want to pay child support. satan had nothin to do with this at all, if you know any thing about satanism if you would know, IM RIGHT.

If thats what believing in jesus is all about you can keep me out, but i think this man was sick any way, and its a shame that he would be all christiany and about all this.

Im feelin ill, Im done with this

im ur huckleberry

2 months ago

Report Abuse

It's a sad commentary on life that when one might be or is about to meet their maker - they get religion. Where was his religion when he committed these senseless acts? My prayers go to the family and friends of these children and his mother-in-law. His judgment in the hereafter will be far more terrible than any man can mete out.

graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I surely wouldn't have a chance to be a juror in that trial. Even without all of the recent developments with the letter and such, there'd be only one punishment on my mind for him. Let his attorney ramble on for hours about his innocence. It wouldn't change my mind one bit.

This man is pure evil. Give him what he deserves.

theswtone

2 months ago

Report Abuse

And that is exactly whay you wouldn't be picked as a juror because of the fact that you are already airing what your verdict would be. If everybody in the city did that, no one would be able to be picked as a juror, they would have to change the venue....sometimes opinions should be kept to yourself....

supporting the Eakins

2 months ago

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It's hard to not be biased when a lot of the information is getting aired before the trial even begins. How could you possibly not form an opinion about him, let alone keep it to yourself. That's just life I suppose.

motherof2boys

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I don't agree with what he did to his kids or ex-mother-in-law, however, I agree with some of what he wrote in his letter. Divorce is too easy for people. They wake up and decide they want to be with someone else and they don't even try to work on the marriage. Kids are the ones who suffer. Both parents fight back and forth and use the kids on 'bate'. I feel sorry for kids that come from a nasty divorce. It is not about money - but parents on both sides make it that way. Kids do suffer from a divorce and never get over it. Everyone should think before you marry....Its for life. Work out your problems and love each other.

thughes

2 months ago

Report Abuse

What we all need to do now is continue to PRAY for Marci and the Eakin family and check out the web-page at <http://www.tellingdad.com/sweetdreamsfund>. I think we could all do a great justice by donating to this.

graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I'll be surprised if anyone from this area is chosen as a juror. And of course, if I was to go into court and state that I already had a verdict in mind, they'd choose someone else. That's plainly obvious. I'm allowed to maintain and express my opinion,



thank you.

And Motherof2boys, while divorce can be an awful thing, I don't think divorce is something to be that worrisome about. Surely at times keeping a marriage intact is worse than divorce, as the children could feel as though the parents are doing it solely for them. Therefore they believe they're responsible for their parents unhappiness.

I wouldn't take what he wrote too seriously. After all, in his crazed logic he declared that stabbing his children to death was the best thing for them.

theame19

2 months ago

Report Abuse

What I'm sure most people have failed to realize is that unless Mammone's attorney is oblivious to public opinion, there is a strong possibility that they are going to file for a Change of Venue. What that entails is that the defense will present the argument that the defendant can not receive a fair, impartial trial here in Stark County.

If this occurs, and I think it probably will, this is going to cause quite a ruckus and stir up even more negative public opinion about someone whose status could not possibly sink any lower. All we can do is hope that the presiding judge rejects the motion, which I devoutly hope he does.

bradswife

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I don't see why there should even be a trial, he is guilty of killing his children, and there is not any reason to justify that. He admitted to killing his ex mother in law too. My parents divorced when I was 14, they screamed and fought all the time, i was happier that they divorced and grew up in a peaceful environment afterwards. This man was not thinking about his childrens spiritual future, he was thinking of himself. His letter proves that he is not insane, so why do we even need to pool a jury. He is just a savage killer, and he probably will be killed in prison. NO sympathy for him at all, but i do feel sorry for trevor, the satanist.

bradswife

2 months ago

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his letters should not have been published in the rep until after the trial, since our system demands a fair trial even when there is no doubt that he committed murder. Let's spend 5,000 dollars to evaluate a murderer,?! waste tax dollars while ppl struggle to live. Come soon, Jesus!

bradswife

2 months ago

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A change of venue is not going to make any difference, although it was a humble attempt, prob suggested by his lawyer. Any juror anywhere will find this animal guilty and he will get death penalty and he will get 3 daily meals and many appeals all with tax dollars. Only in America. Come quickly, Jesus Ok, I'm done posting on this one.

superdare

2 months ago

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this statement worries me.. Haas signed an order that no one is to meet or communicate with Mammone without the presence of his attorneys. The order affirms a request made by the defense at the beginning of the case.

Now, why, would the judge order that no one is allowed to meet or Communicate with anyone without his lawyers present? He is an adult, he should have the decision of who he does nor does not meet with. The fact that the defense made this motion and won it just makes me think that they really are pushing to convince us all that he is crazy before his trial..nad I pray to God that it does not work!

graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Theame, I believe that as well. His attorney has to know that most people in this area with even a slight knowledge of this crime already know what they would want as a verdict. I find it hard to believe that he'll receive an impartial trial anywhere, what with the absolute severity of it all.

I too can only hope that a change of venue motion of this kind will be rejected. He's dug his own grave, and with the release of this letter it's only served to make it an even deeper hole.

jenny p

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Yes, I was thinking that too, Denise. Either he sent Marci and her father letters or tried to harass them via telephone calls. graham79



2 months ago

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I wouldn't be surprised if he would send them letters. The no communication move would make sense if they were trying to portray him as someone who isn't able to control his actions or statements. But of course he is, since this infamous letter tells us that the murders were in the best interest of the children, according to him. It's contradictory.

I would hope that there aren't people gullible enough to believe that he's insane.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I thought from the beginning that Mammone will go for a change of venue. They're hard to get. Bobby Cutts didn't get one, so that may signal the court's position on this, even if each case is unique. Mammone is a proven loose cannon, not only as a killer, but as a client who marches to his own drum. I'm wondering, if he might try to fire his lawyers. He can't do that unless he has other defense lined up. After his letter writing stunt he strikes me as the kind of guy who would want to go pro se. I can't imagine the court permitting that, in such a serious case. Pro se in a DP case is nearly impossible to be approved without a lot of prior legal knowledge. We did it in 1978-1979 in Ashtabula County but nobody had ever heard of it before.

doncirelli

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I'm not going to run down or second-guess our justice system. I understand why we have a vetting process for jurors. But I'd hate to be Mammone's lawyer. We thought the Bobby Cutts case was the biggest no-brainer in history - until now. This one is already over, actually. Everything that happens in the courtroom is, from here on, just legal procedure that is guaranteed by the Constitution. All the prosecutor has to do is prove that Mammone committed the crimes.

I don't believe there is a jury in the world that would give him anything less than a.) 'Guilty' and b.) the death penalty, regardless of who sits on the jury or where the case is tried. I think the only shot his lawyer has is if he can get some 'certifiable' people on the jury.

graham79

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Pardon my asking, but what is pro se? And what occurred in Ashtabula county in the years you mentioned?

If Bobby Cutts didn't get a venue change then I wouldn't think Mammone would be able to. Firing his lawyers would likely do nothing in his favor, as any lawyer is going to have an impossible time defending this man. What is there to defend? It's aggravating when so much effort is put forth to give criminals fair trials when they clearly don't deserve a chance. If he happened to be released (which I'm certain won't happen) It'd be a wise guess that vigilante justice would take care of him.

Jane Montrose

2 months ago

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You can fire your attorneys at any time. The Judge can let you represent yourself Pro Se at any time (which means own act as your own Counsel) the Judge may tell an attorney that they must 'assist' the Defendant in the matter. There is an old saying that goes something like, a person that represents themselves has a fool for a client. Even attorneys get an attorney to represent them when they go to court. Mr. Mammone may be the epitome of evil, but from reading his letter, I do not believe for one second that he is stupid.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

Report Abuse

No, you must have the consent of the court to act as pro se in a capital case—unless things have really changed. We went through it in Ashtabula County. The original judge in the retrial had made it clear he would not approve a pro se defense. He then had to recuse himself due to other issues and a visiting judge was brought in. He approved pro se after much deliberation. We were told we could request at any time official assistance if needed. We originally had no one to assist (officially), but the work load was so great (between the time we were granted the appeal and the client was returned to Ashtabula Cty, and the time we went to court was about a year as I remember it) that we went back and got official permission. We won and were acquitted in a 6-week retrial.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

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Pro se is the right to defend yourself in court. It is very difficult to get pro se status in a capital murder case because the stakes are so high. We did it in Ashtabula County 1978-1979. The Gary Beeman case. It was highly unusual and received a lot of media coverage for the time.

doncirelli

2 months ago

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'It's aggravating when so much effort is put forth to give criminals fair trials when they clearly don't deserve a chance'

Wrong. The Constitution says even Mr. Mammone is entitled to a fair trial. We are not a communist country. Every accused person has the right to a fair trial, regardless of how heinous their crime. The government must prove a person committed a



crime before, they throw him in jail and/or execute him. That's what makes America a free country. As an American, you shouldn't want it any other way.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

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Don't, don't you know the Constitution is only for the worthy and virtuous?

**Publishing letter did two kinds of harm**

**Posted Sep 08, 2009 @ 12:01 AM**

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SuQ

2 months ago

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I agree Mr. Thomas. I still can't understand why this was given any acknowledgment. Why did this low life killer get the chance to justify his actions? Why did the Editor feel it was necessary for us to hear his side? Wrong. Very Wrong.

**Rep wasn't wrong to print letter**

**Posted Aug 31, 2009 @ 12:01 AM**

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mary v parker

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Brenda, rest assured, he is in solitary confinement.

Alterego

2 months ago

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I'm glad the Rep. printed his letter. Now that we all understand how and why you did what you did Mammone, you should do what any other wacko family annihilator would do. End it now! You know you want to James. Slip into that quiet blissful sleep. We won't watch. Go ahead!

mrch54

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Rep wasnt wrong to print letter

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Yes they WERE WRONG !!!

bbg7600

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Brenda, this letter contradicts itself. First you say it wasn't wrong to print the letter, then you say Mammone was using the letter to set up an insanity plea or that he can't get a fair trial because of the publicity. Neither of those 2 things could be accomplished unless the Repository printed the letter..

LocalPerson

2 months ago

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The media should NEVER give a killer a platform. PERIOD.

The repository sold out the family of these victims and have disgraced the dead.

Anyone who thinks that this trash deserves to have his words published should be forced to spend the night with this creep.

I have plenty of opinions I would like to share with the world on the FRONT PAGE of the newspaper. Apparently I have to SLAUGHTER an entire family to get it published.

SHAME on those who caused further pain to an already suffering family. As already admitted by the editor of this so called 'newspaper', they knew it would cause pain and decided to publish it anyways.

And to think they did not even have offer the courtesy to ask how the victims family would feel about it. Instead they pass word via second hand for them to be prepared for the story.

I hope you got your dollars worth Jeff Gauger, because the blood of the victims have splashed upon your editors desk.

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August 29, 2009

Section: letters

#### Will letter be grounds to move Mammone trial?

I was appalled at the front-page story concerning James Mammone III ("Mammone to The Repository: 'I did the most merciful thing'; letter from jail explains that he killed his children to spare them from divorce," Aug. 25).

I could not believe that The Repository lowered its standards to give this jerk any press time at all.

Are you guys so hard up for news that you would give the idiot grounds for a change of trial venue? Everyone will read the story.

His attorney alleges that they have no strategy with this story, when we all know that an attorney doesn't even go to the restroom without some sort of strategy.

I usually have words of praise for The Rep but am hard-pressed to find any following this story.

I sincerely hope that publishing his letter does not backfire in the face of the editors who chose to run it, by helping Mammone to get a change of venue.

RICHARD KEPLER, CANTON TOWNSHIP

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WEB BROWSING REDEFINED FIREFOX 3



**Will letter be grounds to move Mammone trial?**

**Posted Aug 29, 2009 @ 12:01 AM**

**Comments (6)**

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Wilda

2 months ago

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Know what, I have not wasted my time reading anything about this man. He's a ZERO mizzo

2 months ago

Report Abuse

I read Mammone's letter and didn't believe one word of it !

mizzo

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Your comment about attorneys and strategies - loved it ! I will chuckle often ! Thanx

piggyl21

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Be at ease, the letter will not be a cause for a change of venue, in fact, it will most likely end up as a States exhibit. This case is pretty much cut n dry. Him being found guilty is really not an issue. What may be an issue, is if this punk is found incompetent to stand trial. I hope and pray he does go to trial as there is an honor among inmates, that there are certain things you do not do. This is at the top of the list. And inmates may be the ones to serve the final justice. eg; Jeffrey Dahmer. as wrong as I may be for this thought, but I'd rather he receives his justice in that form, rather than 20 years on death row just to be put to sleep by lethal injection.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

Report Abuse

And just what strategy would Mammone's lawyers have? They're playing with a loose cannon. client Insanity is out now, if it ever was in. The only thing the defense can do is give him the best defense they can, as they are charged to do, and try to knock down the death penalty specs,. Whatever happens Mammone is not going to see the light of day ever again.

joe\_mcpott

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Why move it ? he did it HERE, he will be condemned here by 12 of his peers, even if they move it, didnt the news coverage reach 5 T.V. channels? along wth the leter?.....DEATH. THATS THE ANSWER . no-matter where you hold it !

**Repository readers didn't need to know**

**Posted Aug 29, 2009 @ 12:01 AM**

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mizzo

2 months ago

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Once again Mammone calculated his action/s based on the time schedule of Canton City Schools. His agenda has multiple motives.

Otttertk1

2 months ago

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Printing the letter allowed the readers to know what his reasoning was for killing his children. Before it was printed, we could only guess. Was his reasoning correct, NO. Was he insane, NO. An insane person doesn't reason, they act. All this letter did was add to the reasons why a jury would find him guilty of aggravated murder and sentence him to death. The guy just hung himself. The Repository was correct in printing this letter.

superdare

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Thonda, if you didn't need to know, and didn't agree, why did you click on the story and read it?

Yes, it was to inform us of something we didn't know. None of us were inside this man's head, and a large number of us desperately wanted to know what was going through his mind in order for him to choose such a heinous act.

**Mail letter on Mammone case turned over to authorities**

**Posted Aug 25, 2009 @ 12:22 PM**

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#### Why give Mammone a soapbox? W

It is time for the average dog to start barking. When I read the comment of Jeff Gauger, executive editor of The Repository, as to why he decided to publish the letter of defendant James Mammone III, I was badly disappointed ("Jail letter from Mammone turned over to authorities," Aug. 26).

He described the accused's crimes as "a community event as much as a private family event, and I believe that community interest in these crimes was high enough to warrant publication."

Could it be that there is high interest at The Repository to take advantage of an "exclusive scoop" when such an opportunity presents itself? What about what is good for the community?

Is it a good thing to give an accused child-murderer the highest soapbox in town? It's like finding a lost wallet, spending the money, then turning it in to the police. Perhaps others will commit heinous crimes and offer their life views to the local newspapers.

Mr. Gauger's judgment is poor. Yes, I am barking at him, and I am just a common dog. Many others share my viewpoint but have become complacent and feel it does no good to bark.

Well, we can all lie around as lazy dogs and let our society shape itself from neglectful inactivity, or we can band together to repel the wrongdoings we see around us.

Everyone needs to speak up and start barking.

DALE R. BERGER, PLAIN TOWNSHIP

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Earlier I commented that ethically, the Rep should have contacted the family directly. Now I find out that had they done so they would have discovered that the letter was published on Marcys' birthday. The Rep allowed Mammone to use them as is Puppet to further inflict pain on this poor girl. How sad.

uQ

months ago

Report Abuse

bigdummy....you had me until you voiced your wish for Gauger...Come on....isn't that a bit much?

again...that is so sad this letter was published on Marcy's Birthday. I don't think good judgment was used in publishing this. News SHOULD be reported, but Mammone's letter to explain himself should not have been considered. Were the lives of his children or ex-mother in law considered? What about the feelings of his ex-wife and her family? The abuse continues..

bg7600

months ago

Report Abuse

Mr Gauger, as you are paddling up -stream very quickly because you thought you were being fair. The man who used you (yes, used you) I'm sure is laughing and smirking. He got to hurt his ex-wife once again (apparently timed exactly to coincide with her birthday and the beginning of school) and YOU are taking the heat from it. The more you justify yourself the more he is laughing. Mistakes happen, you obviously didn't think the public would react this strongly. However, not owning up to the fact it was a mistake is not very advantageous to your position. Again I will repeat what I said before, this was not news was gossip. Big difference.

atty47

months ago

Report Abuse

For those of you that are interested in the workings of the criminal mind, read No Daddy, Don't. It is a father who murders his 2 small daughters, very similar to the Mammone case. After reading it you will have more insight into the workings of Mammone's mind than you will ever get from reading his letter to the Rep. It may also give you the perception to see the letter to the Rep. was nothing more than domestic violence. His main objective in this letter was to let Marcia know the orders were her fault because she divorced him; plus he wanted people to stop talking about his crazy picture. Had Mammone tried to hang himself or gotten in a fight with one of the deputies, that might have been news. The lies of a master manipulator should never become news. Domestic violence is always about power and control, with the belief that Mammone's letter was legitimate news; is how we permit this abuse to continue. Abusers should have no rights, these rights show Mammone was able to carry out this horrendous crime. If a man is a threat to the Mother of his children, he should be considered a threat to the children. Children's safety should come before any parents rights. We need to stand up and change the laws to protect the innocent victims, everything that could be done to stop this from happening again, should be done.

l

months ago

Report Abuse

PERSONALLY, I do not know why his first move was not to blow his own head off....to take his children's lives and then his ex-mother-in-law's life,,,he deserves a firing squad with low caliber rounds 30 minutes apart,,,not a forum to justify his f@#\$%^ up actions.

Why give Mammone a soapbox?

Posted Aug 29, 2009 @ 12:01 AM

Last update Aug 30, 2009 @ 11:13 AM

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z0

months ago

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Mammone gave his life views to the local newspaper, I read them and chose not to believe a single word he wrote.

z0

months ago

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believe me, I 'bark' and risk being labeled the lunatic. But it doesn't stop me not even for one split second!

zy121

months ago

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My brother... 'ruff ruff'

edtoomuch

months ago

Report Abuse

His letter should NOT have been published. It only serves to give the Repository something sensational to print and its publication does not serve justice. The Repository should have directly turned the letter over to the prosecutor.

haelD

months ago

## Report Abuse

The Repository erred in publishing this letter.

The purpose of the media is to investigate with fervor and to objectively present fact. Publishing this crazy man's letter does not serve that purpose.

Boy, I sure wish Hanke and Kaminski were still around...

gmmorris

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

No matter if you agree or not the Rep is a business and has no real legal responsibility to its readers. It is not a government agency. They make business decisions everyday and live and die by those decisions. There are articles everyday that I skip over just because of their contents. I don't read crime reports as an example, too depressing. Happens with every editor and it happened with Hanke and Kaminski. I know Hanke, we were neighbors at a time and I remember almost monthly talking to him and saying I can't believe you guys did this or that. He always responded yea that was a tough decision we talked about it over and over. Dammed if you do damned if you don't. Except we rarely hear the don'ts.

Marley Greiner

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

News is not selective. The letter absolutely have been published. I can't think of any newspaper in the US that would not have published it. Jeff called the murders a 'community' event. He is correct,. In an earlier comment I called the murders a public and private event, something all crime is. Mammone sealed his fate with that letter He admitted to planning the murders of his children. If you want to read good news, read Grit, if it's still around.

JAE44718

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

He already sealed his fate with a full confession. The letter was not needed. This letter was published to sell papers. It was not fair to the mother and her family. This issue is PERSONAL first (the family)! Then it is a community issue. The Hell that mother must be going through. ...And then to find his reasoning in the paper of why he did it?! ...Basically putting some of the blame on her for the murdered children. She doesn't need that. I know that, the community knows that, and the 'Repository' knows that. It was an unethical move. I know a lot of people who dropped the rep because of it.

dkid

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

I agree , the newspaper is a source of socail information but it also is a business . I personally think the man is the lowest form of humanaity at best but the Rep has the right to print as they decide to. If you don't want to see it then don't read that particular article .

doncirelli

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

I see nothing wrong with printing that letter. If you're angered by the contents (and who wouldn't be), your beef is with the letter-writer, not the messenger who simply delivered the letter to the public. I think this letter gives us an insight into the twisted mind of James Mammone.

I don't believer there will be any 'copycat' murders, simply because this letter was printed in the paper. Anyone crazy enough to act as Mr. Mammone did will not need a reason. He certainly didn't. That letter is as much a part of the news as war or a deadly natural disaster. Those stories are just as unpleasant and tragic, but no one is calling for that kind of news to be kept from the public.

P.S. that letter is evidence, and will be used by the prosecution to make sure Mammone is punished for his deeds, if that is any consolation. It is a public confession, and is admissable in court.

joe\_mcpott

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

He can use that soapbox too jump off of and hang himself !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

mary v parker

2 months ago

## Report Abuse

[ can't help but wonder how many of you who are griping about this letter being published, read the accounts of the murder n this same newspaper. If the story was so appalling, how could you stand to read the events of that sad day in our community? How many are going to read the accounts of the trial every day (if there is one) ? So why do disgusted about this etter being published? We should all want to get inside the head of a person, who is obviously sick enough to commit a crime of this magnitude. Some claim he's just pretending to be mentally ill. Any time a man can slit the throats of his children, he has to be sick. Mentally stable human beings don't do things like this. He doesn't have to fake a mental illness. He has one.



I have to agree with Jeff's call on this one.

snufus

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Mentally stable people do it all the time, look at Rome and the coliseums. Look at the history of the world. Fathers in rome set their babies on the mountains to die of exposure. People kill all the time over passion and greed and rejection and because someone made a comment to them they didn't like. People can be morally insane, spiritually insane instead of mentally insane. In fits of anger, in fits of rage, murder can result. Bitterness can destroy, it can lay the stage for a self deceit and even a demonic control that is unbelievable; that is the lesson we take from this. Revenge is awful, to seek it is human nature and that nature must be restrained. This is a warning to all to get over anger issues quickly, seek help if needed. Continual anger and nursed resentment leads to unbelievable problems, problems that grow in disproportion to the challenges to be overcome by them. That human beings can justify themselves for anything they do is what the letter read. Many of us can probably understand this process. We have all been tempted to be bitter. It is a power that grows beyond your control if you let it.

I remember bitterness in my own life, and how long and how frequently I prayed for the Lord to get it out of my heart and sought help for it. It is like the power that God saw on Cain's face when he was angry with his brother Abel. He warned Cain that unless he turned, sin would be his master. He didn't listen and he went out and slew his brother. How true. Cain lives today. God be with his victims.

jenny p

2 months ago

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I agree with Don, Marley and Mary. Had it not been for the Repository printing donation information, my family, friends and I would never have known where to make my donations in order to help the family. I also noticed last week The Repository also printed information on a benefit held at the 356th Fighter Group.

Please don't take it as an insult that the community is so interested in this case. No, we cannot wholly, nor would we dare to want to know the insurmountable grief the family is feeling, but we hope somehow that our interest, our prayers and our thoughts might lend some comfort to the bereaved.

I know the instinct might be to lash out and blame another person or entity, but in this case, Mammone gave himself the soap box and Mammone is fully responsible for the pain and anguish.

jenny p

2 months ago

Report Abuse

That should read 'our donations'....

Superpuppie

2 months ago

Report Abuse

As anti-Rep as I am, they still have the obligation to publish the news.

How long would they stay in business if they did not publish the news?

It is an ugly situation, granted, but the news must be reported.

mary v parker

2 months ago

Report Abuse

'Mentally stable people do it all the time, look at Rome and the coliseums'. You think those people were sane???? I think they were some of the most dysfunctional people in history. That's your idea of SANE?

snufus

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Mental insanity is psychosis or loss of touch with reality. Like seeing and hearing see that are not there, having lost touch with the truth of one's environment. No, I do not believe they lost touch with reality. I think they knew exactly what they were doing. I do believe they lost touch with their hearts, that their hearts were hard to humanity and to what they were doing and justified it as right. Moral insanity and heartlessness. Blood lust and power seeking without regard for humanity. It is everywhere in history. I believe they knew what they were doing and did it anyway. It is a form of madness, a form of insanity but not mental insanity like mental illness when the mind believes cars that are circling around one's house are cars that are circling because of them or people on t.v. are talking and plotting against them. Man is a multifaceted creature. He is body, soul, mind spirit and will. Any part of man can be sick

without the other parts necessarily being affected at least at first. IF you view all people who do bad things as insane, this discounts responsibility and this is not true. Few insane people are murderers.

There are many jealous people who murder. There are many greedy people who murder. There are many angry people that murder in the heat of anger. These people do not fit the definition of mentally insane. Psychopaths are not regarded as mentally insane. They understand the moral implications of what they have done. They just don't care. They are totally HEARTLESS and for one person THEMSELVES. If you give them the cover of mental insanity they would love it! They love a cover, any cover that keeps them from being responsible for their actions and they would love to act insane to get out of their crimes too.

pleasebequiet

2 months ago

Report Abuse

Murder confessions sell newspapers bottom line

superdare  
2 months ago  
Report Abuse

The repository followed protocol and did nothing illegal or immoral. Yes, I feel horrible for Marcia at those words being out there, but everyone had a choice to read it or not read it. No one is forcing your eyes open to take in the context. No one made you click on the headline. If you don't like the news, don't open the paper. It is news. A man being held for heinous crimes wrote a confessing letter, that is news.

I myself chose to read the letter as I knew him, myself and my children were horrified and confused when we got the news that fateful day. I wanted to see for myself what James wrote as a 'reason' for his actions. I wanted to know what the H@LL was going through his mind.

For those who disagree saying to the rep should not publish such material, my only suggestion to you would be to move deep into the mountains, where there is no news. Because EVERYONE News media outlet every day of the year is going to have some kind of disturbing news in it. It is, unfortunately, the world we live in.

LocalPerson  
2 months ago  
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The protocol that you speak of should include not giving lunatic killers a platform to preach their gospel. There are jail cells full of criminals that would love to tell you what they think. Why give this P.O.S. the opportunity? Just because he slaughtered his family that makes his words more valuable?

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#### Repository readers didn't need to know

In publishing the letter from James Mammone III, was it the intention of The Rep to inform us of something we didn't already know? Through his need to control and his own lack of self-control, James Mammone committed a heinous act on innocent victims. Now he wants us to understand his side.

His act speaks for itself. He should not be given a platform.

Like others who have experienced a divorce action, if Mammone had a hard time accepting the terms, he could have sought counseling for his rage instead of abuse and violence.

RHONDA CAIAZZA, PLAIN TOWNSHIP

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**Will letter be grounds to move Mammone trial?**

**Posted Aug 29, 2009 @ 12:01 AM**

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Know what, I have not wasted my time reading anything about this man. He's a ZERO

mizzo

2 months ago

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I read Mammone's letter and didn't believe one word of it!

mizzo

2 months ago

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Your comment about attorneys and strategies - loved it! I will chuckle often! Thanx

biggy121

1 months ago

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Be at ease, the letter will not be a cause for a change of venue, in fact, it will most likely end up as a States exhibit. This case is pretty much cut n dry. Him being found guilty is really not an issue. What may be an issue, is if this punk is found incompetent to stand trial. I hope and pray he does go to trial as there is an honor among inmates, that there are certain things you do not do. This is at the top of the list. And inmates may be the ones to serve the final justice. eg; Jeffrey Dahmer. is wrong as I may be for this thought, but I'd rather he receives his justice in that form, rather than 20 years on death row just to be put to sleep by lethal injection.

Farley Greiner

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and just what strategy would Mammone's lawyers have? They're playing with a loose cannon. client Insanity is out now, if it ever was in. The only thing the defense can do is give him the best defense they can, as they are charged to do, and try to knock down the death penalty specs.. Whatever happens Mammone is not going to see the light of day ever again.

de\_mcpott

1 months ago

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Why move it? he did it HERE, he will be condemned here by 12 of his peers, even if they move it, didnt the news coverage reach 5 T.V. channels? along wth the leter?.....DEATH. THATS THE ANSWER . no-matter where you hold it!

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Once again Mammone calculated his action/s based on the time schedule of Canton City Schools. His agenda has multiple motives.

ltertk1

1 months ago

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Printing the letter allowed the readers to know what his reasoning was for killing his children. Before it was printed, we could only guess. Was his reasoning correct, NO. Was he insane, NO. An insane person doesn't reason, they act. All this letter did was add to the reasons why a jury would find him guilty of aggravated murder and sentence him to death. The guy just hung himself. The Repository was correct in printing this letter.

perdare

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Wonda, if you didn't need to know, and didn't agree, why did you click on the story and read it?

Yes, it was to inform us of something we didn't know. None of us were inside this man's head, and a large number of us desperately wanted to know what was going through his mind in order for him to choose such a heinous act.

**Will letter on Mammone case turned over to authorities**

**Posted Aug 25, 2009 @ 12:22 PM**

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## Story 27

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**Headline:** IN a year of numerous murders in Stark County, it looks like all of the cases are closed

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By LORI MONSEWICZ

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All 12 of Stark County's homicides this year have ended in an arrest.

As far as investigators are concerned, all are resolved, though none of the suspects have been convicted or gone to trial.

A 100 percent clearance rate for the year is more impressive when compared to the national average, which is around 61 percent, according to FBI crime figures.

"That's been the one silver lining in a terrible year of homicides, bringing the suspects to justice," said Canton Police Chief Dean McKimm.

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The key to resolving them is following leads quickly, McKimm said.

"It's a lot of hard work on the detective bureau and (fast) responses from the patrol division," McKimm said.

### RARE TRIPLE HOMICIDES

McKimm noted that two of Canton's cases were triple homicides, which are rare.

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Investigators looking into a triple homicide May 27 outside a southwest Canton bar were able to connect the shootings with a man who they say was involved earlier in a bar fight, said Lt. Jerry Steiner of the Canton Police Department's Detective Bureau.

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#### Eakin/Mammone benefit

Food and music will be the order of the day when DeMarco Productions and 356th Fighter Group present the Eakin/Mammone Family Benefit from noon to 9 p.m. Aug. 23 at the 356th Fighter Group at 4919 Mount Pleasant Rd. NW. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for youths 18 and younger.

The event remember and a celebrate the lives of Margaret J. Eakin, Macy Mammone and James Mammone IV. Food and drinks can be purchased.

The event is sponsored by Angello's, 97.5 WONE, Roma's Radiator, Entertainme.us, The Repository, BigTimSound.com, Flowers by Pat, Lew's Bar, Alternate Illusions, B&K Cafe, Tan Lines and Scoreboard.

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#### Applebee's to host fundraiser for Eakin family



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The restaurant at 4981 Dressler Rd. NW will donate 15 percent of diners' checks when presented with a yellow flier, which is good for dining in or for carside-to-go.

Proceeds will be donated to the family of Margaret Eakin, Macy **Mammone** and James **Mammone IV**, who were victims of homicide in June.

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#### Story 33

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**Mammone** trial date set

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CANTON A man accused of killing his two children and his former mother-in-law is set to go on trial in January.

James **Mammone** III waived his right to a speedy trial during a brief hearing Wednesday in Stark County Common Pleas Court.

Judge John G. Haas set Jan. 11 as the trial date, and granted the defense funds to hire expert witnesses, including a psychologist and a mitigation expert.

Pay for each expert is capped at \$5,000.

Authorities have said **Mammone** stabbed his children, 5-year-old Macy **Mammone** and 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV, and fatally shot his former mother-in-law, Margaret J. Eakin, on June 8.

Police have said **Mammone**, 35, of [REDACTED] confessed to the killings, saying he wanted to hurt his ex-wife following their recent divorce.

**Mammone** is charged with three counts of aggravated murder with death-penalty specifications and other crimes.

If convicted of any of the aggravated murder charges with an accompanying death-penalty specification, **Mammone** could be sentenced to death. Other options would be life in prison without parole, life in prison with parole eligibility after 30 years and life in prison with parole eligibility after 25 years.

During Wednesday's hearing, Haas asked **Mammone** how he was being treated at the jail.

Last month, **Mammone** complained that he wasn't getting food that fit his vegetarian diet.

This time, **Mammone** said his diet had improved, and that he has access to his lawyers.

**Mammone** also told the judge that he sent the court a letter complaining about the lack of a jail library.

As a safeguard, Haas told **Mammone** not to send letters, and that any communication should be done through his attorneys.

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## Story 34

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Stark County homicide victims since May

### CANTON HOMICIDE VICTIMS

- n John D. Schenko, 51, of Canton, died May 14, beaten during Canton street fight.
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zopeintro: James **Mammone** III, the man accused of killing his two children and ex-mother-in-law last month, is scheduled for trial in January.

CANTON A January trial date has been scheduled for the man accused of killing his ex-mother-in-law and two children.

James **Mammone** III appeared Wednesday for a pre-trial hearing before Stark County Common Pleas Judge John Haas.

**Mammone** waived his right to a speedy trial. Haas set Jan. 11 for the trial, though that could change in the coming months.

Haas approved defense motions to pay for a psychologist and a mitigation expert, standard in death penalty cases.

**Mammone** has pleaded not guilty to three counts of aggravated murder and other charges.



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County prosecutors have said they believe **Mammone** stabbed to death his children, 5-year-old Macy **Mammone** and 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV, sometime before fatally shooting his former mother-in-law, 57-year-old Margaret J. Eakin on June 8.

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### Story 37

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By SHANE HOOVER

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CANTON A man accused of killing his two children and his former mother-in-law is set to go on trial in January.

James **Mammone** III waived his right to a speedy trial during a brief hearing Wednesday in Stark County Common Pleas Court.

Judge John G. Haas set Jan. 11 as the trial date, and granted the defense funds to hire expert witnesses, including a psychologist and a mitigation expert.

Pay for each expert is capped at \$5,000.

Authorities have said **Mammone** stabbed his children, 5-year-old Macy **Mammone** and 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV, and fatally shot his former mother-in-law, Margaret J. Eakin, on June 8.

Police have said **Mammone**, 35, of [REDACTED] confessed to the killings, saying he wanted to hurt his ex-wife following their recent divorce.

**Mammone** is charged with three counts of aggravated murder with death-penalty specifications and other crimes.

If convicted of any of the aggravated murder charges with an accompanying death-penalty specification, **Mammone** could be sentenced to death. Other options would be life in prison without parole, life in prison with parole eligibility after 30 years and life in prison with parole eligibility after 25 years.

During Wednesday's hearing, Haas asked **Mammone** how he was being treated at the jail. Last month, **Mammone** complained that he wasn't getting food that fit his vegetarian diet.

This time, **Mammone** said his diet had improved, and that he has access to his lawyers.

**Mammone** also told the judge that he sent the court a letter complaining about the lack of a jail library.

As a safeguard, Haas told **Mammone** not to send letters, and that any communication should be done through his attorneys.

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### Story 38

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Beverly L. Cosser, 43, and Jay L. Dickinson, 43, both of 942 W. Broadway St., Alliance.

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Shannon D. Britton, 27, and Jeffery L. Winkle, 32, both of 238 N. Canal St., Canal Fulton.

Katherine E. McGraw, 28, of South Euclid and Matthew G. Betts, 37, of 6416 Blossomwood Cir. NE, Plain Township.

Laura E. Shuster, 23, of 7919 Norriton Cir. NW, Plain Township, and Brandt M. Laverick, 22, of 10581 Charney Ave. NW, Lake Township.

Gladys C. Loroupe, 29, of 2522 Roberts Ave. NW and Stephen M. Slusny, 26, of Parma.

Kelsey Saleet, 24, of 1570 Chadford Gate SE, North Canton, and Benjamin J. Appleby, 29, of Cohuna, Victoria.

Coralie S. Myers, 63, and Gregory D. Laney, 61, both of 2165 Priscilla Ave. NW, Massillon.

Denee L. Widger, 27, of 1695 Beechwood Ave. NE, North Canton, and Mitchell B. Mayle, 28, of 327 Mill St. SE.

Autumn D. Dahlheimer, 20, of 2855 Swallen Ave. NE, Nimishillen Township, and Michael J. Bankovich, 24, of 6400 Pilot Knob Ave. NE, Nimishillen Township.

Lisa Moon Murphy, 48, and Timothy C. Vogt, 48, both of 220 Korman Ave. NE, Massillon.

Laurene D. Wilhelm, 18, of 5444 E. Sparta Ave. SE, Pike Township, and Seth A. Morrow, 20, of 5511 E. Sparta Ave. SE, Pike Township.

Shakia S. Holmes, 24, and Anton D. Perry, 25, both of 4735 Blackberry Ave. NW.

Esther L. Young, 63, and Jerry A. Young, 65, both of 4435 18th St. NW, Jackson Township.

Michelle E. Shuster, 21, of 7919 Norriton Cir. NW, Plain Township, and Joshua D. Metheney, 21, of 8745 Deacon Dr. NW, Lake Township.

Sarah N. Boley, 26, and James M. Sisco, 30, both of 5143 Harmont Ave. NE.

Danielle N. Dale, 25, and Nicholas S. Braden, 27, both of 205 Arizona Ct., Canal Fulton.

Kristi L. Hillegass, 24, and Jason S. Knox, 24, both of 539 Colony Rd., Canal Fulton.

Amy L. Berens, 39, and Scott E. Wallace, 39, both of 220 Ertle Ave. NE, Massillon.

Shamika L. James, 26, and Jason L. Morris, 30, both of 4061 Orchard Dale Dr. NW, Plain Township.

Anne E. Coneglio, 30, and Kenneth J. Kot, 26, both of 4111 22nd St. NW, Plain Township.

Zairen A.I. Andreadis, 33, of 400 Ingall Ave. NW, Perry Township, and Eric S. Yakunich, 36, of 4611 Pleasant Hills Rd. NW, Perry Township.

Kacey L. Copeland, 20, and Kieth M. LeMasters, 35, both of 39 W. Oxford St., Alliance.

Lesley A. Cunningham, 26, of 5100 Quail Hill St. NW, Jackson Township, and Michael P. Grady IV, 26, of 303 Donner Ave. NW, North Canton.

Camelia L. Sarno, 20, of 4885 Aurora St. NW, Perry Township, and Drew R.A. Stanton, 21, of 690 27th St. NW, Massillon.

Nicole J. Neff, 22, and Tracy D. Milligan, 23, both of 300 Kennedy St., Louisville.

Ashley R. Rininger, 24, and Jacob B. Baker, 24, both of 2430 17th St. SE, Canton Township.

Ashley M. Stevens, 19, and Chad M. Ritz, 23, both of 4537 15th St. NW, Perry Township.

Lindsey Jo Carlile, 23, and Christopher S. Patterson, 23, both of 1841 Carriage Ln., Alliance.

Heather A. Plumley, 21, of 6486 Deveron Cir. NW, Lawrence Township, and Andrew T. Campbell, 28, of Parma Heights.

Elizabeth M. Hanacek, 50, and W. Todd Bartko, 49, both of 15290 Lawmont St. NW, Lawrence Township.

Deanna Hall, 41, and Joseph R. Salter, 47, both of 425 N. Webb Ave., Alliance.

Marilynn K. Adams, 58, and Robert R. Stoll, 62, both of 6841 Oakhill Ave. NE, Washington Township.

Cassandra L. Comfort, 23, of 10039 Mapleton St. SE, Osnaburg Township, and Damien R. Hand-Cannane, 25, of 405 W. Noble St., East Canton.

Emily E. Dooley, 21, of Murrieta, Calif., and Daniel R. Shumway, 22, of 1216 Monument Rd. NW.

Jill A. Klapp, 40, and Scott V. DeGordon, 46, both of 1818 Kipling Ave. NW, Perry Township.



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Monica M. James, 34, and Matthew E. McElfresh, 29, both of 323 Harvard Ave. NE, Massillon.

Ashley M. Lorenz, 21, of 511 Elizabeth Ave. SW, Perry Township, and Joshua D. Meinke, 22, of 2340 Cyprus Dr. SE, Massillon.

Ashlee R. Daly, 23, of Akron and James R. Lindesmith II, 24, of 4849 Staffordshire Cir. NW, Jackson Township.

Marilyn L. Ball, 42, of 1732 Second St. SE and Pedro E. Burrows, 63, of 1018 Ninth St. NW.

Brandi M. McArthur, 30, and Michael F. Hammerling II, 28, both of 3014 Regent Ave. NE, Plain Township.

Maria C. Oblak, 22, of Rome, Ohio, and Brandon C. Stone, 23, of 4734 South Blvd. NW, Jackson Township.

Dorothy J. Williams, 59, and Melvin A. Kelly, 47, both of 2515 Avalon Ave. NE.

Amanda L. Rivers, 21, and Alex A. Urbas, 23, both of 1123 Shalimar Cir. NW, North Canton.

Karen S. Catazaro, 44, and Paul G. Bracken, 50, both of 300 53rd St. SW, Canton Township.

Sharalee R. Mutchler, 21, of 2568 Alabama Ave. NW, Tuscarawas Township, and Timothy R. Buchholz, 25, of 3924 Millside Ave. NW, Lawrence Township.

Alecia M. LaFromboise, 29, and Nicholas D. Mowery, 30, both of 161 Anna Ave. NW, Perry Township.

Amy M. Humphreys, 34, and Michael J. Keinath, 26, both of 1508 Opal St., Louisville.

Catherine A. Walter, 26, of Sunbury and Brandon S. Bleigh, 26, of 13100 Kimmens Rd. SW, Tuscarawas Township.

Ashley E. Martig, 25, and Steven C. Moore, 28, both of 2090 Crestwood St., Alliance.

Stephanie L. Henderson, 27, of 2834 Autumn Ave. NW, Massillon, and Markus D. Scheler, 31, of Fairfield.

Heidi A. Hester, 25, and Timothy L. James Jr., 27, both of 2214 11th St. SW.

Sheri R. Toolan, 46, and George P. Solenthaler, 46, both of 5125 Echovale St. NW, Jackson Township.

Seradia A. Garner, 32, and Jason D. Minor, 36, both of 1619 Vienna Rd. SW.

Kimberly A. Gill, 23, of 6279 Oakhill Ave. NE, Washington Township, and David R. Hilden, 23, of Westfield.

Kari A. Martinez, 27, and Thomas A. Randau, 29, both of 1018 Troy Pl. NW.

Melinda D. Wiegref, 29, and Randle J. Pugh, 34, both of 1034 Fifth St. SW.

Marilyn R. Poore, 41, of 3820 Kaiser Ave. NE, Plain Township, and William C. Tate, 47, of 605 Hyke Ct. SE.

Lindsey J. DeGirolamo, 19, and Kenneth C. Bucklew, 19, both of 2623 Sunmont St. NW, Perry Township.

Jennifer L. Highben, 25, and Gregory A. McHenry, 34, both of 419 Albright St. SE, Massillon.

Antionette R. Collins, 26, of 1684 Fallen Timber Dr. NE, Plain Township, and Nigel L. Somerville, 28, of Akron.

Jennifer A. Morgan, 29, and Jacob W. Franks, 30, both of 3017 Neal Ct. NW.

Ashley N. Cooke, 25, and Chad J. England, 27, both of 1727 S. Seneca Ave., Alliance.

Bethany L. Klocinski, 34, and David P. Stevens II, 40, both of 11594 Peach Glen Ave. NW, Uniontown.

Jennifer M. Royer, 21, of 524 Rodeo St., Louisville, and Steven L. Lauer, 23, of 13421 Beech St. NE, Washington Township.

Kristine R. Brumbaugh, 49, and Mark H. Pedicord, 50, both of 1017 Overlook Dr. SW, Pike Township.

Amanda J. Nichols, 24, and Bisell H. McWilliams III, 25, both of Antioch, Tenn.

Hillary T. Robinson, 41, of 1266 Michael Ln., Zoar, and Darrell N. Markijohn, 48, of 3139 Perry Dr. NW, Jackson Township.

Teressa J. Fischer, 24, of 624 Terry Ave. NE, Massillon, and Todd K. Conlan, 23, of 6817 Glengarry Ave. NW, Jackson Township.

June M. Walton, 34, and Jimmy S. Arrigo, 34, both of 110 Peach St. NE, North Canton.

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Melissa S. Riese, 21, of 6420 Valley Dr. SE, Pike Township, and George J. Schnegg, 24, of 1338 25th St. NW.

Leslie L. Youngdahl, 45, of 8958 Easy St. NW, Jackson Township, and Joseph P. Tomlin, 42, of 1131 Terrace Ave. NW, Canton Township.

Constance A. Culberston, 45, and Jeffrey L. Johnson, 43, both of 920 14th St. SE, Massillon.

Barbara J. Lambert, 19, and Brenton C. Devine, 22, both of 150 N. Plum St., Magnolia.

Karen C. Hibbitts, 35, of 81 Rolling Park Dr. N NW, Massillon, and Kenneth D. Shelt Jr., 34, of 603 1/2 Third St. NW, New Philadelphia.

Stacy A. House, 31, and Peter W. Mickey, 31, both of 4005 Regentview Ave. NE, Plain Township.

Tammy M. Chavers, 32, of 441 Wallace Ave. SE and Christopher T. Brown, 37, of 2436 Lake Road Blvd. NW.

Sarah D. Brant, 27, and Jaime E. Jaime Jr., 28, both of 635 Genoa Ave. NW, Perry Township.

Janell R. Wilson, 28, and Nicholas A. Curitti, 33, both of 7066 Navarre Rd. SW, Perry Township.

Stephanie K. Miller, 27, and Matthew D. Blanda, 24, both of 2873 Thackeray Ave. NW, Jackson Township.

Heather N. **Mammone**, 23, and Ralph C. Scott III, 24, both of 313 Edgewater Ave. NW, Perry Township.

Diane L. Bradshaw, 40, and Gary A. Trithart, 45, both of 547 S. Prospect Ave., Hartville.

Crystal E. Howe, 32, and William P. Miner, 35, both of 62 E. Columbia St., Alliance.

Melanie L. Monroe, 20, and Aaron J. Smith, 22, both of 1135 16th St. NW.

Ashley N. Vandegrift, 21, of 1101 Portage St. NW, North Canton, and Nathan D. Dumont, 22, of Hudson.

Janine A. Hardwick, 47, of 1755 22nd St. SW, Massillon, and Gary P. Smith, 60, of 1305 Nottingham Sq. NE, Bolivar.

Shanta J. Ross, 38, and Ramon A. Francisco, 49, both of 2910 Rosewood Pl. NW.

Chrisann M. Braham, 36, of 2435 49th St. NE, Plain Township, and Kevin T. Johnson, 37, of 2708 33rd St. NE, Plain Township.

Amanda R. Graytok, 27, and Gregory M. Oyler, 30, both of 2921 25th St. NE.

Beth A. Mueller, 44, of 1177 Terrace Rd. NW, North Canton, and Christopher G. Shaw, 38, of 4056 Alamo Rd. SE, Carrollton.

Tonya J. Fahlen, 23, of 1725 Fulton Rd. NW and Michael D. Rogers, 25, of 2227 Friar Tuck Cir., Wooster.

Amy K. Brannan, 25, and Andrew J. Donohue, 25, both of 7765 Daytona St. NW, Jackson Township.

Leslie J. Foster, 27, and Joseph G. Cole, 35, both of 1402 27th St. NE.

Viola Robinson, 58, of 55 Pearl Ave. SE, Massillon, and Lisbon E. James, 61, of 1328 Johnson St. SE, Massillon.

Tiera M. Justice, 29, and Timothy J. Hammond Jr., 30, both of 11554 Johnson Ave. NE, Lexington Township.

Rhonda C. Meadows, 40, and Robert J. Young, 45, both of 2413 Reno Dr., Louisville.

Michelle R. Rapp, 29, and Kyle R. Mitchin, 29, both of 1140 Grove St. NE, Plain Township.

Lisa A. Rohrig, 45, of 222 52nd St. SW, Canton Township, and Dirk A. Krumm, 34, of 222 51st St. SW, Canton Township.

Nancy E. Knight, 36, and John J. Laing, 41, both of 1127 15th St. NW.

Kathleen D. Brogdan, 42, of 2418 Seventh St. NE and Erwin D. Gillom, 33, of 665 Fries St. SE, Massillon.

Sara C. Schuster, 30, and J. Randolph Plemel, 30, both of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Shannon M. Dazey, 31, and Clifton P. Bann, 24, both of 2506 List St. NW, Perry Township.

Lisa M. Whaley, 29, and Nicholas P. Codispoti Jr., 33, both of 333 Columbiana St. NE, Navarre.

Kristen A. Painter, 25, and Daniel J. Wilcox, 24, both of 5690 Oakhill Ave. NE, Washington Township.



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 Christina K. Warren, 23, of 2960 Carlton St. NW, Plain Township, and Noah D. Murphy, 26, of Snowshoe Cir. NW, Jackson Township.  
 Brittainy J. Bennett, 27, and Dale A. Burns Jr., 25, both of 1880 Beechwood Ave. NE, North Canton.  
 Melissa L. Sciury, 31, of 2902 Denise Cir. SW, Perry Township, and Scott C. Baker, 32, of 1112 Everbright Dr., Uniontown.  
 Kristy A. Clark, 30, of 2006 Clearview Ave. NW, Plain Township, and James N. Pimpas, 34, of 446 Stewart Ave. NW, Perry Township.  
 Stacy R. Coe, 35, of 505 Geiger Ave. SW, Massillon, and Michael L. Wirth, 37, of Brewster.  
 Christy A. Lake, 24, and Robert M. Davis, 25, both of 3037 Parklane St. NW.  
 Josephine Hoover, 62, and James A. Kramer, 59, both of 1524 11th St. SW.  
 Katherine S. Pridgen, 26, of 2907 Hursh Pl. NW and Charles J. Armstrong, 30, of 404 Crestmont Ave. SE.  
 Deanne E. Hildreth, 39, of Elyria and Theodore N. Rubin, 38, of 1515 40th St. NW.  
 Julie A. Conkle, 32, and Jason S. Rambo, 32, both of 14676 Lincoln St, North Lawrence.

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### Story 39

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#### True justice can make us struggle

For those of us who believe in democracy, it's a hard thing to admit: We think our system is wonderful, so long as it works the way we think it should.

James **Mammone** III is a smirking reminder that there's a struggle to be had in embracing the notion of truly equal justice under the law.

**Mammone's** decision last week to plead not guilty to charges that he murdered his two young children and former mother-in-law is a real-world challenge to what we say we believe about democracy and justice.

Though police previously said **Mammone** confessed his guilt to them, under our Constitution, he is entitled to a trial as a result of his plea.

More than a few Stark Countians are resentfully angry over the idea that their tax dollars will be "wasted" on a trial for **Mammone** when it's so clear to them that he did it.

As hard as it may be for them to accept, in the eyes of our law, by everything to which we subscribe, James **Mammone** III is innocent until proven guilty.

If our legal system is to maintain its integrity, it cannot permit anything less.

#### FUMBLE

In 2006, Maurice Clarett, the former Ohio State University football star, was convicted of robbery and intimidation of a witness and sentenced to 31½ years in prison.

You may have heard that Clarett recently filed a request for early release, telling prison authorities that he's heard from NFL teams still interested in him.

It sounds as if he still doesn't get it. Prison isn't an interruption of one's life and career; it's punishment. In "The Mind of Maurice Clarett," a blog attributed to Clarett, he still seems unable to admit culpability.

Though Clarett has every right to make a living once he's served his time, he still hasn't said what needs to be said:

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"I want to apologize to the people I robbed, the witness I stalked and the arresting officers I spat at, kicked and cursed.

"I want say I'm sorry to Jim Brown and Marcus Allen, for blowing them off when all they were trying to do is steer me on the right path.

"I ask forgiveness from Coach Jim Tressel for the stress and embarrassment I caused him and my teammates.

"I apologize to my former professors and to the Ohio State University for trampling on the free \$40,000 college education they laid at my feet.

"I offer mea culpa to the NFL for presuming that at 19, I was ready to compete with grown men after playing just 12 college games.

"I hope the Denver Broncos someday can excuse me for coming to their training camp utterly unprepared and unwilling to work my way onto the team. Like virtually everything else in my life up to now, I expected that a starting slot and millions of dollars simply would be handed to me.

"Lastly, I wish to apologize to all the kids who had my picture taped to the wall on their bedroom; who still dream of running in my footsteps; who badgered and begged their parents into spending money they really couldn't spare, to buy my jersey. More than anyone, you guys deserved better."

At some point in our lives, we all have dropped the ball. Everyone deserves a chance to pick it up and try again. When Maurice Clarett apologizes for his past behavior and means it, I'll be the first person cheering him on.

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## Story 40

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### Mammone pleads not guilty

By SHANE HOOVER

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CANTON James **Mammone** III appeared before a judge Friday at the Stark County Jail and denied guilt to three counts of aggravated murder with death-penalty specifications and other crimes.

The hearing was **Mammone's** first chance to enter a plea to charges he killed his two children and his ex-mother-in-law June 8, and that he tried to break into his ex-wife's home.

"The charges don't get any more serious than they are in this case," Common Pleas Judge John G. Haas told **Mammone** before reading the seven-count indictment aloud.

If convicted of any of the aggravated murder charges with an accompanying death-penalty specification, **Mammone** could be sentenced to death. Other options would be life in prison without parole, life in prison with parole eligibility after 30 years and life in prison with parole eligibility after 25 years.

Police have said he confessed to the slayings, saying he was trying to punish his ex-wife, Marcia **Mammone**, following their recent divorce.

Stark County Public Defender Tammi Johnson and defense attorney Derek Lowry have been appointed to represent James **Mammone** III.

They declined to comment on the case, as did Assistant Stark County Prosecutor Chryssa Hartnett.

Haas set a tentative January trial date. The judge held off on imposing a gag order, but he said he is sensitive to how publicity about the case might affect potential jurors.

"The less said, the better," he told the attorneys.

Haas also asked **Mammone** how he was being treated in jail and if he had any concerns.



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**Mammone** said his only problem is getting food that fits his strict vegetarian diet.

Neither **Mammone's** relatives, nor the family of his ex-wife, attended the hearing.

George Urban, spokesman for Marcia **Mammone** and her father, James Eakin, said they still are coping with the loss and didn't want to make the hearing a public spectacle.

#### MOTHER SPEAKS

Prosecutors have said they believe James **Mammone** III stabbed to death his children, 5-year-old Macy **Mammone** and 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV, sometime before fatally shooting his former mother-in-law, 57-year-old Margaret J. Eakin.

Reached at her home, the defendant's mother, Gilise **Mammone**, said she wanted to be at the hearing but had been told it wasn't open to the public, although it was.

"He's still my son, and I love him," she said.

In her first public comments since her son's arrest, an emotional Gilise **Mammone** said her heart is broken.

"I'm just absolutely crushed. I lost my grandkids, my only grandkids, and my son, my only child," she said.

With a trial pending, she wouldn't discuss details about her son, his marriage and divorce, or the allegations against him, but said the side of him accused of these crimes, "I never saw, I never knew."

"He always did so well with the kids," she said. "I just don't understand. I just don't understand."

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#### Story 41

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Death penalty possible

Man indicted in killing of three outside bar

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#### IN COURT MONDAY

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zopeintro: Canton man pleads not guilty to killing his children, ex-mother-in-law. James **Mammone III** stands before judge during arraignment at Stark County Jail.

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It's the first chance **Mammone** has had to enter a formal plea denying the charges against him.

The charges stem from June 8, when **Mammone**, according to authorities, killed his children and his ex-mother-in-law and tried to break into

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his ex-wife's home. Police say he confessed to the slayings, saying he was trying to punish his ex-wife following their recent divorce.

Haas read the indictment against Mammone during the brief hearing.

His attorneys declined to comment on the case.

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#### Story 44

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CANTON James **Mammone** III appeared before a judge Friday at the Stark County Jail and denied guilt to three counts of aggravated murder with death-penalty specifications and other crimes.

The hearing was **Mammone's** first chance to enter a plea to charges that he killed his two children and his ex-mother-in-law on June 8, and tried to break into his ex-wife's home.

"The charges don't get any more serious than they are in this case," Common Pleas Judge John G. Haas told **Mammone** before reading the seven-count indictment aloud.

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Stark County Public Defender Tammi Johnson and defense attorney Derek Lowry have been appointed to represent James **Mammone** III.

They declined to comment on the case, as did Assistant Stark County Prosecutor Chryssa Hartnett.

Haas set a tentative January trial date.

The judge held off on imposing a gag order, but said he is sensitive to how publicity about the case might effect potential jurors.

"The less said, the better," he told the attorneys.

Haas also asked **Mammone** how he was being treated in jail and if he had any concerns.

**Mammone** said his only problem is getting food that fits his strict vegetarian diet.

Neither **Mammone's** relatives, nor the family of his ex-wife, attended the hearing.

George Urban, spokesman for Marcia **Mammone** and her father, James Eakin, said they are still coping with the loss and didn't want to make the hearing a public spectacle.

#### MAMMONE'S MOTHER SPEAKS

Prosecutors have said they believe James **Mammone** III stabbed to death his children, 5-year-old Macy **Mammone** and 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV, sometime before fatally shooting his former mother-in-law, 57-year-old Margaret J. Eakin.

Reached at her home, the defendant's mother, Gilise **Mammone**, said she wanted to be at the hearing, but had been told it wasn't open to the public, although it was.



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"He's still my son, and I love him," she said.

In her first public comments since her son's arrest, an emotional Gillise Mammone said her heart is broken.

"I'm just absolutely crushed. I lost my grandkids, my only grandkids, and my son, my only child," she said.

With a trial pending, she wouldn't discuss details about her son, his marriage and divorce, or the allegations against him, but said the side of him accused of these crimes, "I never saw, I never knew."

"He always did so well with the kids," she said. "I just don't understand. I just don't understand."

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#### Story 45

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Martino remains jailed on \$25 million bond.

Authorities say Martino opened fire from inside a passing vehicle, killing three people outside White Crown Cafe at 2528 Ninth St. SW on May 27.

The reason for the early morning shootings remains unclear. The bar was closed when Melissa L. Pinney, 31, and Jonathon Pierce, 32, both of Canton, and Pierce's cousin, De'Andre Ruffin, 22, of Massillon, were killed.

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As with the Mammone case, prosecutors presented the case to a grand jury before a preliminary hearing scheduled for Friday in Municipal Court.

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#### Story 46

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Headline: Courts need to look again at 'rights' of abusive parents

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Courts need to look again at 'rights' of abusive parents

Regarding "**Mammone** divorce, at times, a turbulent one" (June 9): The judicial system, whose role it was to protect this mother and children, should reconsider the "rights" of a parent with a history of abuse, neglect or violence. It seems that unearned and unwarranted "rights" are granted biological parents whether or not there has been responsible parenting.

Threatening a mother's life is child abuse, at the very least child endangering, unlawful and the basis for terminating contact with the mother and children except under the most controlled conditions.

How can a mother fearing her life not be affected in caring for children and such threats not cause the children anguish?

The Repository's account of court records indicates the court initially terminated the father's unsupervised contact with the children as well as the mother.

The court then ordered supervised visitation in their paternal grandmother's home — hardly the protection needed when there are threats to kill and possession of guns. Even this supervision was later discontinued, although the father violated his probation by continued threats.

No consequences were noted. Nor was it noted whether psychological help was obtained.

At the time of the divorce, liberal access to children was given the father, although the provision that he not contact the mother except in matters involving the children indicates continued concern about criminal intent toward her.

Recent child-custody practices are raising questions nationwide about whether children's welfare is a primary concern. Joint parenting may satisfy a parental wish for equal time, but is it always in the best interest of the child?

Citizens of this county have a right to know what went wrong, and an obligation to ask. We will carry to our graves the horror of these deaths. God help us all.

ALMA WELCH, CANTON TOWNSHIP

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## Story 47

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The indictment against James **Mammone** III. If convicted of any of the three charges of aggravated murder with an accompanying death specification, **Mammone** could receive a death sentence.

Count 1

Aggravated murder

Alleges that **Mammone** killed Margaret J. Eakin with prior calculation and design, and or during the commission of an aggravated burglary.

Death specification 1: Eakin's death was part of a course of conduct involving the deaths of two or more persons.

Death specification 2: **Mammone** purposefully caused Eakin's death during the commission of an aggravated burglary, and was the actual killer, or committed the aggravated murder with prior calculation or design.

Gun specification: **Mammone** used a gun while committing aggravated murder.

Count 2



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Aggravated burglary

Alleges **Mammone** broke into Margaret Eatin's home with a weapon and inflicted physical harm.

Gun specification: **Mammone** used a gun while committing aggravated burglary.

Count 3

Aggravated murder

Alleges **Mammone** killed, with prior calculation and design, Macy **Mammone**, who was under 13 years of age.

Death specification 1: Macy **Mammone**'s death was part of a course of conduct involving the purposeful killings of two or more persons.

Death specification 2: **Mammone** purposefully caused the death of Macy **Mammone**, who was under 13 years of age, and was the actual killer or committed the aggravated murder with prior calculation or design.

Count 4

Aggravated murder

Alleges **Mammone** killed, with prior calculation and design, James **Mammone** IV, who was under 13 years of age.

Death specification 1: James **Mammone** IV's death was part of a course of conduct involving the purposeful killings of two or more persons.

Death specification 2: **Mammone** purposefully caused the death of James **Mammone** IV, who was under 13 years of age, and was the actual killer or committed the aggravated murder with prior calculation or design.

Count 5

Aggravated burglary

Alleges **Mammone** broke into the home of his ex-wife, Marcia **Mammone**, with a weapon.

Gun Specification 1: **Mammone** used a gun while committing aggravated burglary.

Count 6

Violation of a protection order

Alleges **Mammone** violated a protection order by committing the aggravated burglary of his ex-wife's home.

Count 7

Attempted arson

Alleges **Mammone** tried to set fire to a truck parked at the home of his ex-wife.

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Story 48

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Headline: Prosecutors say James Mammone III planned to murder his two children and former mother-in-law last week. Indicted Wednesday on three counts of aggravated murder, he could get the death penalty if he is convicted.

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FACING DEATH

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"The evidence that we presented showed Mr. **Mammone** had a plan and, unfortunately, at this time, he went forward with it," said Stark County Prosecutor John Ferrero.

Prosecutors believe **Mammone** killed his children June 8 before he killed Eakin, Ferrero said.

The children were found strapped into child-safety seats in the car **Mammone** was driving when he was arrested.

Police have said **Mammone** confessed to the killings, saying he wanted to "inflict severe emotional pain" on his ex-wife. The couple's divorce was finalized in April.

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## Story 49

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## REPOSITORY STAFF REPORT

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zope intro: Here are the charges outlined in the indictment against James **Mammone III**.

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Ct. 1: Aggravated murder. Alleges that **Mammone** killed Margaret J. Eakin with prior calculation and design, and or during the commission of an aggravated burglary.

Death Specification 1: Eakin's death was part of a course of conduct involving the deaths of two or more persons.

Death Specification 2: **Mammone** purposefully caused Eakin's death during the commission of an aggravated burglary, and was the actual killer, or committed the aggravated murder with prior calculation or design.

Gun Specification: **Mammone** used a gun while committing aggravated murder.

Ct. 2: Aggravated burglary. Alleges **Mammone** broke into Margaret Eakin' home with a weapon and inflicted physical harm.

Gun Specification: **Mammone** used a gun while committing aggravated burglary.

Ct. 3: Aggravated murder. Alleges **Mammone** killed, with prior calculation and design, Macy **Mammone**, who was under 13 years of age.

Death Specification 1: Macy **Mammone's** death was part of a course of conduct involving the purposeful killings of two or more persons.

Death Specification 2: **Mammone** purposefully caused the death of Macy **Mammone**, who was under 13 years of age, and was the actual killer or committed the aggravated murder with prior calculation or design.

Ct. 4: Aggravated murder. Alleges **Mammone** killed, with prior calculation and design, James **Mammone IV**, who was under 13 years of age.

Death Specification 1: James **Mammone IV's** death was part of a course of conduct involving the purposeful killings of two or more persons.

Death Specification 2: **Mammone** purposefully caused the death of James **Mammone IV**, who was under 13 years of age, and was the actual killer or committed the aggravated murder with prior calculation or design.

Ct. 5: Aggravated burglary. Alleges **Mammone** broke into the home of his ex-wife, Marcia **Mammone**, with a weapon.

Gun Specification 1: **Mammone** used a gun while committing aggravated burglary.



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Ct. 6: Violation of a protection order. Alleges Mammone violated a protection order by committing the aggravated burglary of his ex-wife's home.

Ct. 7: Attempted arson. Alleges Mammone tried to set fire to a truck parked at the home of his ex-wife.

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## Story 52

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### NOTES & QUOTES

"My niche is the dirt world." Michelle Casto, a heavy-machine operator and graduate of the Project Rebuild Community School, where she received construction training.

"I get a distinct feeling we are making a difference where the rubber meets the road. Kids are coming to us in one frame of mind and leaving with another." Tom Schervish II, Project Rebuild board president.

"I was so lucky. For 19 years, I knew what God wanted me to do." Pat Fehlman, outgoing spokeswoman for Stark County MRDD.

"The big thing we want people to understand is, no one comes out of your refrigerator with a gun and makes you eat. You control everything you do with your body. If we can do this (overeat), we can undo it." The Rev. Mark Brown of Canton, a minister and certified personal trainer.

"I never saw any screaming; I never saw any fighting. He was always courteous to me and other people. But he was strange." Brian Campbell of Canton, describing former neighbor James Mammone III, who confessed last week to killing his two children, Macy and James IV, and his former mother-in-law.

"They were just good, sweet children. Those are the things that break my heart. This is gone forever with these little kids. They gave me such joy." The Rev. Bill Pawson of Westminster Community Presbyterian Church in Canton, which Macy and James Mammone IV attended.

"When Democrats are in power, people are better off. We are the party of the people. We are the party that believes in the people." Outgoing Stark County Democratic Party Chairman Johnnie Maier.

### THE SARAH CHRONICLES

The wrangling over who might challenge President Barack Obama in 2012, may have begun. At the annual National Republican Congressional Committee fundraiser, keynote speaker Newt Gingrich was upstaged by Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin. Though Palin wasn't permitted to speak, she was greeted by the crowd like a rock star.

Palin did have some choice words, however, for "Late Night" show host David Letterman, calling him "pathetic" and "perverted" after he told an off-color joke about one of her daughters. Letterman apologized, kinda, sorta, but countercharged that Palin can't take a joke. Stay tuned.

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## Story 53

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Will this be Canton's deadliest year?

Probably not, though police can do only so much to keep murder rate down

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CANTON With eight homicides in the last four weeks, it would seem like 2009 could be Canton's deadliest year in recent history.

That may be true only if the current pace continues, and history shows that is unlikely.

There is no firm predictor when it comes to homicide rates, investigators say.

And 2009 seems to support that theory. No murders were recorded in the city during the first four months of this year. Then the recent spree of eight.

"It's horrific this is going on. I don't know that law enforcement can really have a huge impact on this," said Canton Safety Director Thomas Nesbitt.

The city's has averaged about nine homicides per year since 2000. The low came in 2002, when four were killed; the most was in 2006, when 10 were killed.

#### DIFFICULT TO STOP

Police efforts are thwarted by the unknown when it comes to preventing the violence.

"We could have a police officer on every corner, and this type of behavior still will take place," Nesbitt said. "The real issue is society, and unfortunately people's view on life anymore.

"A lot of this goes back to families, what they stand for, what they stood for and where they stand now."

When it comes to crimes such as domestic violence, they're unpredictable and "virtually unpreventable" by police and rarely end in death in Canton, said Lt. Jerry Steiner.

"A lot of homicides, it's usually people for one reason or another whose problems with the person that they kill don't always come to the attention of the police prior to the killings," he said. "It'd be nice if you knew a person was going to commit the ultimate act."

He said prevention then could be possible.

"But you just don't know ... You see a lot of homicides that are spur of the moment, emotions-out-of-control type of thing."

#### KILLINGS NOT RANDOM

Most of the 2009 victims were acquainted with their accused killers.

In the most recent case, James **Mammone** III, 35, is charged with killing his ex-mother-in-law and his two children.

"Most times on homicides, the victims do know their killers," Steiner said. "You always hear about serial killers, and there are plenty of them out there. But with homicides, the vast majority of the people who are killed know who their assailants are.

"It's not like somebody's running around out on the street randomly killing people."

Not that Melissa Pinney, Jonathon Pierce or De'Andre Ruffin knew the man accused of killing them in a spray of gunfire outside the White Crown Cafe at Ninth Street and Clarendon Avenue SW during the morning of May 27.

Police don't know for sure.

Detectives do believe, however, the trio — who also were in the company of a 15-year-old girl — just may have been in the wrong place at the wrong time.

The man charged in their deaths, Edward C. Martino III, 24, had been involved a dispute earlier that night inside the bar.

"What the investigation shows is those people were not a part of any of the earlier trouble ... And you have a person who, for whatever reason, decided to take some innocent people's lives," Steiner said.



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## MORE THAN ONE DEAD

Multiple homicides have occurred throughout Canton's history.

Since 2000, there have been two double homicides: A father and son in 2001 and a boyfriend-girlfriend in 2006.

In a New York Times article published April 9, 1892, a Canton man named John McCurdy shot his wife, identified only as Mrs. McCurdy, and S.T. Waltenbaugh, a co-worker he found in their bedroom. Then McCurdy shot himself in the head. Only the woman survived.

It is unusual that the city has had two triple homicides in less than two weeks.

The most violent act in recent years came in 1989, when a man was convicted of killing a family of five.

James M. Rash, 61, is in the Allen Correctional Institution. Hew was convicted of five counts of aggravated murder and one of aggravated arson.

Rash was living in his car parked next to his brother's home when he set fire to the duplex where his estranged girlfriend lived.

Authorities said at the time he knew she wasn't home, but the fire spread, killing a couple and their three small children, who lived in the other half of the duplex.

Rash was spared the death penalty. He will be eligible for parole in about six years.

Canton Police recorded the following numbers of homicides during the following years:

20007

20017

20024

20038

20049

20057

200610

20079

20089

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Canton police have seen eight homicides in a four-week stretch, normally the average for the entire year. Keeping the murder rate down "virtually unpreventable," detectives say.

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## Story 54

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**Headline:** Bond rises for murder suspect

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## Story 55

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Headline: 'We're all hurting' vigil shows support for slain grandmother, children

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REPOSITORY BOB ROSSITER

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## Story 56

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### SLAIN CHILDREN, GRANDMOTHER MOURNED

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CANTON Flowers and family photo albums showing two happy children and their grandmother filled the vestibule of Westminster Community Presbyterian Church.

More than 400 people packed into the sanctuary, the vestibule and the balcony of the small church at 171 Aultman Ave. NW Friday morning.

All came to say goodbye to Margaret Eakin and her grandchildren, Macy and James **Mammone IV**.

Margaret Eakin's mahogany casket rested at the front of the sanctuary between two small white caskets. The one to the right held 5-year-old

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Macy. To the left, her 3-year-old brother. A portrait of each was displayed, and flowers surrounded them.

#### PEWS FILLED

The calling hours weren't supposed to start until 10 a.m., but mourners began filling pews by 9:30. About 10:15, they lined up to greet Marcia **Mammone** and her father, James Eakin, who is Margaret Eakin's husband of 38 years.

Among them was Canton Police Chief Dean McKimm, who arrived near the end of calling hours and joined the other mourners in the funeral service. His officers had arrested Marcia **Mammone**'s ex-husband on Monday.

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#### REPOSITORY SCOTT HECKEL

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n More than 400 people filled a Canton church Friday to mourn two children and their grandmother, killed earlier this week.

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#### Story 57

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#### Editor's note

With their pastor, the Rev. Bill Pawson, acting as intermediary, the Eakin family agreed to our request to cover the funeral Friday of Margaret Eakin, Macy **Mammone** and James **Mammone** IV.

Reporter Lori Monsewicz was inside the church. We agreed to the family's request that she observe but talk to no one. She was the only reporter inside the church.

Photographer Scott Heckel was outside the church, across the street. We agreed to the family's request that we not publish photos of family members.



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Story 58

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Several people verbally accosted Repository photographer Scott Heckel outside the church where about 400 people were gathered Friday for the funeral of Margaret Eakin and her grandchildren, Macy **Mammone** and James **Mammone IV**.

Heckel was shouted at and called nasty names. He came away shaken.

That's too bad, because Heckel was there to do a job — make photos. He had permission from the Eakin family to be outside the Westminster Community Presbyterian Church as the funeral unfolded inside.

Repository reporter Lori Monsewicz was inside the church. She had the family's blessing to be there.

The news media doesn't always show itself well. Print and broadcast reporters and photographers converge on some tragedies like mosquitoes to standing water, and they're about as welcome. It's happened in Stark County before. Remember Bobby Cutts?

Our latest tragic crime — James **Mammone III** has been charged in the slayings of his former mother-in-law and his two children, ages 3 and 5 — brought out the mosquitoes.

There have been slaps of criticism in reader comments at CantonRep.com and elsewhere. The word "ghouls" has been thrown around.

I will not offer a general defense of the news media's behavior in covering this crime. I'm prepared only to describe our behavior here at The Rep.

Like you, we live and work in this community. Our role in reporting and writing and photographing for this story has not been just about work or selling newspapers. It's been about getting our heads around how such a thing could happen to fellow residents. One of our co-workers lives just a few houses from one of this crime's ground zeroes. Another co-worker is related to one of its central figures.

This story came into our office just as it has come into your places of work and your homes — as an emotionally stressful pang of sorrow and hurt that hit close to home. How could such a thing happen? We've asked the question of ourselves and with shaking heads and trembling voices.

This story is not just a story. It's been part of us.

We tried, as we must, to be in touch with members of the Eakin family. Then we respected their wish to be left alone.

We honored their request not to publish in our news columns the photos the family submitted for the obituaries that appeared in this newspaper on Wednesday.

We met with the family pastor, the Rev. Bill Pawson of Westminster Community Presbyterian, on Wednesday to work out a funeral coverage plan. As we told the minister, we wanted to provide coverage because we believed that the community was grieving with the family and would welcome information about the funeral to help them reach their own sense of closure, but that we had no wish for the work of our journalists to cause more stress or hurt for the family.

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## Story 60

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#### Story 62

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zopeintro: The funeral for a Canton woman and her two grandchildren slain this week is underway Friday and mourners are saying good-bye. Cars have surrounded the Westminster Community Presbyterian Church.

CANTON Cars have filled the residential streets outside of Westminster Community Presbyterian Church.

Mourners have gathered Friday to remember Margaret Eakin and her grandchildren, Macy and James **Mammone IV**.

The funeral for the trio started at 11 a.m.

Police have charged James **Mammone III**, father of the two children, with aggravated murder in each of the killings, which happened Monday. Investigators say James **Mammone** wanted his ex-wife, Marcia **Mammone**, to suffer and to inflict "severe emotion pain." The couple's divorce was finalized in April.

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The vigil was held Thursday night after calling hours for Eakin, 57, Macy 5, and James IV, 3.

It's estimated that 1,000 people passed through the church during the first hour of calling hours Thursday night, with hundreds more following during the final two hours.

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### Story 63

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**Headline:** Showing respect for murder victims' family

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Showing respect for murder victims' family

Several people verbally accosted Repository photographer Scott Heckel outside the church where about 400 people were gathered Friday for the funeral of Margaret Eakin and her grandchildren, Macy **Mammone** and James **Mammone IV**.

Heckel was shouted at and called nasty names. He came away shaken.

That's too bad, because Heckel was there to do a job — make photos. He had permission from the Eakin family to be outside the Westminster Community Presbyterian Church as the funeral unfolded inside.

Repository reporter Lori Monsewicz was inside the church. She had the family's blessing to be there.

The news media doesn't always show itself well. Print and broadcast reporters and photographers converge on some tragedies like mosquitoes to standing water, and they're about as welcome. It's happened in Stark County before. Remember Bobby Cutts?

Our latest tragic crime — James **Mammone III** has been charged in the slayings of his former mother-in-law and his two children, ages 3 and 5 — brought out the mosquitoes.

There have been slaps of criticism in reader comments at CantonRep.com and elsewhere. The word "ghouls" has been thrown around.

I will not offer a general defense of the news media's behavior in covering this crime. I'm prepared only to describe our behavior here at The Rep.

Like you, we live and work in this community. Our role in reporting and writing and photographing for this story has not been just about work or selling newspapers. It's been about getting our heads around how such a thing could happen to fellow residents. One of our co-workers lives just a few houses from one of this crime's ground zeroes. Another co-worker is related to one of its central figures.

This story came into our office just as it has come into your places of work and your homes — as an emotionally stressful pang of sorrow and hurt that hit close to home. How could such a thing happen? We've asked the question of ourselves and with shaking heads and trembling voices.

This story is not just a story. It's been part of us.

We tried, as we must, to be in touch with members of the Eakin family. Then we respected their wish to be left alone.

We honored their request not to publish in our news columns the photos the family submitted for the obituaries that appeared in this newspaper on Wednesday.

We met with the family pastor, the Rev. Bill Pawson of Westminster Community Presbyterian, on Wednesday to work out a funeral coverage plan. As we told the minister, we wanted to provide coverage because we believed that the community was grieving with the family and would welcome information about the funeral to help them reach their own sense of closure, but that we had no wish for the work of our journalists to cause more stress or hurt for the family.

In the end, with Pastor Pawson working as intermediary, the Eakin family said they would welcome a reporter inside the church if she observed but talked to no one and would welcome a photographer outside the church if we published no photos of family members.

We agreed to those terms. Heckel and Monsewicz attended the funeral. They did their jobs, respectfully.

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Gauger is Executive Editor of The Repository.

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## Story 64

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Judge won't lower \$15 million bond

By SHANE HOOVER

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CANTON James **Mammone** III called and text-messed his ex-wife around 400 times before trying to break into her house Monday morning, according to court papers.

Police wouldn't detail what **Mammone** said in those messages. He is accused of killing his two children and former mother-in-law, and Wednesday made the first of what likely will be many court appearances. He remains in jail after Municipal Judge John Poulos refused to lower the \$15 million bond.

**Mammone**, 35, of 1424 Fulton Rd. NW, Apt. 6, is charged with three counts of aggravated murder, two counts of aggravated burglary, violating a protection order and two counts of misdemeanor criminal damaging or endangering.

### HIS ATTORNEY DECLINES COMMENT

No pleas were entered on the charges, standard procedure for an initial court appearance on felony charges.

Assistant Stark County Public Defender Jean Madden filed a request with the court that no one discuss the case with **Mammone** outside the presence of his attorneys.

She said she briefly explained to **Mammone** how the court hearing was going to work, and would speak with him later. She declined to comment further on the case.

Authorities say **Mammone** fatally shot his ex-mother-in-law, 57-year-old Margaret J. Eakin, and killed his children, 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV and 5-year-old Macy **Mammone**.

He also tried to break into the home of his ex-wife, Marcia **Mammone**, in the 400 block of Aultmont Avenue NW in Canton Township, and poured gasoline on the home's rear door and a pickup, according to court papers.

Police have said **Mammone** confessed to the killings, saying he wanted to inflict emotional pain by attacking those who were most dear to his ex-wife. The couple's divorce was finalized in April.

Police arrested **Mammone** on Monday morning outside his home about three hours after Eakin's neighbors called 911. His children were found dead in the car.

Stark County Coroner P.S. Murthy said Eakin died as a result of two gunshot wounds, one to the head and one in the shoulder area, and that the children died from multiple stab wounds to their necks.

Murthy wouldn't say when the children died, and referred questions about the timeline of events to police, who have not yet released that information.

### NO CONTACT WITH POLICE BEFORE ARREST

Police Chief Dean McKimm acknowledged that **Mammone** sent multiple text messages to his ex-wife Sunday and Monday morning, but wouldn't discuss the content of those messages.



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The chief also said police didn't have any contact with **Mammone** during the time between the first 911 calls and his apprehension. He said officers staked out **Mammone's** residence and arrested him when he arrived at the apartment building.

"He didn't even get his car parked," McKimm said.

Marcia **Mammone** and her father, James Eakin, didn't attend Wednesday's hearing, but attorney George Urban, who has been the public voice of the family, was there on their behalf.

The family is aware of how the court system works and has faith that county prosecutors will bring **Mammone** to justice, Urban said.

He also said the family is thankful to Canton police and first-responders at the scene, school officials and the community for its continued support and prayers.

James **Mammone** is due back in court next week.

Repository Bob Rossiter

n Murder suspect James **Mammone** III (right) cranes his neck behind a glass partition as he looks into the audience gathered for his first appearance in Canton Municipal Court. He is joined by his attorney, Assistant Stark County Public Defender Jean Madden.

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## Story 65

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zopeintro: The family of Monday's murder victims requests that any vigil in the works for Thursday be held after calling hours at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Canton. "They appreciate the compassion and care of the family," said Pastor William Pawson.

The Mammone family, grieving this week over the slayings of a grandmother and two children, asked Wednesday that any vigil planned for



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Thursday evening be held at 9 p.m. and not earlier.

The family's pastor, The Rev. William Pawson of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Canton, asked The Repository to share this information with the public.

Several people, in reader comments at CantonRep.com, had suggested a vigil outside Westminster Presbyterian to coincide with visiting hours for Margaret Eakin and her two grandchildren, James **Mammone** IV, 3, and Macy **Mammone**, 5.

"They appreciate the compassion and care of the family," Pawson said.

Pawson said the family wants the visitation at the church to be private. And, with the funeral scheduled for Friday, they feel unable to participate in a vigil themselves.

Pawson said the church would welcome a vigil on the church lawn starting at 9 p.m. He said he would attend the vigil to represent the family and will speak if asked.

The church is at 171 Aultman Ave., near the corner of Second Street NW and Whipple Avenue. The church has no parking lot.

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#### Story 68

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ZOPEINTRO: Triple murder suspect James **Mammone** appeared in court Wednesday for the first time. He remains in custody on a \$15 million bond.

Repository staff report

CANTON A judge refused to lower the \$15 million bond for James **Mammone** III, the man accused of killing his two children and former mother-in-law.

**Mammone** made a brief appearance Wednesday morning in Municipal Court, where he was served with complaints charging him with three counts of aggravated murder, two counts of aggravated burglary, violation of a protection order and two counts of misdemeanor criminal damaging or endangering.

**Mammone** did not enter a plea and faced the judge from behind a glass partition, standard procedures during an initial court appearance.

He's due back Tuesday.

Assistant Public Defender Jean Madden requested a more reasonable bond, but her request was denied.

Authorities say **Mammone** fatally shot his ex-mother-in-law, 57-year-old Margaret J. Eakin, and killed his children, 3-year-old James **Mammone** IV and 5-year-old Macy **Mammone**.

Police arrested **Mammone** Monday morning outside his home in the 1400 block of Fulton Road NW.

Sheriff's deputies have charged **Mammone** with aggravated burglary and violation of a court protection order, both felonies, and two counts of misdemeanor criminal damaging or endangering, in connection with his alleged attempt to break into his ex-wife's home in the 400 block of Aultmont Avenue NW in Canton Township.

Police have said **Mammone** confessed to the killings, saying he wanted to inflict emotional pain by attacking those who were most dear to his ex-wife, Marcia **Mammone**. The couples' divorce was finalized in April.

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#### Story 69

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 Headline: We have to want justice, not revenge  
 Credit: Beck, Gayle  
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 Length (In lines): 12

We have to want justice, not revenge

"OK, he confessed don't waste money take out back shoot him!!" A comment on The Repository's Web site about James **Mammone** III, who confessed Tuesday to killing his former mother-in-law and his two children.

For those of us who are watching this awful story play out, it's the most natural thing in the world to want revenge. To feel the same hot-blooded thirst for satisfaction that **Mammone** may have felt Monday when, according to his confession, he killed because he wanted to make his ex-wife suffer. She will, for a lifetime.

James **Mammone** III is likely the most hated man in Stark County today. Which is why most of Stark County won't decide what happens to him.

This is what the rule of law is all about. It rules out mob justice. Only 13 people will make this decision — a jury and a judge.

The legal process that follows **Mammone's** arrest Monday will be long and involved. It will be excruciating for survivors of his three victims. Some observers might think it's utterly unnecessary, given the confession.

But society, represented by 12 jurors, must know exactly what happened, including from **Mammone's** perspective, before it passes judgment.

This is especially true in cases such as this where prosecutors are likely to seek the death penalty — the most serious action, short of war, that our society can take.

**Mammone** will appear in court, flanked by one or more public defenders, for the first time today. This isn't an empty ritual. It's how a criminal justice system has to work when it depends for its decisions on the rule of law, not the passions of its citizens.

As retired appellate Judge John R. Milligan said in answering a question for our recent Law Day project:

"A lawyer not only can, but should, represent a client known or believed to be guilty, to assure that, at every step in the proceeding, the client has been treated in accord with law and consistent with his or her constitutional rights."

This can be such a hard concept to understand, let alone believe in, when passions are running high. Maybe we can all ground ourselves for the weeks to come by thinking about what the countries that we Americans least respect would do in a case such as this.

We are not them. If we really believe in the rule of law, we have to demand a deliberate, orderly process that leads to justice, not revenge.

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## Story 70

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 Headline: MRDD eliminates 5 jobs in cost-cutting moves  
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MRDD eliminates 5 jobs in cost-cutting moves

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CANTON Two children and their grandmother killed early Monday will be remembered in a combined funeral service Friday at the family's church.

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The service for Macy, 5, and James Mammone IV, 3, and their grandmother, Margaret Eakin, 57, begins at 11 a.m. at Westminster Community Church at 171 Aultman Ave. NW.

Calling hours will be held in the church from 5-8 p.m. Thursday and at 10 a.m. Friday.

Police have charged James Mammone III, 35, of [REDACTED] with three counts of aggravated burglary — along with other felony and misdemeanor charges — for a series of incidents Monday morning that ended with the children and their grandmother dead.

On Tuesday afternoon, Police Chief Dean McKimm said Mammone has confessed to the murders.

McKimm said Mammone told detectives that the deaths were an act of vengeance against his ex-wife, Marcia "Marci" Mammone. She is the mother of the two children and Margaret Eakin's daughter.

Police have said that James Mammone went to the Eakins' home on Poplar Avenue NW at about 5:40 a.m. and killed Margaret Eakin, who was found in a second-floor bedroom with multiple gunshot wounds. Officers arrested Mammone three hours later at his apartment. Police found the children's bodies strapped in car seats in Mammone's car.

The deaths shocked family members, their friends and neighbors in the Harter Heights area where the Eakins and Marcia Mammone lived.

Local lawyer George Urban, a friend of the Eakin family, said family members asked him to field calls about the tragedy.

"I volunteered because I'm a friend first," he explained.

Margaret Eakin "was a great woman and cared tremendously for her grandchildren and her three children. She would have done anything for them. She was very proud of them," Urban said.

James Mammone II said he heard of the deaths and his son's arrest late Monday morning. He called it shocking and surreal to watch television news reports of the incidents.

"It's unbelievable. I feel sorry for everybody," the elder Mammone said. "It breaks my heart."

James Mammone III married Marcia Eakin at Westminster church in December 1998. At the time, the couple seemed a perfect match, Mammone's father said.

But last year, Marcia filed for divorce. The next day, her husband promised to put her in her grave. The threat led to a misdemeanor domestic violence charge and conviction for Mammone.

When they married, Mammone worked as an insurance representative and Marcia was a college student, according to the couple's wedding announcement published in The Repository.

But when the divorce was filed, Marcia provided the primary income working as a teacher. Mammone was a part-time pizza delivery driver earning \$7 per hour, plus tips.

John Brenneman, who owns the Hungry Howie's Pizza outlet at 4887 Portage St. NW in Jackson Township, said Mammone showed up for work regularly and never had any complaints against him.

"Myself and all the employees send their deepest sympathies to the family," Brenneman said.

Reed Funeral Home is handling funeral arrangements.

The family asks that donations be considered in lieu of flowers. A memorial fund for the children is set up through Huntington Bank where donations can be made to the Marci Mammone fund. Donations can be made to Westminster Community Church in memory of Margaret Eakin.

Repository staff writers Diana Rossetti and Malcolm Hall contributed to this report.

## Story 71

Newspaper: THE REPOSITORY

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Headline: Canton Police say that James Mammone III has confessed to triple murder

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Canton Police say that James **Mammone** III has confessed to triple murder

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CANTON City police say James **Mammone** III wanted to make his ex-wife suffer, and that's why he fatally stabbed their two young children and shot his former mother-in-law to death.

**Mammone** confessed to Monday's killing spree, police say. Now the 35-year-old Canton man will face murder charges.

"It appears the motive was he wanted to inflict severe emotional pain on his ex-wife," Chief Dean McKimm said. "He has been rather forthcoming in these interviews.

"We believe we obtained what we consider to be a full confession regarding the crimes at hand."

#### POSSIBLE MOTIVE

**Mammone** was arrested Monday morning outside his home at 1424 Fulton Rd. NW.

He is facing three aggravated murder charges in the deaths of Margaret J. Eakin, 57, who was shot multiple times inside her Poplar Avenue NW home, and **Mammone**'s two children, Macy **Mammone**, 5, and James **Mammone** IV, 3. The children suffered stab wounds to their necks.

Canton Police Department detectives have been interviewing **Mammone** since his arrest.

"He harbored ill-will," McKimm said. "He wanted to inflict emotional pain by attacking those who were most dear to his ex-wife."

City police also have charged **Mammone** with aggravated burglary based on an allegation he barged into Margaret Eakin's home in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW.

**Mammone**'s ex-wife is Marcia **Mammone**, who lives in the 400 block of Aultmont Avenue NW, just outside the city limits in Canton Township.

Stark County sheriff's deputies also charged **Mammone** with felony counts of aggravated burglary and violation of a court protection order connected to his alleged attempt to break into his ex-wife's home.

County sheriff deputies also charged **Mammone** with two misdemeanor counts of criminal damaging or endangering stemming from allegations that **Mammone** poured gasoline over the door at his ex-wife's duplex.

He also poured gasoline on a pickup truck belonging to Harold B. Carter, according to complaints sheriff deputies filed with Municipal Court.

Carter is believed to be a friend of Marcia **Mammone**, said Stark County Sheriff Tim Swanson.

#### 'MINIMAL TIMELINE'

Marcia **Mammone** lived a short distance from her mother, Margaret Eakin. The incident at Marcia **Mammone**'s home was reported to authorities within minutes of the homicide on Poplar Avenue NW.

Canton police first were notified of the shooting at Margaret Eakin's home at 5:41 a.m. Monday. Police located **Mammone** at 8:45 a.m., entering the driveway of his home on Fulton.

McKimm would not disclose when and where the children were killed.

"We don't want to engage in speculation," McKimm said. "We have released a fairly minimal timeline right now."

The two children were discovered dead strapped in child safety seats inside the vehicle **Mammone** had been driving.

"My belief is they were killed in those seats," said Harry Campbell, chief investigator with the county coroner's staff. "They were stabbed with a knife to the neck. Several knives were recovered from the car and other weapons. I am not going to be more specific."

Bond for **Mammone** is set at \$15 million.

The deaths make seven homicides in Canton within a three-week period.

Monray J. Jones, 24, was shot and killed outside a tavern in the 2600 block of Eighth Street NE on May 21. Southeast-section resident Marcus

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A. Garner, 24, is charged with murder in the case.

Three people were fatally shot outside another tavern in the 2500 block of Ninth Street SW. Those victims were Melissa Pinney, 31, and Jonathon Pierce, 32, both of Canton, and De'Andre Ruffin, 22, of Massillon.

Edward Martino III, 24, is facing three aggravated murder charges. Those shootings occurred May 27.

Repository staff writer Shane Hoover contributed to this report.

## MAMMONE

Repository Scott Heckel

n Flowers sit on the front steps of Margaret J. Eakin's home in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW on Tuesday. Canton police say James **Mammone** III has confessed to killing his former mother-in-law and his two children as a way of getting back at his ex-wife.

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### Story 72

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CANTON James **Mammone** III wanted to "inflict severe emotional pain" on his ex-wife, according to city police, who say they have a confession from the triple murder suspect.

**Mammone**, 35, who was arrested Monday morning outside his home in the 1400 block of Fulton Road NW, is charged with fatally shooting his ex-mother-in-law and stabbing his two children.

City detectives have been interviewing **Mammone** since his arrest Monday morning.

"He has been rather forthcoming in these interviews," Chief Dean McKimm said.

"We believe we obtained what we consider to be a full confession regarding the crimes at hand. It appears the motive was he wanted to inflict severe emotional pain on his ex-wife. I don't know what the situation was. He harbored ill-will. He wanted to inflict emotional pain by attacking those who were most dear to his ex-wife."

**Mammone** is facing three aggravated murder charges. The victims are Margaret J. Eakin, 57, who was shot multiple times inside her home in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW, and **Mammone's** two children, James **Mammone** IV, 3, and Macy **Mammone**, 5. The children were stabbed in their necks.

**Mammone's** ex-wife is Marcia **Mammone**, who lives in the 400 block of Aultmont Avenue NW, just outside the Canton corporate limit in Canton Township. Their divorce was finalized in April.

Stark County sheriff's deputies also charged **Mammone** with felony counts of aggravated burglary and violation of a court protection order in connection with his alleged attempt to break into his ex-wife's home Monday.

Canton police first were notified of the incident at Margaret Eakin's home on Poplar Avenue NW at 5:41 a.m. Monday. Nearly three hours later, police located **Mammone** at 8:45 a.m. Monday as he was driving into the driveway of his home on Fulton Road NW.

Bodies of the two children were discovered inside **Mammone's** vehicle.

Police have not said where **Mammone** was for the three hours.

When asked when and where the two children were killed, McKimm said, "We are not releasing that information right now. We don't want to engage in speculation. We have released a fairly minimal timeline right now."

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**Mammone** is scheduled to make his first court appearance Wednesday morning. He is being jailed on \$15 million bond.

Tuesday afternoon, public defenders Tamme Johnson and Jean Madden were in Municipal Court, arguing for **Mammone** to be brought before a judge that day for his initial appearance. Judge John Poulos denied the request.

Madden said there was no reason for **Mammone** to appear in court more than 48 hours after his arrest, and that his constitutional rights, including his right to remain silent, needed to be protected, given that the charges will likely result in a death-penalty case.

City Prosecutor Ty Hauritz said the hearing date was a function of when **Mammone** was booked into jail Monday afternoon, and that his rights weren't being violated.

The public defenders had not been officially appointed to represent **Mammone** — although they likely will be — and had not yet met with him. At the time, they were unaware that he had given statements to the police.

After news of the alleged confession surfaced, Madden said she had concerns about **Mammone's** mental state and whether he understands his right to remain silent.

"When you hold (defendants) at the county (jail) for an extended period of time without access to counsel, that's a serious concern," she said.

Later, she filed court papers stating that **Mammone** doesn't wish to speak with anyone about the case without his lawyers present.

Repository staff writer Shane Hoover contributed to this report.

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### Story 73

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CANTON City police say James **Mammone III** wanted to make his ex-wife suffer, and that's why he fatally stabbed their two young children and shot his former mother-in-law to death.

**Mammone** confessed to Monday's killing spree, police say. Now the 35-year-old Canton man will face murder charges.

"It appears the motive was he wanted to inflict severe emotional pain on his ex-wife," Police Chief Dean McKimm said. "He has been rather forthcoming in these interviews. We believe we obtained what we consider to be a full confession regarding the crimes at hand."

#### POSSIBLE MOTIVE

**Mammone** was arrested Monday morning outside his home at 1424 Fulton Rd. NW.

He is facing three aggravated murder charges in the deaths of Margaret J. Eakin, 57, who was shot multiple times inside her Poplar Avenue NW home, and **Mammone's** two children, Macy **Mammone**, 5, and James **Mammone IV**, 3. The children suffered stab wounds to their necks.

Police Department detectives have been interviewing **Mammone** since his arrest.

"He harbored ill-will," McKimm said. "He wanted to inflict emotional pain by attacking those who were most dear to his ex-wife."

City police also have charged **Mammone** with aggravated burglary based on an allegation he barged into Margaret Eakin's home in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW.

**Mammone's** ex-wife is Marcia **Mammone**, who lives in the 400 block of Aultmont Avenue NW, just outside the city limits in Canton Township.



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Stark County sheriff's deputies also charged **Mammone** with felony counts of aggravated burglary and violation of a court protection order connected to his alleged attempt to break into his ex-wife's home.

Sheriff deputies also charged **Mammone** with two misdemeanor counts of criminal damaging or endangering stemming from allegations that **Mammone** poured gasoline over the door at his ex-wife's duplex.

He also poured gasoline on a pickup truck belonging to Harold B. Carter, according to complaints sheriff deputies filed with Municipal Court.

Carter is believed to be a friend of Marcia **Mammone**, said Stark County Sheriff Tim Swanson.

#### 'MINIMAL TIME LINE'

Marcia **Mammone** lived a short distance from her mother, Margaret Eakin. The incident at Marcia **Mammone**'s home was reported to authorities within minutes of the homicide on Poplar Avenue NW.

Police first were notified of the shooting at Margaret Eakin's home at 5:41 a.m. Monday. Police located **Mammone** at 8:45 a.m., entering the driveway of his home on Fulton.

McKimm would not disclose when and where the children were killed.

"We don't want to engage in speculation," McKimm said. "We have released a fairly minimal time line right now."

The two children were discovered dead, strapped in child safety seats inside the vehicle **Mammone** had been driving.

"My belief is they were killed in those seats," said Harry Campbell, chief investigator with the county coroner's staff. "They were stabbed with a knife to the neck. Several knives were recovered from the car and other weapons. I am not going to be more specific."

Bond for **Mammone** is set at \$15 million.

The deaths make seven homicides in Canton within a three-week period.

Monray J. Jones, 24, was shot and killed outside a tavern in the 2600 block of Eighth Street NE on May 21. Southeast-section resident Marcus A. Garner, 24, is charged with murder in the case.

Three people were fatally shot outside another tavern in the 2500 block of Ninth Street SW. Those victims were Melissa Pinney, 31, and Jonathon Pierce, 32, both of Canton, and De'Andre Ruffin, 22, of Massillon.

Edward Martino III, 24, is facing three aggravated murder charges. Those shootings occurred May 27.

#### MAMMONE

Repository Scott Heckel

Flowers sit on the front steps of Margaret J. Eakin's home in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW on Tuesday. Canton police say James **Mammone** III has confessed to killing his former mother-in-law and his two children as a way of getting back at his ex-wife.

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#### Story 74

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#### REPOSITORY STAFF REPORT

CANTON A combined funeral service is planned Friday morning for two children and their grandmother who died early Monday, apparently at the hands of the youngsters' father.

The service for Macy, 5, and James **Mammone** IV, 3, and Margaret J. Eakin, 57, their grandmother, is 11 a.m. Friday at Westminster Community Church, 171 Aultman Ave. NW. Calling hours will begin at 10 a.m. There also are calling hours Thursday from 5-8 p.m. at the church.

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Reed Funeral Home is handling services.

A memorial fund for the children has been established through Huntington Bank where donations can be made to the Marci **Mammone** fund. Donations can be made to Westminster Community Church in memory of Mrs. Eakin. The family asks that donations be considered in lieu of flowers.

James **Mammone** III, 35, of [REDACTED] Canton, is charged with three counts aggravated burglary — along with other felony and misdemeanor charges — for a series of incidents Monday morning that ended with the children and their grandmother dead.

Police have said that James **Mammone** III went to the Eakins home on Poplar Avenue NW at about 5:40 a.m. and killed Mrs. Eakin. He was arrested three hours later at his apartment building. Police found the bodies of his children in Mammon's car strapped in their car seats.

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## Story 75

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CANTON James **Mammone** III, the 35-year-old accused of killing his two children and ex-mother-in-law, is facing new charges in connection with an incident at the Canton Township home of his former wife.

The Stark County sheriff's staff charged **Mammone** with felony counts of violation of a court protection order and aggravated burglary. Also, county sheriff deputies filed two counts of criminal damaging against **Mammone**.

The new charges were filed Tuesday morning in Canton Municipal Court.

City police had charged **Mammone** Monday with three counts of aggravated murder and one count of aggravated burglary.

**Mammone**, of [REDACTED] is suspected of killing his children, Macy **Mammone**, 5, and James **Mammone** IV, 3, Monday. The children were stabbed in their throats. Authorities discovered their bodies in a vehicle outside the suspect's apartment building.

**Mammone** is accused of fatally shooting his former mother-in-law, Margaret Eakin, at her home Monday in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW.

The new charges involve allegations that **Mammone** broke door windows at the home of Marcia **Mammone** in the 400 block of Aultmont Avenue NW, just outside the city corporation line in Canton Township.

The **Mammone**'s divorce was finalized in April.

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## Story 76

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zoepintro: Murder suspect not due in Canton Municipal Tuesday. James **Mammone** III is expected to appear on Wednesday.

CANTON The suspect in the murder of three people Monday won't make his first court appearance until Wednesday.

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James **Mammone III** is not on Tuesday's court roster and not due into Municipal Court, officials said.

Instead he will make his initial appearance early Wednesday.

**Mammone**, 35, of Canton, faces three counts of aggravated murder and an aggravated burglary charge. He's accused of killing his former mother-in-law and his two children, ages 3 and 5.

Margaret Eakin, 57, was shot to death in her Canton home and the children, Macy and James **Mammone IV**, were found stabbed inside **Mammone's** car following a police manhunt that ended at his apartment complex on Fulton Road NW.

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## Story 77

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CANTON A local attorney issued a brief statement late this afternoon on behalf of the Eakin family.

"It's a horrible tragedy. The family is grieving," said attorney George Urban.

"They would appreciate some time to deal with this loss and tragedy."

Margaret's husband, Jim, does not wish to speak publicly at this point, Urban said.

"The whole family is together and ... making the appropriate arrangements and dealing with this as a family."

Urban said the family does "appreciate all the support and the outpouring from the community."

James **Mammone III** had been working as a pizza deliverer.

"Myself and all the employees send their deepest sympathies to the family," said John Brenneman, who owns the Hungry Howie's Pizza outlet at 4887 Portage St. NW in Jackson Township where **Mammone** was employed.

"He was a part-time delivery driver. He showed up for work regularly. We never had any complaints against him. I believe he has worked there for over a year."

County investigators say James **Mammone III** also tried to break in to his ex-wife's home while she was home Monday morning.

Broken windows can be seen in the doors to the Canton Township apartment on Aultman Avenue NW.

"It doesn't appear he gained entry. Upon our arrival, he was gone," said Capt. Gary Shankle of the county sheriff's staff.

It was 5:43 a.m. Monday when sheriff's deputies received an emergency call concerning the attempted break-in in the 400 block of Aultman Avenue NW.

The duplex apartment is just outside the Canton city corporation line, putting it in the Stark County sheriff's jurisdiction.

Marcia **Mammone** was in the apartment when the would-be intruder attempted to barge in.

"She felt that it was James that was attempting to break-in," Shankle said. "She didn't have any contact with him. She stayed upstairs. We are still looking at possible charges."

An autopsy was being conducted Monday on Margaret Eakin, said Stark County Coroner's Chief Inspector Harry M. Campbell.

The children's autopsies will be completed Tuesday.

Bond has been set at \$15 million for murder suspect James **Mammone**.

Court records show he's facing three counts of aggravated murder and one charge of aggravated burglary.

The Police Department got its first call mentioning gunshots at 5:41 a.m. in the 300 block of Poplar NW.



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"When we arrived, in an upstairs room, we found a victim of an apparent gunshot wound. The victim is Margaret Eakin, 57," said Police Chief Dean McKimm.

"Shortly thereafter, the police department became aware of a trouble call in the 400 block of Aultman NW. It was outside the city limits and our jurisdiction. Due to these two calls and the circumstances surrounding them, family members became concerned for the welfare of two children in the care of the suspect, James **Mammone** III, father of the children," McKimm said.

"James **Mammone** is the ex-son-in-law of Margaret Eakin, the first victim, and he's also the ex-husband of Marcia **Mammone** who lives in the 400 block of Aultman NW."

The Canton Police Department and Stark County Sheriff's office began a search for James **Mammone**.

Police caught up with him around 8:45 a.m. at an apartment complex in the 1400 block of Fulton Road NW in his vehicle in the parking lot. He was taken into custody.

"Unfortunately, officers discovered in the back seat of the vehicle two children who were expired, apparent victims of knife wounds."

James **Mammone** III will be charged with three counts of aggravated murder and one count of burglary. He was taken to the Stark County Jail, according to Police Chief Dean McKimm.

The Mammones lived in a home on Ridge Road NW before their recent divorce.

Neighbors there say they were aware of the break-up.

"One day she came over crying and said, 'Will you keep an eye out for me? I am going through a divorce. He might bother me.' She is a school teacher. She was the nicest person, the kids were nice," said Bob Kakascik, who lives in the 1400 block of Ridge Avenue NW, next door to the couple's former residence.

Kakascik described James **Mammone** as someone who seldomly did yard work.

"He was in another world," Kakascik said. "The guy was strange."

"He was some kind of salesman," said Brian Campbell, who lives in the 1400 block of Ridge Avenue NW, across the street from the Mammones' former home.

"I used to see him come in late, past what normal people would. I never saw any screaming, I never saw any fighting. He was always courteous to me and other people. But he was strange."

A neighbor had called Kit Kuhle who lives across the street from the apartment building in the 1400 block of Fulton Road NW.

"She said, 'Do you know there are two men sitting in a car in your driveway? They look like police,'" said Kuhle. "So I went outside and they rolled down their window and told me 'We're commandeering your home. We have a situation here.' Then they asked me to go back inside and stay there."

Only seconds later, as she watched from an upstairs window, she saw the unmarked car in her driveway speed across the street and block a tan car's exit.

Soon, police and city fire vehicles had blocked off the street. The suspect, John **Mammone** III, who witnesses say offered little resistance, was taken to the city jail.

White sheets quickly were draped over the tan car's windows. A tall tarpaulin was drawn across the driveway, blocking the view of the crowd that had gathered across the street.

Within minutes Canton City Police Chief Dean McKimm and Stark County Coroner P.S. Murthy arrived together, ducking under the yellow crime scene tape and disappearing behind the tarpaulin.

When Murthy was leaving the scene, he said, "I'll be .... frank with you. I have a dead lady in my office. And two children still are in the back seat of that car."

Asked how the children were murdered, Murthy drew his finger like a knife blade across his neck.

At 5:40 a.m., Ed and Katy Roth heard gunshots and a woman's screams near their Poplar Avenue NW home. Ed grabbed his cell phone and headed outside, where he saw a tan, four-door car speed away, heading north on Poplar. Roth ran to the home of his neighbors across the street, Margaret and Jim Eakin, and called for Margaret.

"I knew she'd be there with the kids," he said, referring to Eakin's grandchildren, Macy, 5, and James **Mammone**, 3. Margaret Eakin cared for the children while their mother, Eakin's daughter, Marcia **Mammone**, recently divorced, worked, neighbors said.

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Neighbor Tricia King came out of her home, also spotting the tan car.

"It just seemed to stop at Fourth Street (NW) and sit there longer than you would have thought for the way it was speeding up the street," she recalled, adding that she had heard three gunshots.

Canton police have scheduled a press conference for 2 p.m. at City Hall.

The conference is to "share limited details regarding three homicides that took place early this morning in Canton.

Attorney Gary Procario, who represented James **Mammone III** in his April divorce from Marcia **Mammone**, was shocked by the news. "Oh, no. Oh, no," he said, acknowledging that he also had represented James **Mammone** when **Mammone's** wife filed for an order of protection after a domestic violence incident.

Procario declined further comment.

More details from their divorce decree:

Marcia had residential placement and custody of their two children, Macy and James IV.

James had companionship visits several days a week:

Pickup and drop off at Margaret Eakin's home on Poplar Avenue NW.

Marcia **Mammone** a civil protection order against James following his threats in June 2008.

The order was still in effect Monday, court records show.

James **Mammone III** has listed his occupation in court papers as a pizza delivery man and a student at Kent State Stark.

James **Mammone III**, 35, was arrested and charged with domestic violence on June 13, 2008.

Investigators say he told his wife, "I'll put you in a grave" and "I'm going to kill you."

He was pleaded no contest to the misdemeanor charge and was convicted in Municipal Court. He was put on probation for two years.

James **Mammone III** and his wife, Marcia, were married on Dec. 5, 1998.

Their divorce was finalized April 17 of this year.

The victims in today's slaying have been released:

- Margaret J. Eakin, 57, of Poplar Ave. NW. She died from multiple gunshot wounds.
- Macy **Mammone**, 5, and her brother, James **Mammone IV**, 3, were found with their throats slashed.

The children's father, James **Mammone III**, is in custody.

Stark County Coroner's office chief inspector Harry M. Campbell said autopsies would be conducted on the victims today and Tuesday.

Michele Evans-Gardell, superintendent of Canton City Schools, said the district's internal crisis team has been activated to provide support, including coping help, to teachers and other faculty members within the district.

Marcia "Marci" **Mammone** teaches math at Timken High School, and she has "a lot of close friends in the teaching ranks," at both Timken and McKinley High School, Evans-Gardell said.

"This is a very sad day for Canton City Schools," she added. "Everyone is still reeling."

Monday was a scheduled half day for teachers. The last day for students was Friday.

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## Story 78

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#### Correction

Canton firemen covered a car outside of James **Mammone** III's apartment building Monday morning. The men were misidentified Tuesday in the Main News section, Page A-1, in a photo caption.

n The Repository is committed to accuracy. Find out how to report an error on Page A-2.

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#### Story 79

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#### REPOSITORY STAFF REPORT

CANTON Bob Kakascik remembers the day his neighbor, Marcia **Mammone**, came to his home, crying.

" 'Will you keep an eye out for me? I am going through a divorce,' " Kakascik recalled her asking. She was afraid her estranged husband, James **Mammone** III, might bother her.

"She was the nicest person; the kids were nice," said Kakascik, who lives in the 1400 block of Ridge Road NW, next door to the couple's former residence.

Authorities say James **Mammone** III, 35, killed his children — 5-year-old Macy and 3-year-old James IV — and his former mother-in-law, Margaret J. Eakin, 57, on Monday.

James and Marcia **Mammone** married in 1998, records show.

Marcia, 29, is a math teacher at Canton City's Timken High School. In court papers, James listed his occupations as a pizza delivery man and Kent State University Stark Campus student, although he is no longer enrolled, according to the university.

Marcia filed for divorce June 12, 2008. A day later, James threatened her, saying "I'll put you in a grave," and "I'm going to kill you," according to a domestic-violence complaint.

James was convicted a week later, after pleading no contest to misdemeanor domestic violence.

Municipal Court Judge Mary Falvey placed him on probation for two years, ordered him to comply with a psychological program and told him to have no contact with Marcia, according to court papers.

A week later, Marcia sought a civil protection order. In paperwork, she said James repeatedly threatened to kill her if she left him.

The protection order barred James from having any contact with Marcia or the children outside of court-approved supervision.

A Stark County Family Court magistrate initially allowed James to have supervised visits with his children only at his mother's home. Later, the visits became unsupervised.

In March, the Mammones came to court with their attorneys and agreed to settle the divorce. The final order was filed in April.

The Mammones agreed the children would stay with Marcia, and James would have visitation three days a week, including overnight visits on alternating Sundays and Tuesdays, according to court papers and an audio recording of the hearing.

The children were to be picked up and dropped off at Eakin's house and had to spend the night at the home of James' mother, until he found suitable housing, according to court papers.

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## Story 80

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The unthinkable happens again

Canton is in shock today. The unthinkable has happened again — another heartbreaking crime spree that has left three people dead.

To the outside world, this may paint a picture of Canton that is at odds with everyday life here.

We who love this city know that, but it is a concern for another day.

Today the community grieves with and for Marcia **Mammone** and her family, as we did two weeks ago with and for the families of Jonathon Pierce, De'Andre Ruffin and Melissa L. Pinney.

All of the families are facing the unimaginable finality of their loved ones' violent deaths.

The circumstances of the two tragedies were so different.

The victims Monday were Mrs. **Mammone**'s two children, 5-year-old Macy and 3-year-old James **Mammone IV**, and her mother, Margaret Eakin. They allegedly were targeted by the children's father.

On May 27, the three adults were gunned down at random outside a closed bar.

But all six victims shared a fate that they didn't invite and didn't deserve.

It's true, as the poet said, that no man is an island. Six lives have been senselessly extinguished in an instant. We are all diminished by these killings.

We cannot share the depth of the pain the families are feeling, but this community will stand with them in any way we can, for as long as necessary.

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## Story 81

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Brian Campbell, who lives across the street from the Mammones' former home, said he never saw the Mammones fight.

"I never saw any screaming; I never saw any fighting," Campbell said. "He was always courteous to me and other people. But he was strange."

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#### Story 82

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'He's been acting crazy all night

— Marcia **Mammone** talking about her ex-husband to a 911 dispatcher

Repository staff report

CANTON One year ago, James **Mammone** III threatened to send his wife to her grave.

Marcia **Mammone** is alive today, but her two young children are dead, police say, at the hands of their father.

James **Mammone** also is accused of murdering his former mother-in-law, Margaret J. Eakin, during a wave of violence that began just before dawn Monday at Eakin's house and ended hours later with the children's bodies being recovered from a car outside James **Mammone**'s apartment building at 1424 Fulton Rd. NW.

**Mammone** III, 35, is charged by Canton police with three counts of aggravated murder and one count of aggravated burglary. He is being held in the Stark County Jail in lieu of \$15 million bond, accused of stabbing his children — Macy **Mammone**, 5, and James **Mammone** IV, 3 — in their throats. Their bodies were found in their car seats.

"It's a horrible tragedy. The family is grieving," attorney George Urban said on behalf of the Eakin family.

It was the city's second triple homicide in less than two weeks.

#### POLICE WON'T SPECULATE

Canton police have released some details but are being cautious as detectives continue investigating the deaths.

The sequence of events, including when the children were killed, remained unclear late Monday, Canton Police Chief Dean McKimm said. He declined to elaborate on the motive for the murders.

But court records show James **Mammone** III — after learning last June that his wife wanted a divorce — told Marcia **Mammone** he would put her "in a grave."

He pleaded no contest to domestic violence, a misdemeanor, and was sentenced to two years probation, according to court records.

Marcia **Mammone** had a civil protection order in effect against him. Their divorce was finalized April 17.

#### SHOTS AWAKEN NEIGHBORS

The drama began around 5:40 a.m. at the home of Margaret and Jim Eakin of the 300 block of Poplar Avenue NW.

Neighbors Ed and Katy Roth said they heard gunshots and a woman screaming.

"I grabbed my cell phone and headed for the door," said Ed Roth who lives across the street from the Eakins in the quiet Harter Heights neighborhood. "I saw a tan, four-door car heading north on Poplar as I was running across the street. It stopped at the stop sign on Fourth Street (NW) and hesitated, then turned right."

Roth said he went to the Eakins' front door and called for Margaret Eakin, knowing her husband already had left for work. There was no response.

By then, Katy Roth was on the scene and another neighbor, Tricia King, who heard three gunshots, had come out of her house nearby.

The trio spotted the tan car again heading toward the Eakins' home and quickly returned to their respective homes.

Police arrived soon after and found Margaret Eakin in an upstairs room with multiple gunshot wounds. She was taken by a Canton City Fire Department squad to Aultman Hospital and pronounced dead at 6:38 a.m.

One murder charge and the burglary charge are tied to the Poplar Avenue address, according to court records.

Margaret Eakins routinely cared for her grandchildren while her daughter, Marcia **Mammone**, worked as a schoolteacher. The Mammones would pick up or drop off the children at the Eakins home, according to court records.

James **Mammone** had picked up his son and daughter Sunday for a visit.

#### FRANTIC CALL

Moments after Poplar Avenue NW residents reported gunshots in their neighborhood, Marcia **Mammone** — who lives in a Aultmont Avenue



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NW duplex less than one-quarter mile from her parents' home — was calling for help.

She told emergency dispatchers that her ex-husband was in the driveway of the duplex pouring gasoline over a vehicle parked there. Meanwhile, she said she could see her children in the back seat of James **Mammone**'s car.

"He's been acting crazy all night. He needs arrested," Marcia says on the 911 tape.

Seconds later Marcia's voice became frantic.

"He just broke in! Oh My God. He just broke in!" she said. "Please just get someone here. He's probably pouring gasoline downstairs, too!"

**Mammone** smashed the rear screen door, but didn't get into the house. He might have been frightened away by a friend who was there with Marcia. Shattered glass was piled at the back door.

Stark County sheriff's deputies were sent to the residence, which is in Canton Township, but James **Mammone** was gone when deputies arrived.

Tire tracks show that he drove through grass to the parking area of neighboring apartment houses, then likely drove south on Harter Avenue and cut over to Poplar Avenue.

"What it appears in our investigation is that individual that was arrested in the triple homicide had also been at that residence and tried to gain entry," Sheriff's Capt. Gary Shankle said.

Marcia stayed upstairs until deputies arrived. "She didn't have any contact with him," Shankle said, adding that deputies are looking into charges against James **Mammone**.

#### TRAGIC ENDING

Investigators tied the shooting and attempted break-in together quickly. Realizing that **Mammone** had his children, officers began searching. They later descended on an apartment building at 1424 Fulton, where residents said **Mammone** lived on the second floor.

Police have not said where **Mammone** might have gone during the three hours after he left Marcia's duplex.

Around 8:45 a.m., police followed **Mammone**'s tan Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme into the Fulton apartment's driveway. Plain clothes officers used an unmarked vehicle to block his escape.

"I was just watching television," said John Watts, a tenant in an adjacent building who went to his window when he heard shouting and saw officers with guns drawn ordering **Mammone** out of the car.

McKimm said **Mammone** didn't resist and was taken into custody without incident.

That's when police found the children in the car.

Soon emergency vehicles blocked the street. White sheets draped the car's windows. A tall tarpaulin was drawn across the driveway blocking the view of a crowd gathered across the street.

Stark County Coroner's office chief inspector Harry M. Campbell said autopsies of the three victims began on Monday. Coroner P.S. Murthy had expected to finish Mrs. Eakin on Monday and the children on Tuesday.

Repository staff writers Diana Rossetti, Malcolm Hall, Edd Pritchard and Shane Hoover compiled this report.

#### TIME LINE

5:41 a.m.: Residents in the 300 block of Poplar Street NW call 911 after hearing gunshots and a woman's screams. Canton police respond, finding 57-year-old Margaret Eakin with gunshot wounds in an upstairs room of her home.

5:43 a.m.: Stark County Sheriff's Office receive a 911 call from Marcia **Mammone** on Aultmont Avenue NW. She said James **Mammone III**, her former husband was trying to break down the door of her home.

6:38 a.m.: Margaret Eakin is pronounced dead at Aultman Hospital.

8:45 a.m.: Canton police officers find James **Mammone III** in the driveway of his apartment building at 1424 Fulton Rd. NW. He is arrested without incident. Officers find his two children in the back seat of **Mammone**'s car. They appear to have died from knife wounds.

2 p.m.: Chief Dean McKimm holds a press conference telling reporters that James **Mammone III** will be charged with three counts of aggravated murder and one count of aggravated burglary. He currently is in the Stark County Jail on a \$15 million bond.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
STARK COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO

CASE NO. 2009 CR 0859

Plaintiff

VS.

CRIMINAL CASE  
SUBPOENA

JAMES MAMMONE

Defendant

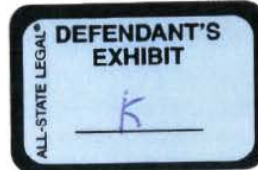
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You are hereby commanded to appear before the Stark County Court of Common Pleas Courthouse, located at 115 Market Avenue North, Canton, OH 44702, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. to testify as a witness in the above-titled criminal action on behalf of the Defendant, James Mammone.

  
Derek J. Lowry-Attorney For The Defendant

Phone (330) 452-6773

THE STATE OF OHIO  
Stark County, ss

To the Sheriff of Stark County, Ohio, Greetings:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUBPOENA THE ABOVE NAMED PERSONS, to wit:

To be and appear before the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Stark, at the Stark County Courthouse, 115 Market Avenue N., Canton, Ohio, in said County, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009 at 1:00 o'clock P.M., to testify as a witness in the above entitled criminal action. Hereof fail not under penalty of the law, and have then and there this writ:

The Clerk of Courts will not pay witness fee at the time of appearance.  
The fee will be mailed from the Auditor's Office within 10 days.

Witness my hand and Seal of said Court, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct, A.D. 2009  
NANCY REINBOLD, Clerk of Court of Common Pleas.  
By   
Deputy Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas



CANTON MURDERS-CM-6/8/09

CANTON POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING WHAT CONNECTION THERE MAY BE BETWEEN THIS MORNING'S MURDERS OF A WOMAN AND TWO CHILDREN. THE WOMAN'S BODY WAS FOUND JUST BEFORE SIX O'CLOCK IN THE 300 BLOCK OF POPLAR AVENUE NORTHWEST. THE CHILDREN...AROUND AGES 3 AND 5...WERE FOUND IN A CAR IN THE 14-HUNDRED BLOCK OF FULTON DRIVE NORTHWEST. A MALE SUSPECT HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. IT'S BELIEVED THE WOMAN AND CHILDREN ARE RELATED.

CANTON MURDERS 2-CM-6/8/09

A WOMAN AND TWO CHILDREN WERE FOUND MURDERED IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF CANTON THIS MORNING. THE WOMAN WAS FOUND JUST AFTER 5:30 IN THE 300 BLOCK OF POPLAR AVENUE NORTHWEST. THE CHILDREN...AROUND AGES 3 AND 5...WERE FOUND IN A CAR IN THE 14-HUNDRED BLOCK OF FULTON DRIVE NORTHWEST. IT'S BELIEVED THE VICTIMS ARE RELATED. ONE MAN HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

MAMMONE-CM-6/9/09

CANTON POLICE CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE THE MURDERS OF A CANTON WOMAN AND HER TWO GRANDCHILDREN MONDAY MORNING. 35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE III IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER. HIS MOTHER IN LAW...57-YEAR-OLD MARGARET EAKIN...WAS SHOT TO DEATH AT HER HOME. MAMMONE'S TWO CHILDREN...AGES THREE AND FIVE...WERE STABBED TO DEATH IN MAMMONE'S CAR. HE IS BEING HELD IN THE STARK COUNTY JAIL ON 15-MILLION DOLLARS BOND. MAMMONE AND HIS WIFE WERE DIVORCED IN APRIL.

MAMMONE 2-CM-6/9/09

A CANTON MAN IS IN THE STARK COUNTY JAIL ON 15-MILLION DOLLARS BOND. 35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE III IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER. MAMMONE'S MOTHER-IN-LAW...57-YEAR-OLD MARGARET EAKIN...WAS SHOT TO DEATH IN HER HOME MONDAY MORNING. HIS TWO CHILDREN...AGES THREE AND FIVE...WERE LATER STABBED TO DEATH IN MAMMONE'S CAR. MAMMONE AND HIS WIFE WERE DIVORCED IN APRIL. POLICE HAVE NOT RELEASED A MOTIVE FOR THE INCIDENT.

MAMMONE 3-CM-6/9/09

35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE III OF CANTON WILL BE IN CANTON COURT WEDNESDAY MORNING...CHARGED WITH THE MURDERS OF HIS TWO CHILDREN AND HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW. MAMMONE IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER AND ONE COUNT OF AGGRAVATED BURGLARY. CHARGES OF VIOLATING A PROTECTION ORDER AND AGGRAVATED BURGLARY WERE ALSO FILED TODAY IN CONNECTION WITH MAMMONE'S ATTEMPT TO BREAK INTO THE CANTON TOWNSHIP HOME OF HIS FORMER WIFE. SHE WAS NOT HARMED. MAMMONE IS IN THE STARK COUNTY JAIL ON 15-MILLION DOLLARS BOND.



MAMMONE 4-CM-6/9/09

ADDITIONAL CHARGES WERE FILED THIS MORNING AGAINST THE CANTON MAN ACCUSED OF KILLING HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW AND TWO CHILDREN. 35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE III WAS CHARGED WITH VIOLATING A PROTECTION ORDER AND AGGRAVATED BURGLARY IN CONNECTION WITH MAMMONE'S ATTEMPT TO BREAK INTO THE CANTON TOWNSHIP HOME OF HIS EX-WIFE. MAMMONE ALREADY FACES THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER. HE IS IN THE STARK COUNTY JAIL ON 15-MILLION DOLLARS BOND. HE WILL BE IN CANTON MUNICIPAL COURT WEDNESDAY MORNING.

MAMMONE-CM-6/18/09

THE CANTON MAN ACCUSED OF KILLING HIS TWO CHILDREN AND HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW WILL BE ARRAIGNED FRIDAY. 35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE III IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER. HE COULD FACE THE DEATH PENALTY. THE GRAND JURY INDICTED MAMMONE WEDNESDAY...AVOIDING A SCHEDULED HEARING TODAY. COMMON PLEAS JUDGE JOHN HAAS IS ASSIGNED TO THE CASE. MAMMONE IS STILL IN THE STARK COUNTY JAIL ON 15-MILLION DOLLARS BOND.

MAMMONE 2-CM-6/18/09

ARRAIGNMENT WILL BE FRIDAY FOR 35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE III OF CANTON. MAMMONE IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER IN THE DEATHS OF HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW AND TWO CHILDREN LAST WEEK. A HEARING HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TODAY...BUT THE GRAND JURY HANDED DOWN AN INDICTMENT ON WEDNESDAY. COMMON PLEAS JUDGE JOHN HAAS WILL HEAR THE CASE.

MAMMONE-RM-6/19/09

JAMES MAMMONE III APPEARED BEFORE JUDGE JOHN HAAS AT THE STARK COUNTY JAIL TODAY. MAMMONE PLEAD NOT GUILTY TO THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER. HE'S ACCUSED OF KILLING HIS TWO CHILDREN AND HIS EX-MOTHER-IN-LAW IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF JUNE 8. IF CONVICTED, MAMMONE COULD FACE THE DEATH PENALTY. HE COULD ALSO BE SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON WITHOUT PAROLE, LIFE IN PRISON WITH PAROLE ELIGIBILITY AFTER 30 YEARS, OR LIFE IN PRISON WITH PAROLE ELIGIBILITY AFTER 25 YEARS. POLICE SAY MAMMONE HAS CONFESSED TO THE KILLINGS, SAYING HE WAS TRYING TO INFLECT EMOTIONAL PAIN ON HIS EX-WIFE. A TRIAL IS TENTATIVELY SET FOR JANUARY

MAMMONE--CM--7/2/09

A CANTON MAN ACCUSED OF SHOOTING HIS TWO CHILDREN AND MOTHER-IN-LAW TO DEATH WILL GO ON TRIAL EARLY NEXT YEAR. 35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE WAIVED HIS RIGHT TO A SPEEDY TRIAL WEDNESDAY IN A COURT APPEARANCE. JANUARY 11TH WAS SET AS THE TRIAL DATE BY COMMON PLEAS JUDGE JOHN HAAS. MAMMONE IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER...AND COULD FACE THE DEATH PENALTY.

MAMMONE 2--CM--7/2/09

35-YEAR-OLD JAMES MAMMONE WILL STAND TRIAL ON THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER JANUARY 11TH. MAMMONE WAIVED HIS RIGHT TO A SPEEDY TRIAL IN A WEDNESDAY COURT APPEARANCE. HE IS CHARGED WITH KILLING HIS SON AND DAUGHTER AND FORMER MOTHER-IN-LAW IN CANTON JUNE EIGHTH...AND FACES A POSSIBLE DEATH SENTENCE. THE TRIAL IS THE HANDS OF COMMON PLEAS JUDGE JOHN HAAS.

MAMMONE-CM-10/7/09

ATTORNEYS FOR AN ACCUSED MURDERER WANT THEIR CLIENT'S TRIAL MOVED OUT OF STARK COUNTY. JAMES MAMMONE IS CHARGED WITH THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER IN THE DEATHS OF HIS FORMER MOTHER-IN-LAW AND TWO CHILDREN. THE ATTORNEYS SAY MEDIA COVERAGE IN CANTON AND COMMENTS IN PUBLIC ONLINE POSTING SITES MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO SEAT AN IMPARTIAL JURY. MAMMONE IS SCHEDULED TO GO ON TRIAL JANUARY 11TH FOR KILLING THE THREE ON JUNE EIGHTH.



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Before me, the undersigned notary public, this day, personally, appeared Patrick DeLuca, Charlotte DiFranco, and Jason Pantea to me known, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes the following:

On August 25<sup>th</sup> at approximately 6:35 AM we entered into a discussion began by DeLuca regarding a letter allegedly written by James Mammone to the Canton Repository.

The context of this discussion centered around the newspapers' decision to publish the letter while disregarding the thoughts of the victims' family in the matter.

DeLuca theorized the letter was written in an attempt by the accused to form an insanity defense or validate a change of venue.

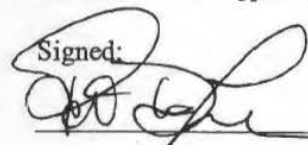
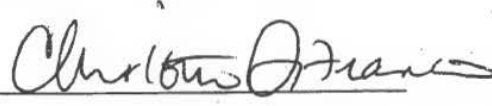

Again the point of taste was brought up. DeLuca remarked about how members of the victims' family organized on Facebook to try and petition the Repository not to publish the letters, but the newspaper decided to anyway without regard to the victims' feelings on the matter.

DeLuca remarked how tasteless it was to publish the letters and how he believed the decision was made to print the letters as a way to sell newspapers, which he stated was disgusting.

We then moved into music, and took a few phone calls from listeners who supported DeLuca's views. From approximately 6:43 AM until approximately 6:59 AM, roughly 3 phone calls were aired.

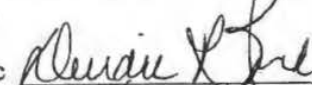
The discussion wrapped up at the top of the hour, and we moved on.

Signed:

County of Stark )  
 State of Ohio ) Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day  
 of November, 2009.

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MAMMONE TO FACE DEATH PENALTY, FOR EACH OF 3 CHARGES

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JAMES MAMMONE THE 3<sup>RD</sup>, COULD FACE THE DEATH PENALTY ...

THE CANTON FATHER – WHO CONFESSED TO KILLING HIS 2 CHILDREN, AND HIS EX-MOTHER-IN-LAW, EARLIER THIS MONTH ... WAS INDICTED ON THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED MURDER... WHICH MEANS JURORS WOULD BE ABLE TO CONSIDER THE DEATH PENALTY FOR EACH COUNT, IF MAMMONE'S CONVICTED.

PROSECUTORS AVOIDED A PRELIMINARY HEARING BY TAKING THE CASE DIRECTLY TO A GRAND JURY... AND ALSO AVOIDED RELEASING EVIDENCE AGAINST MAMMONE.

MAMMONE'S ALSO FACING AGGRAVATED BURGLARY, FIREARMS CHARGES, VIOLATING A PROTECTION ORDER AND ATTEMPTED ARSON... HE'S SET TO BE ARRAIGNED TOMORROW ... AND IS EXPECTED TO PLEAD NOT GUILTY.

062209 1. – 6AM/7:30AM

MAMMONE COMPLAINING ABOUT HIS JAIL FOOD

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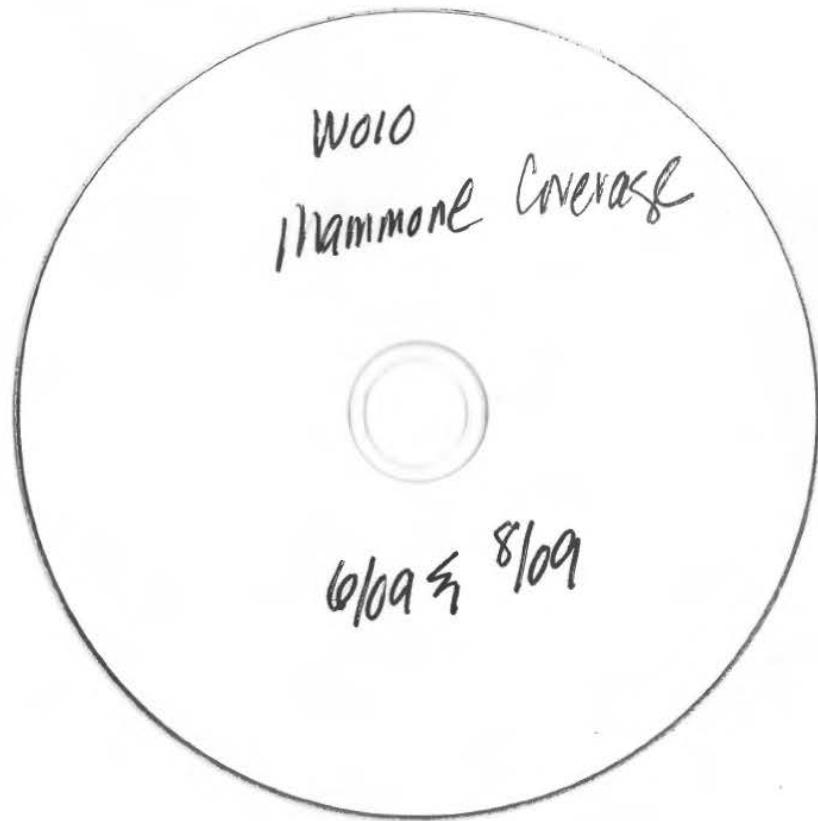
THE MAN WHO POLICE SAY CONFESSED TO KILLING HIS TWO KIDS AND FORMER MOTHER-IN-LAW.... IS COMPLAINING ABOUT THE FOOD HE'S GETTING IN JAIL.

DURING A HEARING AT THE STARK COUNTY JAIL ON FRIDAY, JAMES MAMMONE III COMPLAINED TO THE JUDGE, THAT HE'S HAVING PROBLEMS GETTING FOOD THAT FITS HIS STRICT VEGETARIAN DIET...

MAMMONE'S CHARGED WITH KILLING HIS TWO CHILDREN, AGES 3 AND 5, AND HIS FORMER MOTHER-IN-LAW ON JUNE 8.

CANTON POLICE HAVE SAID HE CONFESSED... AND WAS TRYING TO PUNISH HIS EX-WIFE, FOLLOWING THEIR RECENT DIVORCE.

BUT AS EXPECTED, MAMMONE PLED NOT GUILTY TO AGGRAVATED MURDER AND OTHER CHARGES... AND HE COULD FACETHE DEATH PENALTY.



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