

Weather: HANOVER, PA | Now: 61°F | High: 61°F | Low: 48°F | [5-Day Forecast](#)

Subscribe: [Print / Web](#) edition [Mobile Apps](#) [Mobile Edition](#) [Media Kit](#) [Place Ads](#)

Site  Web Search powered by **YAHOO!** SEARCH

- [Home](#)
- [News](#)
- [Business](#)
- [Obituaries](#)
- [Opinion](#)
- [Sports](#)
- [Entertainment](#)
- [Community](#)
- [Jobs](#)
- [Cars](#)
- [Real Estate](#)
- [Shopping](#)
- [Classifieds](#)

TEXT SIZE

## Pa. chief accused of having sex with crime victim

**The Associated Press**  
Posted: 04/24/2013 02:40:03 PM EDT

SCRANTON, Pa.—A northeastern Pennsylvania police chief was arrested Wednesday on witness intimidation and obstruction charges after authorities say he had sex with an alleged victim in a criminal case and told her not to tell anyone.

Scott Township Police Chief James Romano, 42, was arrested by agents of the Pennsylvania attorney general's office.

According to court documents, Romano had sex last month with a 20-year-old woman who was an alleged victim of a former band teacher who was accused of having sex with students. Romano was one of the arresting officers in that case.

Authorities said the woman sent Romano pictures depicting partial nudity before having sex with him on March 17. Also, they said, the chief provided the woman with confidential information about the probe and told her she was "his favorite victim."

When Romano found out the woman was going to be interviewed by a county detective who had learned of the chief's relationship with her, the chief instructed her to "just remember nothing about me," the criminal complaint said.

The woman texted him later, asking "... should I tell the truth?" and Romano replied "It would kill me," court documents said.

Romano was sent to the Lackawanna County prison on \$150,000 bail. He was suspended without pay last month after township supervisors learned of the investigation. It wasn't clear Wednesday afternoon if he had an attorney.

BOOKMARK Print Email Font Resize Return to Top



**Get email alerts**



### Comment on this article:

Post to Facebook    Posting as Norma Jean Almodovar (Not you?)   

Facebook social plugin

### loading... More

- [March, vigil held to raise violence awareness](#)
- [Park Service to host Pickett's Charge event](#)
- [Piney Creek church to celebrate 250 years](#)
- [McSherrystown seeks trash hauler](#)
- [Gettysburg woman, 74, gets probation in pill plea](#)

#### Most Viewed    Most E-Mailed

(From the last 12 hours)

1. Penn Township police seize \$11K in suspected heroin
2. Hanover pretzels go Hollywood
3. Pa. chief accused of having sex with crime victim
4. "The Gettysburg Story" film to premiere at Gettysburg Festival
5. Railside Diner closes doors, opening new locations

#### Top Classifieds

[HOMES](#)    [JOBS](#)    [RENTALS](#)    [AUTOS](#)

- Ford Expedition
- CHEVY CORVETTE
- 2011 Yamaha
- Model A
- Ford Expedition

[All Listings](#)

[Contact Us](#) | 
 [Customer Service](#) | 
 [Subscriber Billing](#) | 
 [Copyright](#) | 
 [Privacy Policy](#) | 
 [Site Map](#) | 
 [RSS](#) | 
 MY YAHOO!

[About Our Ads](#) | 
 [MNG Corporate Site Map](#) | 
 MediaNews Group WEBSITE

Copyright © 2013 MediaNews Group

