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## Authorities Searching for ‘Faucet Fanatic’

*Grove City man wanted on eight arrest warrants*

**COLUMBUS, OH**—A Central Ohio man who seemingly wakes up every day fixated on stealing high-end, water efficient kitchen and bathroom faucets has been named “Fugitive of the Week” by Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr.

Twenty-five-year-old Justin Daniel Snyder has taken his obsession with stealing *Delta*, *Pfister*, and *Moen* faucets to the extreme, stealing more than \$3800 worth of plumbing fixtures during a crime spree that has resulted in authorities issuing eight warrants for his arrest. Snyder was already on probation for stealing faucets on three previous occasions and earned his dubious nickname—the Faucet Fanatic—during a particularly hyper-kinetic stretch when he stole two faucets a day from the same home improvement store for seven consecutive days in April.

**“We are starting to see more ‘niche market’ serial thieves like this individual who are focusing on high volume thefts of very specific products,” said Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr.**

On March 18, 2016, Snyder stole two Delta faucets worth a total retail value of \$408 from a north side home improvement store. According to reports, Snyder entered the store and took the faucets from the shelf and proceeded to the return desk where he asked about returning the faucets. He then stated he forgot his ID and exited the store with the unpaid merchandise.

On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Snyder stole a Pfister Ashfield and Delta Trask faucet valued at \$651 from a Hilliard area home improvement store.

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Snyder stole two more Delta faucets from the same store, with the theft totaling \$493.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, Snyder stole another set of Delta faucets from the same store, this time the stolen merchandise was valued at \$438.

On April 25<sup>th</sup>, Snyder struck the same store for a fourth day in a row when he stole a Moen Motionsense and a Delta Olmstead faucet worth a total retail value of \$538.

On April 26<sup>th</sup>, Snyder struck the same store for a fifth day in a row when he stole a Delta Arc and a Delta Nyla faucet worth a total retail value of \$428.

On April 27<sup>th</sup>, Snyder struck the same store for a sixth day in a row when he stole a Delta Arc and a Delta Windmere Orb faucet worth a total retail value of \$438.

On April 28<sup>th</sup>, Snyder struck the same store for a seventh consecutive day when he stole a Delta Fuse and a Delta Windmere Orb faucet worth a total retail value of \$418.

**“It’s possible Mr. Snyder is some kind of fanatical faucet collector, but more likely he is selling them on the black market,” said First Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick. “He’s been doing this for a while so we really don’t know how many of these stolen faucets may have already made their way into the homes of unsuspecting Central Ohioans.”**

In addition to several counts of theft, Snyder’s past criminal record includes charges of felony receiving stolen property, criminal trespassing, and possession of controlled substances.

Anyone with information on Justin Daniel Snyder is asked to contact First Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick at 614.645.8874 or [brhedrick@columbus.gov](mailto:brhedrick@columbus.gov).

*Per state law, the Columbus City Attorney’s office prosecutes misdemeanor crimes, not felonies.*

# WANTED



**JUSTIN DANIEL  
SNYDER**

**DOB:** 7/7/1990 (Age 25)

**Height:** 5'9"   **Weight:** 200  
**Hair:** Brown   **Eyes:** Green

**Last Known Address:**  
6993 Ridpath Rd.  
Grove City, Ohio 43123

**Case Number(s):**  
2016 CRB 011409 | 2016 CRB 011410 | 2016 CRB 011439 | 2016 CRB 011440  
2016 CRB 011441 | 2016 CRB 011442 | 2016 CRB 011443 | 2016 CRB 011476

**Charge(s):**  
2313.02(A1) – Theft (eight counts)