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### The 'Paleo Diet Pilferer' Strikes Again

Man previously convicted for five hunter-gatherer heists risks being sent back to jail after latest theft

**COLUMBUS, OH**—A local man, who gained notoriety earlier this year after being dubbed the "Paleo Diet Pilferer" due to his penchant for stealing hundreds of dollars worth of red meat, has been named "Fugitive of the Week" by Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. for the second time this year.

Fifty-seven year old Ralph Reynolds, with a suspended jail sentence hanging over him and strict orders not to steal again following his conviction on five counts of theft in April, apparently couldn't resist the primal urge to stalk the grocery store meat aisles as though they were his own personal hunting grounds.

While the amount of meat he stole in his previous cases averaged close to \$150 each, he is accused of stealing four packages of ribs valued at \$43.34 in his latest theft.

Reynolds' methods remain about as sophisticated as a caveman's. According to reports, Reynolds took the ribs from the meat section of a northeast side grocery store, placed them under his coat, and then walked out of the store without paying.

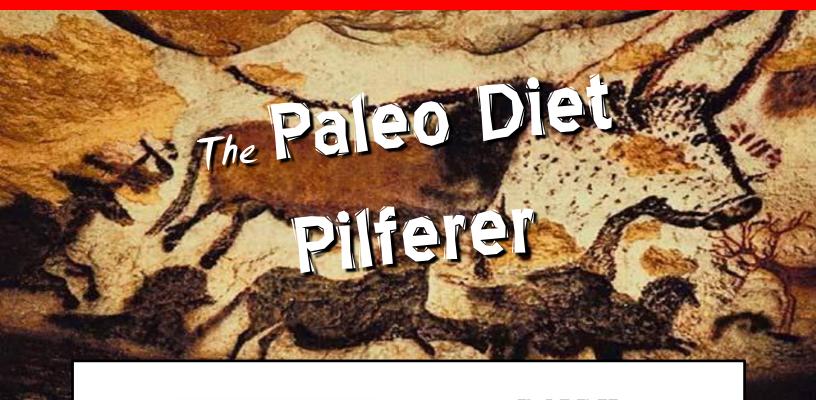
Authorities are uncertain why Reynolds would risk violating his probation and face serving the remainder of his suspended sentence in jail over a few slabs of ribs.

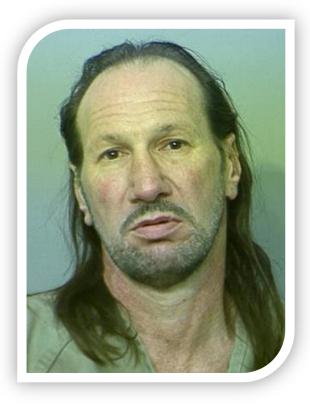
"I doubt Mr. Reynolds is overly concerned about the World Health Organization's recent warning about red meat, but the closest he's going to get to a protein-rich diet in jail is chicken patty Thursdays," said First Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick."

Reynolds has an extensive criminal record spanning more than two decades, including charges of drug trafficking, receiving stolen property, felony possession of cocaine, criminal trespassing, passing bad checks, disorderly conduct, falsification, obstructing official business, domestic violence, assault, and multiple counts of theft.

Anyone with information on Ralph Reynolds is asked to contact First Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick at 614.645.8874 or <a href="mailto:brhedrick@columbus.gov">brhedrick@columbus.gov</a>.

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## RALPH REYNOLDS

DOB: 4/17/1958 (Age 57) Height: 6'1" Weight: 215 Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown

**Last Known Address:** 2026 Sale Rd.

Columbus, Ohio 43224

#### **Case Numbers:**

2015 CRB 014672 | 2015 CRB 018366 2015 TRD 179041

### Charge(s):

2313.02 – Theft 2911.21 – Criminal Trespass 2141.11(A) – Driving Under Suspension