



U.S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration

MAY 14 2010

Case Number: 10-0166-F

Subject: ALL RECORDS, INCLUDING ELECTRONIC RECORDS, CONCERNING THE USE OF THE SOCIAL NET-WORKING WEBSITES (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FACEBOOK, MYSPACE, TWITTER, FLICKS AND OTHER ONLINE SOCIAL MEDIA) FOR INVESTIGATIVE (CRIMINAL OR OTHERWISE) ETC...

James Tucker
454 Shotwell Street
San Francisco, California 94110

Dear Mr. Tucker:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Act (FOI/PA) request letters dated October 7, 2009 addressed to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), FOI/Records Management Section, Operations Unit (SARO), seeking access to DEA records regarding the above subject. This letter amends our previous letter dated February 1, 2010 that informed you that no responsive records were found.

A supplemental search conducted after our letter of February 1, 2010, located the attached 23-page presentation titled "Social Networking" from the DEA Special Operations Division, Training Unit. 14 pages are released in full and 9 pages are released in part with redactions. No pages have been withheld in full. Redactions under Exemptions 6 and 7C were made to images and usernames on the 9 pages released in part, to safeguard against unwarranted invasions of personal privacy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katherine L. Myrick".

Katherine L. Myrick
Chief, Operations Unit
FOI/Records Management Section



Communities of People that Share Interests

SOCIAL NETWORKING



Biggest Networks

Top 25 Social Networks Re-Rank

(Ranked by Monthly Visits, Jan '09)




Rank	Site	UV	Monthly Visits	Previous Rank
1	facebook.com	68,557,534	1,191,373,339	2
2	myspace.com	58,555,800	810,153,536	1
3	twitter.com	5,979,052	54,218,731	22
4	ixster.com	7,645,423	53,389,974	16
5	linkedin.com	11,274,160	42,744,438	9
6	tagged.com	4,448,915	39,630,927	10
7	classmates.com	17,296,524	35,219,210	3
8	myyearbook.com	3,312,898	33,121,821	4
9	livejournal.com	4,720,720	25,221,354	6
10	meem.com	9,047,491	22,993,608	13
11	reunion.com	13,704,990	20,278,100	11
12	ring.com	5,673,549	19,511,682	23
13	blackplanet.com	1,530,329	10,173,342	7
14	bebo.com	2,997,929	9,849,137	5
15	hi5.com	2,398,323	9,416,265	8
16	yuku.com	1,317,551	9,353,966	21
17	cafemom.com	1,647,336	8,586,261	19
18	friendsster.com	1,568,439	7,279,050	14
19	xanga.com	1,831,376	7,009,577	20
20	360.yahoo.com	1,490,057	5,199,702	12
21	orkut.com	494,464	5,081,235	15
22	urbanchat.com	329,041	2,961,250	24
23	fubar.com	452,090	2,170,315	17
24	asianmtn.net	81,245	1,118,245	25
25	tickle.com	96,155	109,492	18



Example of a MySpace Account



Tom

can't wait for Toy Story 3! <http://lnk.ms/008PH> Mood: 




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










 www.myspace.com/tom

-  Send Message
-  Add to Friends
-  Add Comment

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- Percussion Gun by whiterabbitstans...  
- Saviour (Album... by LIGHTS  
- Crawl Back In (by Dead By Sunrise  
- Percussion Gun by WHITE RABBITS  
- Come Saturday by The Pains of Bel...  
- All For Love (R... by Savane Ryder  

Status and Mood

Tom Anderson can't wait for Toy Story 3! <http://lnk.ms/008PH>

Mood: 

Posted at 3:02 PM Oct 12

Tom Anderson Heard about Paranormal Activity? The movie terrified midnight audiences. If you want to see it demand it in your town at: <http://lnk.ms/2y0g7>

Mood: 


Posted at 1:53 PM Oct 8

Tom Anderson this video is pretty good, let me know what you think...<http://lnk.ms/2vHnd>

Mood: 

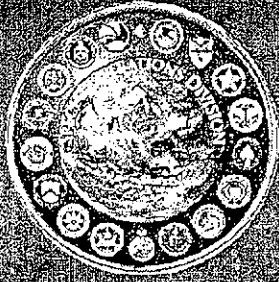
Posted at 6:50 PM Oct 7

Tom Anderson Congrats, Khloe and Lamar...what do you all think about it? <http://lnk.ms/03DSY>

Mood: 

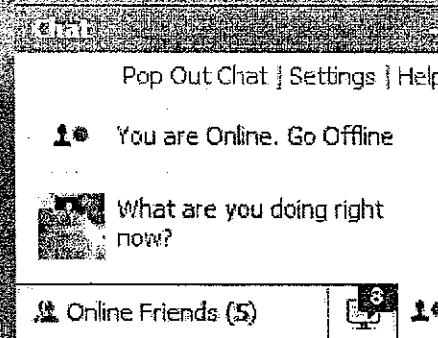
Posted at 4:00 PM Oct 2

Tom Anderson Check out LIGHTS! Watch this Mini-Documentary on her. Her new cd is out 10/6



Social Networking Site Features

- Email type messages
- Instant Messaging
- Photo / Video Sharing
- Blog posts
- Ability to mark profile as private





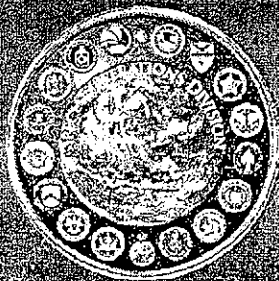
Three Basic Criminal Uses

- **Recruitment**
 - What age group are you targeting?
 - Go where they are
- **Intimidation**
 - Send broad messages to your rivals and possible informants
- **Operations**
 - Private profiles provide powerful collaboration platform



Social Networking in use

- Fugitive on the run
- Associates state they have not seen the fugitive
- MySpace, YouTube and other social network web sites were examined for profiles belonging to the fugitive and known associates
- The following video was posted to the YouTube profile of one of the suspect's associates the day AFTER being questioned about the whereabouts of the suspect



Examination of YouTube Profile Belonging to Fugitive's Friend



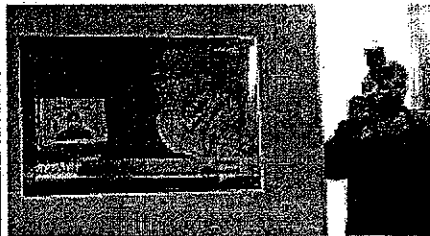
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Islamic extremists coaxed to YouTube

Wed Dec 3, 2008 12:34pm EST

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WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Islamic extremists are being instructed on how to use the popular video-sharing site YouTube as a way to disseminate propaganda videos, a U.S.-based terrorism monitor said on Tuesday.

Militants are being encouraged to use the online site through postings on other Islamic forums on the Internet, according to the SITE Intelligence Group.

Last week, an extremist authored step-by-step instructions on posting video to YouTube, which he described as "one of the most famous and biggest international sites that publish sections of videos from all over the world."

The posting encourages readers to post scenes of Western forces coming under attack to, it says, "shame the Crusaders by publishing clips of videos showing their losses, which they hid for a long time."

Islamic extremists have long used the Internet as a tool to communicate with supporters and distribute propaganda but the latest posting specifically coaxes militants toward YouTube and touts it as a user-friendly tool.

"I say that the YouTube site is one of the easiest sites to record and upload the clips," the posting states, pointing readers to the software they might need to publish on the Internet.




Example of a YouTube Account

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Subscribers: 9
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I say regardless of this humiliation we proclaim

So let all creation hear and mankind listen closely to us.

If the night of pain is prolonged and wounded ummah becomes sleepless.

The breaking of dawn is coming and rising of the sun of honor is near

And the night of shame shall vanish.

We shall bring back the life on horror once more.

And we shall defeat those who disbelieve.

We shall build palaces of glory up high with its pillars the sunnah and qur'an

And we shall take pride in the quran at a time, when the people take pride in immorality and shame.

And we shall draw a map for islam, with it's borders honor, victory and establishment.


In an awakening of youth on whom the qur'an bestowed the dress of bravery not cowardice.

In their slogans is esteem and their word is a lesson

Age: 26
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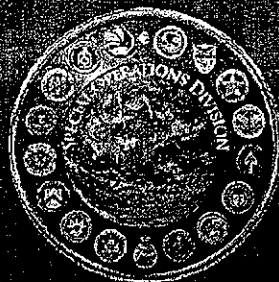


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Myspace is "terrorist recruiting ground"

Kids like pizza, the mall and the overthrow of America

By Nick Farrell: Wednesday, 17 May 2006, 6:37 AM

A WRITER on Muslim terrorism in the United States claims that Myspace is the latest recruiting ground for al-Qaida backed groups.

Laura Mansfield, who has penned "One Nation under Allah" which includes her "undercover work" in US mosques to establish the terrorist threat in small town America, has suddenly focused her attention on MySpace.

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Gangs Turn To Social Networking Sites To Recruit

- Web Extra: YouTube Spokesperson On Gang Material
- CBS 5 CrimeWatch



Reporting

(CBS 5) Young people who visit social networking sites to download music and pictures glorifying criminal street gangs can unwittingly set themselves up to be recruited by those gangs, according to law enforcement officials and youth counselors.



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Recent Activity

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who say: Our Lord!.....give us from Thee a guardian..a helper"-the Holy Quran (4:75) "

Male
21 years old
columbia, md
UNITED SNAKES OF AMERIKKKA, MARYLAND
United States

Last Login:
12/6/2008

Mood: working
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Contacting

MySpace URL:
myspace.com/

Interests

General astaghfirullah, i am muslim, charging interest is forbidden

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...LONG LIVE THE AL-AQSA INTIFADAH!!!



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Hill, Minnesota
United States

Last Login: 12/27/2008

Read: 100%
New Post: 100%

Contacting [V. / MS13 V. /](#)

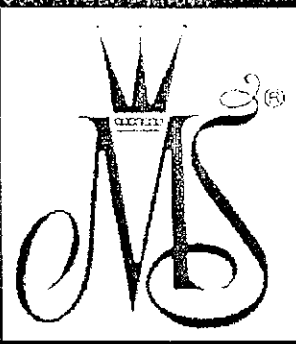
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- Add to Favorites
- IM / Call
- Block User
- Add to Group
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General: I love to know each other.
Voted: 100%



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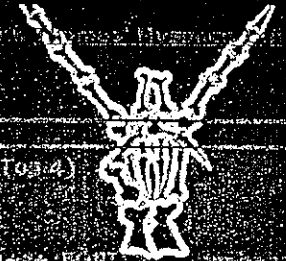
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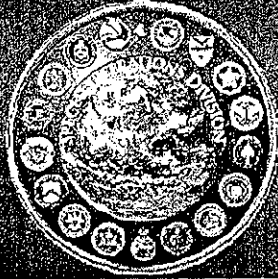
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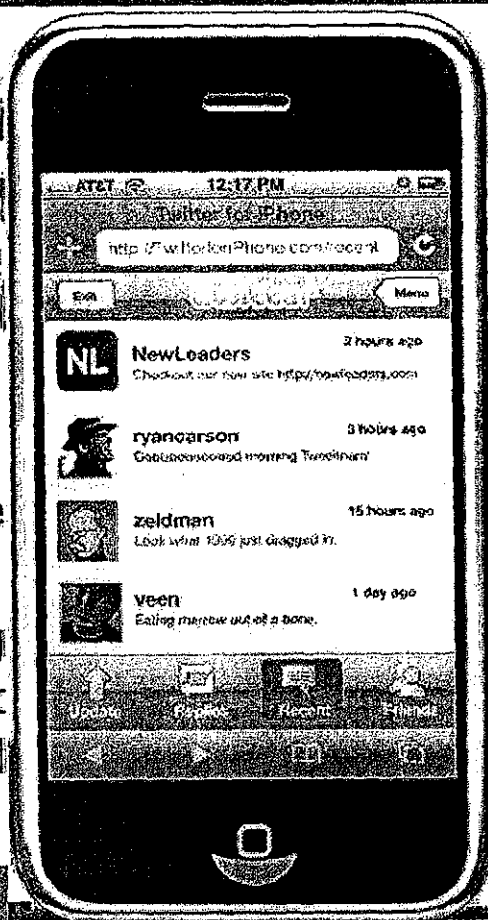
All Online New



Twitter.com

Twitter helps G... elude police

- "Arrest teams are approach protesters on Marion bridge are told they'll be met with..."
- "Protestors are now fighting reports of violence now."
- "Western Ave. bridge, we can be safely crossed."
- "I didn't see safe message everyone, so I assume someone are face down on the bridge being sent to jail."



Protesters organize,

...ts'? US Army warns of Twitter dangers

...se of Twitter could evolve over time to reflect tactics that are already evolving... activists for surveillance," it said. "This could theoretically be combined with

...enarios in which militants could make use of Twitter, combined with such... ps or cell phone pictures or video, to carry out an ambush or detonate

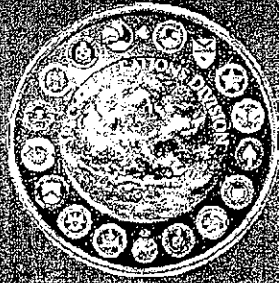
...terrorists could theoretically use Twitter social networking in the US as an operation tool," it said. "However, it is unclear whether that same theoretical tool would be available to terrorists in other countries and to what extent."





How Do We Investigate?

- Same as any other service
 - Subscriber
 - Payment method
 - Connection Log
 - Also may be able to recover “private” content only shared among those chosen by page owner



YouTube Visualizer

– <http://www.lococitato.com/ytvisualizer/tryonline.html>

YT Visualizer Demo

Mapping Social Networks

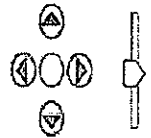
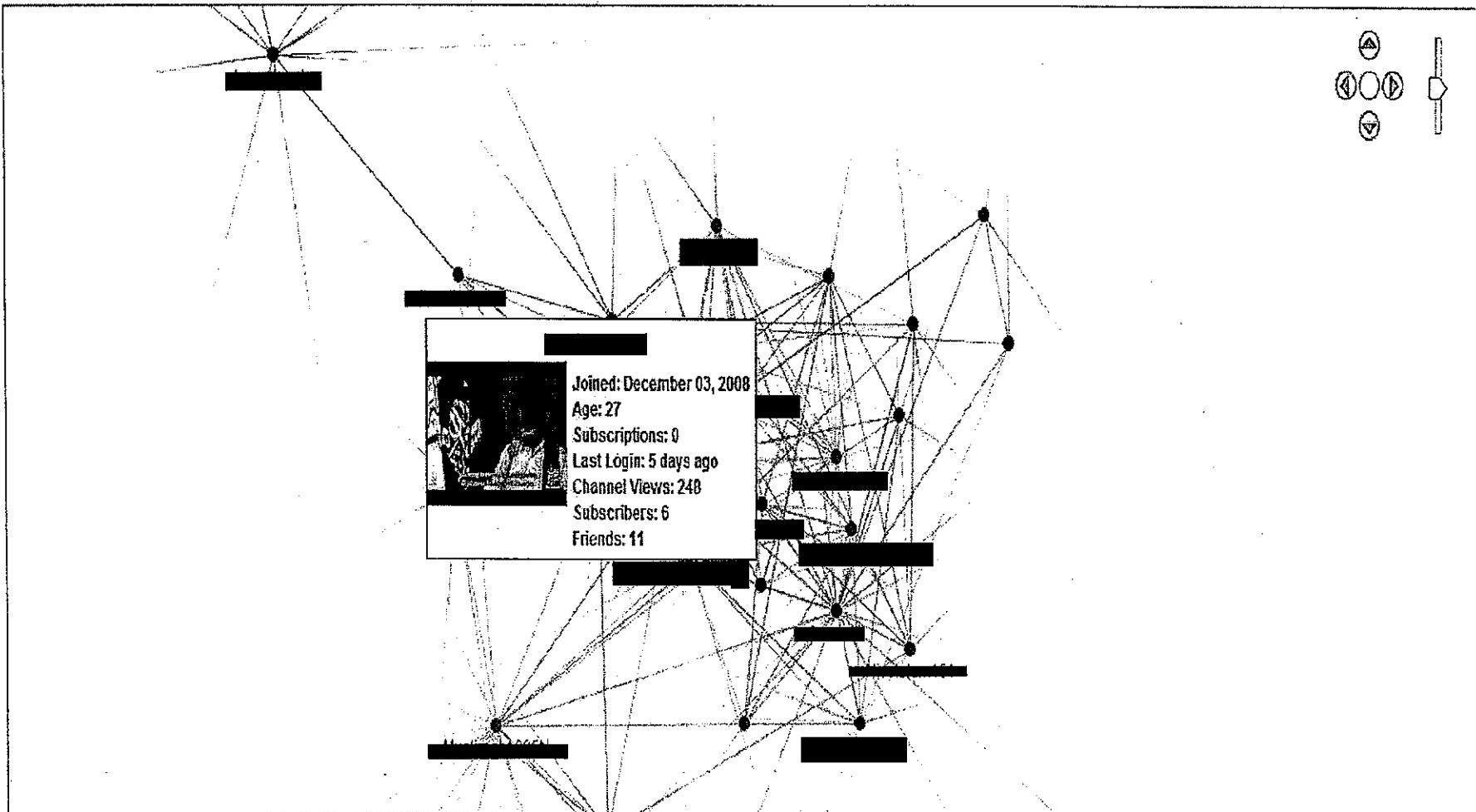
Generate animated click-able maps of the relationships between YouTube users.

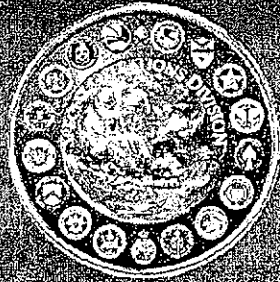
Constructs networks based on YouTube user's subscribers, subscriptions and friends.



YouTube Visualizer

User Name (Ctrl+v pastes)



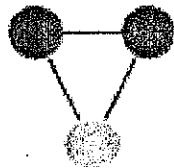


MySpace Tools & Resources

- MySpace Visualizer

— <http://www.lococitato.com/myspacefriends/myspacefriends.html>

MySpace Visualizer



This tool generates animated clickable maps of the relationships between MySpace users.

We have **vastly** improved the mapper engine and now you can download it as a free desktop application to map and search more pages. You can also purchase a license to unlock even more features.

Requires Java to run.

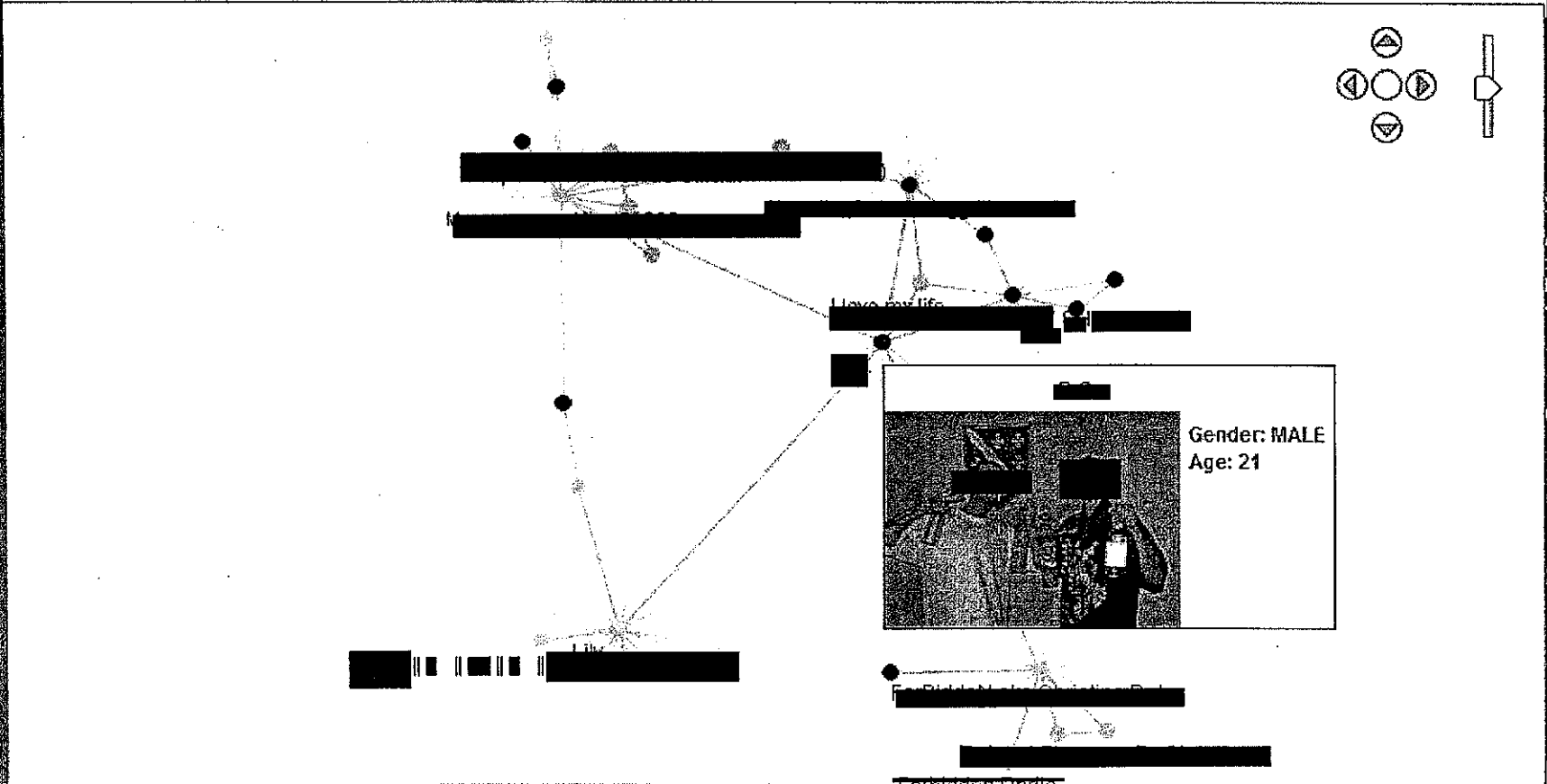


MySpace Visualizer

Settings Examples DOWNLOAD

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MySpace Tools & Resources



- **Myspace Profile Picture Viewer**

– <http://www.viewmyspacephoto.com/>

Go to the profile

Look for the number like below

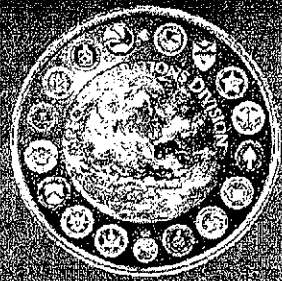
Paste Address somewhere

 <http://profile.myspace.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=user.viewprofile&friendid=> 

Paste it into the below box That's IT!

Enter the User's FriendID

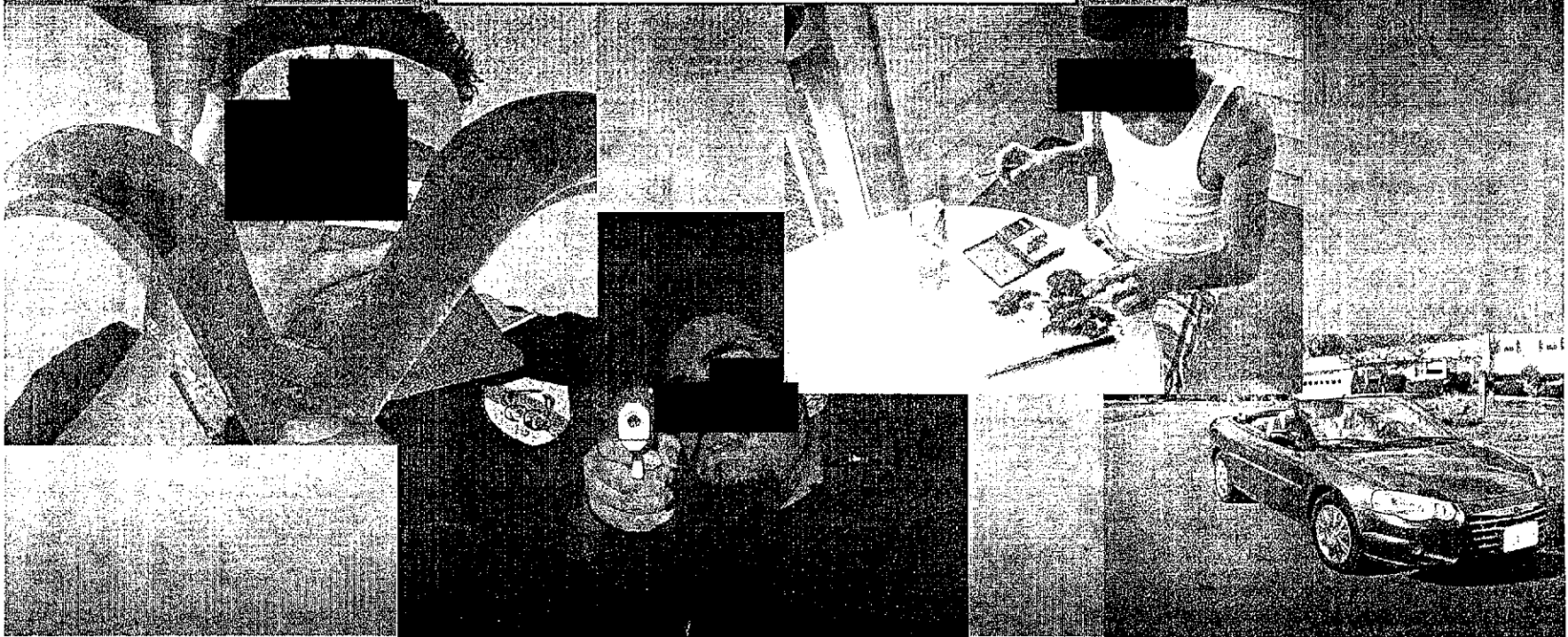
- TIP: The FriendID can also be found by mousing over the photo associated with their Myspace account.



Myspace Private Profile Picture Viewer

- **Myspace Private Profile Picture Viewer**
– <http://www.viewmyspacephoto.com/>

Private Pictures: 420



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