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A Milford doctor was sentenced Tuesday to 36 months in prison.

James J. Kelly II, 49, pleaded guilty in September before U.S. District Judge David M. Lawson to one charge of possession of child pornography. He is in custody, said Gina Balaya, spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Detroit.

Kelly fled the country in February after Milford police said they found child pornography on his computer. He was apprehended in May in Portugal.

State charges against him were dismissed, but federal authorities continued the prosecution.

Kelly is an anesthesiologist who worked at hospitals around the state on a contract basis. His medical license was suspended by the Michigan Department of Community Health.

OAK PARK: Official says building fire is under investigation

Investigators are assessing the damage from a fire Tuesday in a building that houses two office furniture businesses. They're trying to determine its cause, said John McNeilance, director of public safety for the city.

He said no one was injured. The building is on 11 Mile between Coolidge and Greenfield, and the fire was confined to the front office area.

Berkley and Southfield police closed 11 Mile and diverted traffic as firefighters fought the blaze.

PONTIAC: Sheriff's Office has new bomb-sniffing K-9 deputy

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office now has a new K-9 deputy trained to sniff out bombs.

Yeager, a 1 1/2 -year-old male German shepherd trained in bomb detection, handler protection and tracking lost or missing persons, was sworn in Nov. 29.

The department's former bomb dog, the male German shepherd Rocko, retired Nov. 28 after nine years.

There are 15 dogs in the sheriff's K-9 unit, including Yeager.

ROYAL OAK: Dream Cruise brings in \$108,500 in sponsorships

The city earned about \$108,500 in sponsorships and other revenue during the Woodward Dream Cruise while the Aug. 17 event cost the city about \$104,000, Finance Director Don Johnson reported to the city's commissioners Monday .

Total expenses could be as high as \$120,000 if related costs such as police overtime for the week before the Dream Cruise are included, Mayor Jim Ellison said Tuesday.

Officials at the meeting expressed concern that Southfield-based Eaton Automotive had cancelled its Royal Oak sponsorship for the 2009 Dream Cruise. This year, the company paid Royal Oak \$30,000 to use Memorial Park at 13 Mile and Woodward, said Recreation and Public Service Director Greg Rassel.

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