

WyGant pleads not guilty to kiddie porn charges

Former South Lake Tahoe fire Capt. Mark WyGant pleaded not guilty Friday afternoon in U.S. District Court to charges related to child pornography.

The 44-year-old Chico resident faces six charges involving sexual exploitation and attempted sexual exploitation of minors.

Days after his Jan. 29 arrest he resigned from the department. A thumb drive with thousands of pictures of young girls as well as videos of them was discovered in a locker at the station where WyGant worked.

He remains in federal custody in Sacramento.

– *Lake Tahoe News staff report*